

TYNEMET BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Annual General Meeting – Part 2

Sunday 8 August 2021, 10.30am

Venue – Vertu Motors Arena, Scotswood Road (free parking for our meeting)

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Minutes

1. **Apologies for absence** – Simon Lathbury, CSSC teams

2. **Member motion from Neil Rogers (Northumbrian Nomads/Area Registrar) – see Motion 1 [Neil Rogers]**

Following a prolonged debate of this motion, voting took place with the following outcomes:

For = 2; Against = 24; Abstentions = 1

This motion was **not carried**.

3. **Election of Officers for 2021-22 [Chair]**

The following were **unanimously approved** by the meeting:

- a. Chairperson – JonPaul Heron
- b. Secretary – Bethany Honour
- c. Treasurer – Neil Rogers
- d. Registrar – Neil Rogers
- e. Fixtures Coordinator – Phil Darling
- f. Disciplinary Secretary – Malcolm Holmes + election of 2021-22 Disciplinary Committee (3+1)
[Anth Dawson, Steve Johnson, Howard Lawrence, David Palmer + Stu McGurk as reserve]
- g. Appointments Officer – Stu Rennie (as the named Exec Officer) with support of Dave Vincent
- h. Website Officer – Keith Harrison

4. **Constitutional changes & changes to the Code of Conduct (see separate documents) [Chair]**

All previously circulated changes to the league's Constitution were **unanimously approved**.

All previously circulated changes to the league's Code of Conduct were **unanimously approved**.

5. **2021-22 season structure (see separate document) [Chair]**

a) **Entry of new teams to TML**

The expansion of Kenton Club to include a third league team and Cardinals Club to include a second team were **unanimously welcomed** by league members.

Following information being shared by members of a new Club, Newcastle Vikings, members **unanimously accepted** their application for entry to the TyneMet League.

b) **Update on referee availability to service TML games**

Following a good piece of work by Neil Rogers over the last few weeks in contacting individual referees, it was reported that there appeared to be a surfeit of referee availability for the coming season. This was unanimously welcomed by the meeting with the usual caveats around illness, holidays and so on.

c) **Decision on those teams not meeting the referee quota in the 2019-20 season**

d) **Decision on division structure**

Items c and d were taken together in discussion by the meeting. It was noted that Phoenix Daze are unlikely to be able to field a team in Division 3 in the coming season but that a new Club at Biddick may gain approval for court use at the school in early September. **It was agreed** that fixtures for Biddick

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should be included in the first draft of 2021-22 fixtures, but with home and away games not beginning until October. Similarly, NorPol's home fixtures should not be scheduled before October (both clubs share the same venue).

It was **further agreed** that those teams that currently have no qualified referee would be given one final season of 'grace' to achieve this in preparation for the 2022-23 season, and that unattached referees may attach themselves to such teams for the coming 2021-22 season only.

It was finally **agreed** that the next Executive Committee should further review paragraph 18 of the TML Constitution in preparation for an **Extraordinary General Meeting** to be held in advance of the scheduled league meeting in September.

6. Member motion from Neil Rogers (Northumbrian Nomads/Area Registrar) – see Motion 2 [Neil Rogers]

Following a brief debate of this motion, voting took place with the following outcomes:

For = 10; Against = 12; Abstentions = 3

This motion was **not carried**.

A counter proposal was made that a maximum of TWO refereeing duties should be awarded to each Executive Committee Officer for EACH ROLE that s/he delivers which will count towards their attached team's refereeing commitments for the season. Voting took place with the following outcomes:

For = 11; Against = 7; Abstentions = 8

This motion was **carried**.

7. Subsequent agreement of number of refereeing duties coverable by each TEAM for the 2021-22 season (para 18 of the League's Constitution) [Chair]

It was **agreed** that this matter would be **deferred** to the Extraordinary General Meeting of the league as per agenda item 5 above.

8. Dates of next meetings (2021-22 season – see below) [Chair]

The following was **unanimously agreed** as the meeting schedule for 2021-22:

League meeting Tuesday 14 September 2021, time and venue tbc
[TML competitions begin **Monday 20 September**]

Exec meeting Tuesday 16 November 2021, time and venue tbc

League meeting Sunday 12 December 2021, time and venue tbc

Exec meeting Tuesday 22 February 2022, time and venue tbc

League meeting Sunday 13 March 2022, time and venue tbc

Exec meeting Tuesday 19 April 2022, time and venue tbc
[2hrs to begin prep for AGMs]

Exec meeting Tuesday 17 May 2022, time and venue tbc
[1hr to finalise AGMs]

Handicap Cup and Plate Finals Sunday 29 May 2022, time and venue tbc

Annual General Meetings Wednesday 8 June 2022, time and venue tbc

All agendas will be circulated at least seven calendar days in advance of all meetings; minutes from meetings will be circulated within 14 calendar days of each meeting.

Meeting closed at 12.05pm.