

AGM Minutes 15.05.2022

Committee Members Present: Pete, Leah, Jenny, Vicky D, Mark, Di, Ellie

Apologies: Andy, Vicky L

Meeting opened: 11:07am

Minutes of the previous AGM (06.05.2021) read by Leah (approved by Vicky D, Jenny).

Resignation of Current Committee Members

- Vicky D to resign as CPU officer
- Ellie to resign as vice treasurer but will continue as membership secretary

Appointment of Chairperson

Pete (re-)appointed as Chairman (approved by Mark & Jenny).

Appointment of New Committee Members

- Clare Atkins (approved by Di & Mark)
- Di Thomas (already a current committee member) to take over the role of CPU officer (approved by Vicky D & Leah)

Chairperson's Report

- Thanks to all skaters, coaches and committee for all your support and help over the last year.
- Lessons on a Sunday morning have been starting at 10am, but will now start at 9.45am. Please ensure that you arrive on time for the session. The lessons will then run until no later than 10.45am, allowing time for fun skating and/or basic dance until 11am.
- Please pay any outstanding fees by the date specified by Vicky D, so that she doesn't need to chase people for money. If you are in financial difficulties, please let Vicky D know so that she can speak to people individually and confidentially.

Treasurer's Report (see Appendix 1)

- At the end of March 2021, the club had a total bank balance of £1073.75.
- At the end of March 2022, the club has a total of £5055. This includes a few Thursday session payments, which have been pre-paid by skaters in advance for April.
- The club has made a large profit this year, but we are a non-profit organisation. The club only needs a buffer of around £2500 in the bank account to ensure that we can cover all costs (which are often paid in advance), and in case of an emergency. Any additional profit made is put back into the running of the club (e.g., coaches' expenses, teaching equipment, music system, administration costs, etc.).
- Based on this, we have around £1000 excess. The committee would like to spend this on something and are looking to its club members for suggestions. Current ideas include paying GBSA memberships for competitive skaters, a new music system, a club social event and/or a GoPro (for training purposes). If anyone has any other ideas, please let Vicky D know ASAP.

Secretary's Report

Constitution amendments:

- Amendment of item 11) of the Club's constitution approved:
 - Item previously read: "The quorum for committee meetings shall be six committee members."
 - Approved change: "The quorum for committee meeting shall be more than 50% of committee members."
- Additional approved change: Any sentence including the term 'FARS' will be amended to include the term 'GBSA', due to the governing body changing their official title.

Coach's Report

- Thanks to Pete, Vicky, Leah & Mike for all their help and support with basic skills coaching.
- We have four trainee coaches who have started/are due to start their basic skills training.
- New GBSA basic skills levels will be introduced in the next year. This will likely mean a change in lesson content and structure, and grade testing.

- A new medal test structure has been introduced. Five skaters are taking dance tests next weekend. There will therefore be no dance training session next Sunday (22.05.2022).
- Anyone interested in competing please speak to Jenny.
- Thursday night competition training has been split by standard. The 6-7pm session (novice) is currently full to capacity. If we take on any new competitors, the structure of Thursday night session would need to be reassessed.
- Club kit should be worn for training where possible.
- Please follow the dress code whilst training (this includes covered midriffs). This has been designed with the safety of skater in mind.
- Leah has agreed to coach in Jenny's place when she is unable. The session on 29th will be for competitors only and will run from 10am – 12pm.

Competition Report

- Upcoming competitions: Elite (21st August), Moonrakers (4th September) and Bolton (18th-19th September).
- Future GBSA competitions are likely to be held in Great Yarmouth. Field moves are required, which skaters are working on with Lewis at his Saturday night free skating sessions. They are aiming to do these in competition in 2023.
- If the Moonrakers competition goes ahead on 4th September, the session on Sunday 28th August will not be cancelled as part of the club's usual summer shutdown.

Child Protection Report

- There is a new child protection policy on the GBSA website. They have included a dress code, and what to do if you have any child protection concerns. Adopted as club policy by majority vote. Pete will add a link to the policy to the Club's website.
- The NSPCC website is a source of information for any parents/skaters should they have any concerns.
- Please don't take photos/videos of skaters without prior permission from a coach. Even when permission has been granted, please ensure that only paid-up members of the club are photographed.
- If anyone sees anyone behaving suspiciously on or around the skating floor (including on the viewing balcony), please let one of the coaches or committee members know immediately.

AOB

- Thank you to the committee members and coaches of the club for all their hard work in keeping the club running.

Meeting closed: 11:46am

Appendix 1: Treasurer's Report

Outgoings

Hall fees - £5737.17

Insurance - £243.40

SumUp fees - £48.75

FARS affiliation - £50

Coaches' expenses - £70

Miscellaneous - £50

TOTAL: £6149.32

Profit - £3971.25

TOTAL in account and closing balance for 21/22:

£5055.00