



**NLD RFU  
MINUTES OF THE (VIRTUAL) NLD AGM  
HELD ON MONDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2021  
VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING CALL**



Steve Allford (SA) opened the meeting at 7.02pm and welcomed everyone.

Steve asked for a moment of reflection to remember absent friends who had passed away during the season. In particular:-

Dan Sutton	West Bridgford
Karl Bartsch	Bingham
John 'Joris' Gladstone	Hope Valley
Bernard Hurley	Worksop
Jonathan Boulding	Worksop
Alex James	Worksop
Judith Hopkinson	Worksop
David Allen	Matlock
Ray Williams	Matlock
Paul Henson	Keyworth
Terry Baker	Keyworth
Noel Aspil	Stamford
Al Rust	Stamford
Roger Cole	Mellish
Ernest Egglenton	Mellish
Peter Egglenton	Mellish
Bob Molloy	Mellish

<b>1</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	
	<p>Please see attached appendix for attendees.</p> <p>Apologies received from:-          John Perry &amp; Chris Packer – Bingham          Malcolm Yates &amp; Samuel Yates – Scunthorpe          Malcolm Ross          Mason Cole          Bob Knowles – Mellish          Andrew Fearn - Newark</p>	
<b>2</b>	<b>MINUTES OF THE 2020 GENERAL MEETING</b>	
	All agreed as true and accurate reflection.	
<b>3</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</b>	
	No matters arising.	
<b>4</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM THE MANAGEMENT AND SUB COMMITTEES</b>	

	Reports were sent out prior to the meeting. SA invited questions, of which there were none.	
<b>5</b>	<b>FINANCIAL REPORT 2019-20</b>	
	RC presented financial report which was circulated prior to meeting. No questions from the meeting.	
<b>6</b>	<b>ELECTION OF OFFICERS &amp; OFFICIALS FOR SEASON 2021-22</b>	
	<p>The Officers:  <i>The Honorary President (NLD RFU) Mr D Andrews</i></p> <p><i>Chair of the Management Committee Mr J Mapp (Director)</i></p> <p><i>Honorary Secretary Mr Darren Dolby (Director)</i></p> <p><i>Honorary Treasurer Mr Richard Carpenter (Director)</i></p> <p>Elected Officials:  <i>Honorary Ass. Secretary – Discipline Mr A Statham</i>  <i>Honorary Ass. Secretary – Membership Mr M Waplington</i></p> <p>Other Statutory Director: <i>Mrs J Dyer</i></p> <p><i>All officials proposed by: Leslie Law</i>  <i>Seconded by: David Heath</i></p> <p>SA stepped down as President and handed over to incoming President, Dave Andrews who took over chairing the meeting.</p> <p>Dave expressed thanks to Steve for his hard work, good humour and resilience through a most difficult, 2 year Presidency, in light of COVID-19. The meeting echoed thanks.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>NOTIFICATION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR SEASON 2021-22</b>	
	Notification of Management Committee was sent out prior to AGM. No questions or comments from the meeting.	
<b>8</b>	<b>SETTING OF SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR 2021-22</b>	
	Due to club and individual subs remaining unchanged for many years, the rates are out of date and various different amounts are being received. RC suggested a	

	<p>flat rate of £40+VAT for clubs and £20+VAT for individuals.  <i>Proposed by: Steve Allford</i>  <i>Secoded by: David Chamberlin</i></p>	
<b>9</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY AUDITOR</b>	
	<p>Continue with Duncan &amp; Toplis  <i>Proposed by: Dave Andrews</i>  <i>Secoded by: Mike Waplington</i></p>	
<b>10</b>	<b>THE FUTURE ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT OF RUGBY ADMINISTRATION WITHIN THE NLD</b>	
	<p>DD referred to the documents regarding the re-structure that were circulated prior to the meeting, and suggested that the new structure be adopted from now on.  <i>Proposed by: David Heath</i>  <i>Secoded by: Phil Cass</i></p> <p>DA noted that the new structure has several vacancies within it, so new volunteers will need to be recruited to fill these roles. He asked all attendees to look within their clubs to try and identify any suitable/interested parties who may respond to role adverts.</p>	
<b>11</b>	<b>TO APPROVE LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF NLD ON DAVID CHAMBERLIN AND TRACY EDMUNDSON</b>	
	<p>David 'Chammy' Chamberlin is stepping down as Chair after many years of valuable involvement with the NLD, in various roles. Tracy Edmundson also stepped down last year after years of service in roles including, most recently, Honorary Secretary. It is suggested that they both be awarded Life Membership of the NLD in recognition of their service.  <i>Proposed by: Darren Dolby</i>  <i>Secoded by: Russ Boyack</i></p> <p>Chammy thanked the meeting for this accolade.</p>	
<b>12</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
	<p>DA congratulated MW on his new, prestigious appointment as Lead of the Sub-Committee reviewing the RFU, with a focus on how decisions are made and the impact they have on the community game.</p> <p>LL thanked NLD for its commitment to keeping clubs running over the past year through the pandemic. MW noted that clubs have done a great job in galvanising themselves and making best use of grants that have been available, which is great to see.</p>	

	<p>DH asked if there has been any guidance given from the government yet regarding a full return to rugby, but MW confirmed that there have been no commitments yet.</p> <p>CB said clubs seem to have been working well together and appear more cohesive now. He also expressed thanks to Jeff for all his work around securing funding for clubs.</p> <p>JM noted that the RFU survival fund has been of great help to those clubs who applied, bringing around £650k of funding into NLD. There is now a need for clubs to plan ahead. Every club should have a recruitment /retention plan for 12 months ahead. Jeff also thanked CB for his work in providing a competitive element for the clubs recently through the NLD knockout.</p> <p><i>As there was no other business, DA thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.38pm.</i></p>	
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