

Welsh Sports Association
Annual General Meeting 2019

6pm Monday 1st July 2019

Cardiff City Stadium, Cardiff

Attendee	Organisation
Keith Warburton	Angling Cymru
Gareth P	BMC
Rhys Green	Canoe Wales
Peter Hybart	Cricket Wales
Michelle Daltrey	Disability Sport Wales
Paul Whapham	Ospreys Rugby
David Evans	Squash Wales
Sue Maughan	Sport Wales
Hannah Guise	Swim Wales
Nicola Rylett	Swim Wales/NRG
Julian Boyer	Table Tennis Wales
Tyrone Davies	Tennis Wales
James Williams	Welsh Athletics
Siobhan Corria	Welsh Boxing
Anne Adams King	Welsh Cycling
Chris Landon	Welsh Cycling
Beverley Lewis	Welsh Tri
Kerry Chown	WSRB
John Dallamore	WSTF
Helen Humphrey	WSA Chair (Incumbent)
Lynn Pamment	WSA Chair (Successor)
Ffion Lloyd	WSA Board Director
Kate Stokes-Davies	WSA Board Director
Damian Phillips	WSA Board Director
Fergus Feeney	WSA Board Director / CEO Swim Wales
Jonathan Ford	WSA Director / CEO FAW
David Vickery	Consultant
Jon Morgan	Consultant
Victoria Ward	Chief Executive
Thomas Sharp	Business Development Manager
Kate Evans	Head of Communications & Policy
Josephine Pakes	Business Support Manager
Aled Herbert	Business Support Officer

1.0 Chairs Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the AGM and reviewed WSA'S focus & work of the previous 12 months. She spoke of the strength of the current board, she announced that after 3 years she would be standing down as Chair at the end of the meeting.

Apologies

The following apologies were noted:

Emily Dougherty – African Community Centre

John O'Connor – Angling Cymru

Fiona Reid – DSW

Simon Patton – Mountain Training Wales

Rebecca Brough – Ramblers Cymru

Robyn Kellen – Snowsport Cymru

Jared Lougher – Sport Caerphilly

Richard Thomas – Sported

Hannah McAllister - Wales Golf

Chris Rea- Water Skills Academy

Simon Roach – Weightlifting Wales

Sarah Jones – Welsh Netball

Richard Bennett – Welsh Student Sport

Helen Adams – WRU

Donna Carpenter – WSTF

Paul Edwards – Welsh Salmon & Trout Angling

2.0 Approval of AGM minutes 18th July 2018

(a) The minutes were approved and accepted for accuracy.

Proposed: Fergus Feeney

Seconded: Peter Hybart

Unanimously supported.

3.0 Financial Matters

(a & b) Finance Consultant, David Vickery (DV) presented both the WSA & Vibrant Nation accounts, he discussed the increases in income and how this were shown between WSA & VN. DV also explained how WSA were working towards achieving 6 months operating costs in reserves as per the reserves policy.

(c) Arthur Gait & Company were approved as auditors by the members for the coming year.

Proposed: David Vickey

Seconded: Fergus Feeney

4.0 WSA Annual Report

The Chief Executive presented the main findings of the annual report. The CEO welcomed the WSA's new member of staff, Aled. The CEO spoke about securing the Governance and Leadership Framework Wales (GLFW) contract and how pleased WSA were to have done so, she explained how WSA had used an alternative approach to securing the contact by utilizing the investment in the programme to leverage support from existence services for the third sector in order to maximum the value from the contact.

The CEO welcomed new Sponsors, Watkin Davies. She explained the benefits of the partners and their services and the value they add to the membership. The CEO announced what was on the horizon for WSA, including the funding database just added to the WSA website.

Head of Communications & Policy, Kate Evans, highlighted the headline achievements of the year. She reminded the membership about the advocacy resources on the WSA website and encouraged the members to be proactive in having their say as part of the advocacy group. She went on to explain that the WSA would be using the an online communications tool, 'Yammer' as part of the GLFW and asked the beneficiaries of the GLFW to join. She also highlighted the benefits of members subscribing to the 3rd sector led website, Info Engine, that members could utilize to promote their services/clubs, she explained that Hockey Wales were going to trail and WSA would report back to the CEO Forum & membership with the findings.

6.0 Resignation of Directors

The resignation of Robert James and Ffion Lloyd was announced. Robert has been with WSA for 20 years and has come to the end of his second 4-year term, since the organisation became incorporated. The chair asked for her thanks for his commitment be recorded in the minutes as he had been unable to attend the meeting. The Chair thanked Ffion for her 5 years on the WSA board and the stability she brought as interim Chair, she was presented with flowers.

7.0 Election Ballot

Paul Whapham, Ospreys Rugby, & Siobhan Corria, Welsh Amateur Boxing Association were the only nominees for WSA board vacancies, as there were two elected positions available both nominees were accepted onto the board without need for a vote in accordance with WSA's articles. The Chair informed the membership that Damian Phillips had also been appointed to the board by the directors.

The new directors gave a brief overview of their background and what they hope to bring to the WSA board.

8.0 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

9.0 Announcement of the new WSA Chair to the board/Introductory address

The Chair announced her retirement from the role and expressed her gratitude to the board for inviting her to remain as a director of the company. She then went on to announce that Lynne Pamment, Senior Partner at PricewaterhouseCooper had been appointed by the board as her successor. The CEO, on behalf of the staff and board, offered her sincere gratitude for the contribution the Chair had made to the company during her time in the position and how delighted they all were that she was to remain as a director of the company.

Lynne Pamment, as the new Chair of the WSA, was invited to give an introductory address.

The Chair spoke of the impact sport had on her life. She described how in her role at PwC they had tackled challenges around diversity and inclusion. She expanded on what she thought were the 5 key elements for implementing changes within an organisation. She discussed what she hoped to bring to her role as WSA Chair. She closed her addresses by inviting Chairs and executive staff of the membership to take part in the discussion forums on 'Balanced, Skilled & Inclusive Organisations'.

9.0 Close

The Chair thanked everyone for attending.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 6.50pm

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