



Boxing Scotland Limited (BSL) Annual General Meeting
Sunday 28 August 2016
Dean Park Hotel, Chapel Level, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY2 6HF

Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting of BSL Inverclyde

1 Roll Call and Apologies:

There were 23 Member Clubs present:

- Bannockburn, Bellahouston, Broadwood, (the) Bronx, Cambusnethan, Cardenden, Craigmillar, East Lothian, Fair City, Forsyths, Four Isles, Greenock, Jackton, Leith Victoria, Linwood, Livingston, Lochaber Phoenix, Meadowbank, Midlothian, North West, Port Glasgow, St Francis, Zetland

No apologies were received.

BSL Chairman, Mr Richard Thomas, opened the meeting at 13:07hrs and welcomed members to the 2015 Annual General Meeting.

2 Minutes of the previous AGM held Sunday 07 September 2014

It was noted that the previous minutes had a small typo within them – the year required to be changed from 2015 to 2014. Subject to this alteration, the minutes were accepted as an accurate account by the members present.

3 Annual Report Presentation

The 2014 - 2015 Annual Report was taken as read.

4 Financial Report

The financial report was taken as read.

5 Motions on the Agenda

There were no motions on the agenda.

6 Election of the Honorary President and President positions

Mr John McDermott MBE and Mr Dick McTaggart MBE were both elected as Honorary Presidents for the 2014/2015 season.

Mr Vincent Keane (Jackton), Western District President was elected as BSL President for the 2014/2015 season.

7 AOCB

The Chairman explained to members present that previous AGMs had overran because of personal issues being discussed rather than competent AGM business.

The Chairman's first involvement at a BSL AGM was in 2009 which had a very combative 'them and us' atmosphere and it was noted that the organisation has progressed considerably since the 2009 AGM was adjourned.

The Chairman explained that BSL is one family – while everyone doesn't agree with everything that is done, we all share common goals and want the best for our boxers, members and the sport itself. There is a need for everyone to agree on larger, significant matters as we aim to grow and develop during the 2015 – 2019 cycle.

We want to promote ambition and unity within the sport while working towards common goals. BSL wants to create a culture where members can speak openly and freely – members that will be listened too and who let us know the areas we can improve on.

Douglas Fraser (Leith Victoria) remarked that having read the Annual Report, it was clear to see how BSL investment was being spent. The amount of medals now being won is very encouraging and the sport has come on leaps and bounds. DF congratulated BSL, its coaches and boxers on their 2014 – 2015 performances.

The Chairman stated that the clubs and individual members (Officials, Volunteers and Coaches) must congratulate themselves on the fantastic performances achieved. Whoever requires it, we much provide a rich environment. A number of small but important stepping stones are making things better.

Vince Keane (Jackton) voiced his concern over what he feels is the dwindling number of club shows. Douglas Pinkett (Bellahouston) also explained there is added competition from white collar/unlicensed fighting events now. 11 West District shows were cancelled over the 2014 – 2015 season.

The Chairman explained Fraser Walker (FW) was doing a fantastic job in liaising and developing relationships with Local Authorities at a grass roots level. The main aim of this is to publicise and promote the good work of BSL and the many positive aspects and benefits of the sport of Boxing.

Callum Colquhoun (East Lothian) asked whether there was merit in staging the BSL AGM in a central location each year.

The meeting concluded at 14:12hrs.