

THE CHILTERN YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE
(Affiliated to Bedfordshire Football Association)

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHILTERN YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE HELD ON MONDAY 12th JULY 2021 REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS AT 8.00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Chairman, Mr. P. Brown welcomed everyone to the on-line AGM and thanked everyone for taking the time to log on to attend. The Chairman expressed his thanks to everyone for successfully completing the 2020-21 season despite the various challenges and lockdowns that the Pandemic had caused. He also hoped that everyone was keeping safe and well during this time. Mr. Brown also welcomed the President and Vice-Chairman and members of the Bedfordshire Football Association to the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. K. Swain (Vice President), Mr. P. Mockett (Vice President), Mr. P. Roberts (Vice President), Mr. S. Brown (Committee Member) and Mr. G. Wilson (Committee Member)

2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on Monday, 2nd August 2020

These had previously been circulated by email and all member clubs in attendance were issued with a copy. The minutes were approved by the floor as a true record of last years AGM

3. Matters Arising from those Minutes

None

4. Chairman's Report - as issued

A written report had previously been circulated by email and all member clubs in attendance were issued with a copy. This was adopted

5. Presentation of Awards

The President, Mr. C. Davison and the Chairman, Mr. P. Brown made the following awards to recognise the recipients' contribution to youth football in general and specifically the Chiltern Youth Football League:-

Presentation of President's Award

The Award was presented to: **Mr. Tony Gee (CYFL Fixture Secretary)**

Presentation of 'Frank Brock Memorial Trophy'

The Award was presented to: **Not Awarded This Year**

6. Hon. General Secretary's Report

A written report had been circulated and this was adopted

a) Presentation of Secretary's Award:

The Award was presented to: **Mr. Simon Netherton (Wootton Rangers Youth)**

b) Presentation of Sporting Trophy Awards

Main Winners: Under 11 Leighton United Blues

Section Winners: Under 18 Flitwick Eagles Golds
Under 17 AFC Dunstable Blues

Under 16	Bedford Town FC (Youth Development)
Under 15	Shefford Saints Reds
Under 14	2Touch Football Tigers
Under 13	Crawley Green Youth Cubs
Under 12	AFC Dunstable Blues
Under 11	Leighton United Blues

7. **Hon. Fixture Secretary's Report**

A written report had been circulated and this was adopted

8. **Hon. Registration Secretary's Report**

A written report had been circulated and this was adopted

9. **Hon. AM Referee Secretary's Report**

A written report had been circulated and this was adopted

a) **AM Referee of the Year Award**

These were presented to:-

Josh Harding

Hon. PM Referee Secretary's Report

A written report had been circulated and this was adopted

a) **PM Referee of the Year Award**

These were presented to:-

Adam Haywood

10. **Treasurer's Report**

A written report and copies of the Audited Accounts and Balance Sheet had been circulated. The Report and Accounts were adopted.

Thanks were recorded to M&S Water Services Limited for their continued support of the Chiltern Youth Football League, which it had been agreed would continue for at least another two seasons.

11. **Election of New Clubs/Continuing Clubs**

New Clubs – Bedford Rovers, Bedwell Rangers, Cranfield Colts, Eynesbury Rovers, Leighton Park Rangers, Luton Panthers, MK Warriors, Sundon Athletic, Tattenhoe, Totternhoe Youth

All new clubs had been interviewed prior by the committee prior to the AGM & had satisfied the criteria for being recommended for election to the CYFL. Their election was accepted by the floor as members of the CYFL.

12. **Election of Officers and Management Committee:**

Mr. Peter Brown (Chairman) thanked the committee for their hard work during the past season and explained that there were two proposed changes to the management committee for the coming season. Mr. Chris Davison (President) has chosen to stand down from the position of Vice-Chairman (to remain vacant at this current time) and Mr. Mike Desborough had chosen to stand down from his position on the Management Committee. Thanks were recorded to both for their hard work in their positions over a number of seasons.

