

# Amateur Boxing Scotland Limited Annual General Meeting Sunday 25 August 2013

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Amateur Boxing Scotland (ABS) Ltd Simpson Suite, the Cairn Hotel, Bathgate, West Lothian EH48 2EL

# 1 Roll Call and Apologies:

There were 31 Member Clubs present:

• 1314, Aberdeen, Alloa, Argo, Barrhead, Bathgate, Blantyre Miners, Broadwood, Broxburn, Cambusnethan, Claymores, Clovenstone, Craigmillar, Doonhamers, East Lothian, Elgin, Four Isles, Glenrothes, Hillpark, Insch, Kincorth, Leith Victoria, Linwood, Lochaber Phoenix, Madison, Northwest, Renfrewshire, Robert Gordon's University, Springhill, The Bronx and Wellmeadow.

Apologies were received from:

Cleland, Doon Valley, Duries, Greenock, Hayfield, Millenium, Moray and Perth Railway

ABS Ltd Chairman, Mr Richard Thomas, opened the meeting and welcomed members to the 2014 Annual General Meeting.

The Chairman proceeded to confirm the members present able to vote.

Mick Roberts of Forgewood ABS disputed his club had no vote despite sending an affiliation cheque, but no accompanying paperwork, to the ABS Office three weeks prior.

The Chairman confirmed 2013 affiliation paperwork and payments were due to be paid by 31st July. ABS had made every effort to process any late affiliation payments or paperwork. Clubs not meeting these criteria would not be entitled to vote.

# 2 Minutes of the Previous AGM held Sunday 26 August 2012

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 26 August 2012 were proposed as correct by Mr Frank McLaughlin (Bathgate ABC) and seconded by Mr Leroy Smith (Aberdeen ABC).

### 3 Annual Report Presentation

ABS Ltd Staff made a presentation based on the content of the 2012-2013 Annual Report.

The Chairman noted the presentation could have been shorter and more succinct.

Jeannie Robertson Frazier of the Craigmillar ABC concurred and enquired regards the planned ABS Ltd level one coaching course.

The Chairman explained clubs/individual members will be liable for paying course costs.

William Burns clarified ABS will appoint its own assessors & tutors. A working group will be formed which will also include SQA external assessors. The course will consist of paper & practical assessment will be audited by the SQA.

Adam Scott of the 1314 ABC asked whether the new AIBA rules could be discussed.

The Chairman advised that the AGM was not the most suitable forum for such a debate, however, acknowledged the importance of the rules and would be happy to discuss at another time.

The Chairman informed Mr Scott any coach currently holding a British Boxing Board of Control licence should not act as a second for a period of six months, further to relinquishing their licence.

ABS has been have been working the development of an R&J training programme for a number of years but was mindful of some significant rules changing. There is a need for stability following such changes at which stage a standardised training programme will be delivered through our Districts.

The Chief Operating Officer has been tasked with organising national to AIBA one star assessments and will progress this in coming months. Potential candidate information has been submitted to AIBA and we await confirmation of dates.

### 4 Financial Report

The 2012/2013 financial report was taken as read.

#### 5 Motions on the agenda

The Chairman explained the importance of the one motion on the agenda which, if supported, will result in the word amateur being removed from our name. Our Articles of Association have also been amended to include the incorporation of AIBA World Series Boxing (WSB) and AIBA Pro Boxing (APB).

Every affiliated member affiliating agrees to abide by the ABS articles. These in turn stipulate we adhere to AIBA statutes, bylaws and rules.

Supporting the motion and proposed changes to our Articles of Association will keep us in line with the AIBA family. The recent suspension of the ABAE shows how great the potential risk is.

AlBA has sanctioned the content of the proposed articles and any member refusing to support these will put themselves in breach of ABS articles.

The Chairman proceeded to read out the motion in full and asked if any member present was not in support.

No voting member or appointed delegate objected to the motion and the Chairman confirmed that all members had voted in support of it.

#### 6 – Election of Honorary President and President Positions

Mr John McDermott MBE and Mr Dick McTaggart MBE were both elected as Honorary Presidents for the 2013/2014 season

Mr Douglas Fraser (Leith Victoria), President of the Eastern District was elected as President for the 2013/2014 season.

### 7 - AOCB

No competent business was raised.