Minutes of the WBU Council Meeting 9th July 2023 at 10:00

Held by Zoom and in person at Gwent Bridge Academy

Present: Gilly Clench (Chairman), Alan Screen, Ceri Pierce, Sophie Cunningham, Steve Jarvis, Paddy Murphy, Lorrie Murphy, Barry Wennell, Jennifer Wardell, Mrunalini Dewan, Jeremy Dawes

Zoom: Jean Cufley

1. Welcome

Gilly suggested that the Council be abolished and instead we open the MC to the membership 3 or 4 times a year for more input. The Council was more relevant when the membership of the WBU was much bigger. The feeling in the room towards this was positive.

This will require a constitutional change.

1. Apologies for Absence – Steve Webb

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Accepted.

3. Matters Arising

Masterpoints to be celebrated more - not much progress this year, but this year Steve and Simon have been able to access the system and are investigating further.

4. Nomination of Committees and Officers

Management Committee

To consist of President, CEO, Treasurer, NTO, MP&M Secretary, 4 Area Chairs (or their representatives)

Finance Committee

To consist of the WBU Treasurer and Area Treasurers or their delegates.

Laws and Ethics Committee

No new nominations - to remain as is:

Paddy Murphy, Tony Disley and Alan Screen.

Selection Committee

No new nominations - to remain as is:

Simon Richards, Simon Gottschalk, Jean hand, Paul Denning, Paddy Murphy.

Tournament Committee

To consist of the National Tournament Organiser plus Area Tournament Organisers.

Membership and Masterpoints Secretary – No new nominations – to remain as is: Steve Webb

National Tournament Organiser – No new nominations – Simon Gottschalk

Treasurer – No new nominations – Jean Cufley

President – No nominations

5. Approval of Honoraria

No change to honoraria which were approved to remain as follows:

Treasurer £1,500
Masterpoints Secretary £1,000
Membership Secretary £1,000
NTO £1,000
Webmaster £500

Newsletter £150 per issue

CEO Admin Services £12,500

The floor asked if the CEO payment is a salary? It was confirmed that the payment is not a salary and there is no contract of employment. It is a contract for administrative services.

It was noted that £250 of the Treasurers Honoraria has been contributed by StepBridge

Date of next meeting.

To be determined, in conjunction with the Perry and Spicket and Presidents Cup in West Wales. A June date should be considered.