The remainder of the Management Committee had agreed to continue in their roles for the coming season meaning that the following structure would be in place for the 2021 / 22 season:-

PATRON:

Mr. P.D. Brown

PRESIDENT:

Mr. C. Davison

LIFE VICE-PRESIDENTS:

VICE-PRESIDENTS:

Messrs. P. Mockett, M.J. Ogden, P. Roberts, K. Swain, B.Fleet, D. Billington

CHAIRMAN:

Mr. P.D. Brown

VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Vacant

HON. GENERAL SECRETARY:

Mr. J.D. Brown

HON. FIXTURE SECRETARY:

Mr. T. Gee

HON. REGISTRATION SECRETARY:

Mrs. E. Vase

HON. TREASURER:

Mrs. J.E. Brown

AM REFEREE APPOINTMENTS OFFICER

Mr. S. Chamberlain

PM REFEREE APPOINTMENTS OFFICER

Mr. B. Cooper

REFEREE LIAISON OFFICER:

Mr. R. Leonard

CHILD WELFARE OFFICER:

Mr. J. Thomas

WEBMASTER:

Mrs. M. Wing & Mr. T. Gee

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Messrs. R. Shekle, V. Shekle, S. Chamberlain, G. Wilson, S. Brown

The above committee changes were proposed and seconded and the committee were elected 'en-bloc'.

13. **Alteration of Rules:**

Nothing proposed by member clubs or the Management Committee.

Any additional alterations to the rules for season 2021 / 2022 will be made in conjunction

+with The FA's Standard Code of Rules (Youth).

14. **Conclusion of Playing Season 2021 / 2022:**

This was confirmed as 31st May, 2022.

15. **Standing Orders:**

These were adopted by the member clubs.

16. **Roll Call:**

The Chairman advised all clubs that owing to the circumstances around COVID-19 and the unusual times, **NO** fines would be issued on this occasion for non-attendance at the AGM.

However the following clubs were recorded as absent from the meeting and it was agreed that any future non-attendance at a Full Council Meeting during the 2021-22 season would attract a fine of £40 for these clubs:-

Ampt Hill Town, Astral Park, Bedford Football Academy, Bedford FC Youth, Blunham Youth, Dunstable United, Luton Allstars, Luton Turk Rangers, Smart, St. Josephs Youth and Toddington Rovers

POST MEETING NOTE:- Retrospective apologies were received from Ampt Hill Town, Dunstable United and Toddington Rovers

17. **Election of Auditor:**

Mr. Terry Turrell was elected as Auditor for the 2021 / 2022 Season

18. **Any Other Business:**

The General Secretary confirmed that no questions had been received from member clubs ahead of the meeting.

Mr. C. Pirie (New Bradwell St Peter) asked when the league's constitution for the 2021 / 22 season would be published. The General Secretary and Fixture Secretary confirmed that owing to some late additions to the league, it was hoped to circulate the Constitution to member clubs by Sunday 18th July 2021. Clubs would be allowed a period of time to review the Constitution and provide any appropriate feedback before it was confirmed and fixture planning commenced.

The Chairman thanked the Bedfordshire Football Association (Alan Young) for their support in hosting the AGM, the Committee for their continued hard work and recorded his best wishes to the member clubs for a restful summer and for the forthcoming 2021 / 22 playing season. The Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

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FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE AGM, an informal meeting was held where updates were provided to clubs in relation to the re-start of football and factors around season 2020-21.

Clubs are reminded that:

- a) Teams must submit at least 12 fully completed Player Registrations via the Whole Game System for each 11v11 Team (10 for 9v9 Teams) by **15th August 2021** (Rule 8(a) - Failure to do so may result in a £15.00 fine being issued)
- b) The 2020 / 21 playing season will commence on **Sunday 12th September 2021**

This is the current proposed start date as of the time of the AGM). Any changes to guidance around COVID-19 and social distancing will be monitored and communicated to clubs as appropriate.

- c) Emma Vase (Registration Secretary) addressed the meeting (following the conclusion of the formal AGM business) and advised of timelines for registering players (as detailed above) and also confirmed the process for player photographs, clarifying that new photographs are needed. Clubs were also advised that the need to ensure that Player Squad lists from WGS need to be available at all games, for inspection by the opposition and CYFL Committee Members who maybe in attendance at games.
- d) Tony Gee confirmed the start date for the season (12th September) and asked all clubs to check on the availability of their home pitches and to advise him of any potential issues with them being free for use from the date. Mr. Gee also confirmed that although default kick off times for the AM Section (Under 11, 12,13 and 14 age groups) remain at 10.30am and the PM Section (Under 15, 16, 17 and 18 age groups) remain at 2.00pm, flexibility may be required at venues where pitches and facilities are being shared.
- e) Clubs were advised that the proposed constitution would be circulated to all clubs within the next week and they would be given a period of time (to be confirmed) when they would be able to make any comment or observations