# MINUTES OF YCBA MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH JULY 2022 BY ZOOM COMMENCING AT 7PM.

**PRESENT**: Nick Woolven (Chairman), Phil Godfrey (Vice-Chairman), Dani Hyman (Secretary) Lesley Millet (Treasurer), David Guild, Pauline Stout, Ron Millet and Stephen Cordingley.

# 1. APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Apologies were received from Graham Jepson and Robin Jepson and there was no declaration of interest

## 2. MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING ON 16TH MARCH 2022 AND THE 2022 AGM

There was a typo in Any Other Business which DH will correct. The minutes for both the Board meeting and AGM were approved.

## 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NW stated that he believes that the hybrid AGM worked successfully and is of the opinion that hybrid meetings are the way forward. It was agreed to propose that the constitution be amended to allow for proxy votes to ensure that the meeting would be quorate. It was also agreed to compile a technological wish list to prepare for next year's AGM.

The Member's meeting was confirmed for the 19th November 2022 at a venue to be confirmed.

# 4. CONFIRMATION OF COUNTY YOUTH OFFICER AND MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

NW to speak to Rowena White and ask if she would be happy to continue as County Youth Officer.

David Guild was reappointed as Membership Secretary.

## 5. COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

#### **Tournament Committee**

Chairman (NW), Vice-Chairman (PG), Assistant Secretary (RJ), Treasurer (LM), P Stout, S Cordingley and R Millet. (Secretary invited to attend as required).

#### Bridge Development

L Millet (Chair), N Woolven, P Godfrey, R Millet, D Guild and S Cordingley

#### Conduct Committee

R Jepson (Chair): Co-opted Members: D Lewis, D Waxman and E Latham

#### **Disciplinary Committee**

P Godfrey (Chair): Co-opted Members: Diana and R Abrahams

## Yorkshire League Committee

R Jepson and N Woolven: Co-opted Members: M Jackson (Chair)

## Appeals Committee

S Davies, D Lewis (Chair) and J O'Sullivan.

NW to speak to Sandy Davies and ask if she will agree to join the committee

#### Selection Committee A

Committee are still to be agreed. Suggestions were put forward and PG will speak to them. PG will send the selection criteria to the webmaster to ensure that this is published on the website.

### Selection Committee B & C

Committee still to be agreed. Thanks were given to Janet Latham for ensuring that the B and C teams were represented at the Northern League. JL is happy to continue on the committee but requires support. It was agreed to contact club Secretaries and Match Secretaries inviting them to put players forward for selection.

## 6. APPOINTMENT OF EBU SHAREHOLDERS

D Guild, P Stout, L Millet and N Woolven were appointed as EBU Shareholders

## 7. CO-OPTION TO THE MANAGEMENT BOARD VACANCY

It was agreed that NW would contact Tim Emmott and ask him if he would agree to be coopted to the Board. NW also advised that this was his last year as Chair as he intended to step down as Chair at the next AGM. It was agreed that a succession planning meeting was required.

# 9. CONFIRMATION OF PERSONS INVITED TO ATTEND FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

It was agreed that Graham Jepson would be invited to all future Board meetings.

## 10. PROPOSAL TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE CONSTITUTION

RM and RJ's proposal to review and update the constitution was approved, DH will assist with the review. As part of the review of the constitution, it was agreed to investigate a revolving Chairmanship.

## 11. MANAGEMENT OF WEBSITE

It was proposed that Tim Emmott be asked if they would be prepared to act as a conduit between the committee and the webmaster. DG will also speak to Jim Edwards and ask if he would act as a back-up to Andrew Pearson. Thanks were given to AP for the work that he was doing with the website.

## 12. DATE OF NEXT TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The date of the next meeting was agreed to be held on Tuesday 2nd August at 7pm via Zoom. DH to communicate the date to the members of the TC.

## 13. COMMUNICATION RECEIVED RELATING TO NBL

It was agreed that we need to communicate with the NBL a lot earlier. It was proposed and agreed that the communication was referred to the TC for discussion.

## 14. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE'S DECISION AND PENALTIES NOTE

RM advised that a decision had been made regarding the disciplinary action made against a YCBA member. The individual chose not to be present and wasn't happy with the decision, and the de-facto appeal has gone to the EBU. The individual has been banned from all YCBA competitions for two years and this ruling doesn't apply to clubs. The DC felt that clubs should be made aware of the ruling as well as a summary on the website. NW advised that the defendant rang him and has accepted the ruling and has chosen to step back from bridge. The DC's proposal was agreed to, but the communication needs to be clearly made to the clubs. RM will draft the proposed wording and NW will approve it. Thanks were given to RM for agreeing to sit on the DC.

# 15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Teaching - DG advised that there will be a teaching push in September and there may need to have the budget increased to  $\pm 5,000$ . DG also stated that a Development Committee meeting needed to happen ASAP and a meeting was arranged for the 20th July at 11.30am.

EBU - It was agreed to write to the EBU on behalf of the shareholders with regards to the proposal of changing a full audit to an assurance review.

## 16. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Tournament Committee - Tuesday 2nd August at 7.00 pm online by Zoom Management Board Succession Planning - Tuesday 25th October at 7.00pm online by Zoom Management Board - Saturday 19th November at 10.00 pm venue tbc

Signed .....

Dated ...... 2022