CROYDON NETBALL LEAGUE

MINUTES of the Thirty-Seventh Croydon Netball League Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 29th July 2016 at Shirley High School, Shirley Church Road, Croydon CR0 5EF at 8.00 p.m..

PRESENT: Officers J Crowhurst, K Gillick, J Harbottle-Joyce, B Martial, J Martin, K Martin, S McSherry, S Palmer, J Penney and J Rowland (Chairman).

Clubs Ace, CMO, Chequers, Coombe, Crickets, Croham, Demonettes, Emmanuel Thunder, Highlanders, HS, HSBC, Karisma, KCLA, Lifeline, MCP, MIC, Phoenix J, Pleiades, Portas, Roundwood, Selsdon, Thornton Theath, United, Wandsworth, Warren Z's, Wellcome and Wilsons

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Club Langley (Evening League)

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM

Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated prior to the meeting and were taken as read. There being no amendments, the Chairman was asked to sign them as a true record.

3. MATTERS ARISING -

i) Officers posts filled.

4. OFFICERS REPORTS

i) ***The Chairman/Secretary*** - Report tabled.

ii) ***Evening League Secretary*** – Report tabled.

iii) ***Shirley High Coordinator*** - Report tabled.

iv) ***Tournament Secretary*** – Report tabled.

v) ***Press Secretary*** –Report tabled.

vi) ***Umpiring Secretary*** - Report tabled.

vii) ***Registration Secretary*** - Report tabled.

Adoption of the reports were **Proposed**: The Chair Carried unanimously

Additional copies will be available on the website. Alternatively contact the Secretary who will email requested reports.

The Chairman expressed a huge personal thanks to all the members of the Executive Committee for their time, commitment and dedication to the running of the League during the past year, without such valuable contributions the League would not function.

5. FINANCE

Report tabled and adopted with the main reports.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman Jackie Rowland (HS)

Proposed: Julia Martin (Greenacres) **Seconded:** Marion (Pleiades**)** Carried

All the following members of the Executive Committee were willing to stand. There being no other nominations received by the Secretary by the due date the Chairman proposed to elect them en bloc.

Treasurer	Julia Martin	(Greenacres)
Evening League Sec	Sara Palmer	(Roundwood)
Shirley High Coordinator	Sara Palmer	(Roundwood)
Umpiring Secretary	Jo Crowhurst	(Lifeline)
Press Secretary	Kay Martin	(United)
Registration Secretary	Sue McSherry	(Highlanders)

Proposed: Chairman En Bloc Meeting agreed unanimously.

Nominations for the following positions had been received and seconded accordingly for the following positions:

Secretary	Jaime Harbottle-Joyce	(Chequers)
Tournament Secretary	Donna Adams new	(HS)

Meeting agreed unanimously.

JR gave a vote of thanks to Jo Handley for her valuable contribution to the League for her time serving on the Committee.

7. DIVISIONAL SECRETARIES

The following secretaries are willing to stand again. The Secretary had not received any further specific nominations and The Chair proposed en bloc.

Bibiana Martial	(Wandsworth)	Jo Crowhurst	(Lifeline)
Jamie Harbottle-Joyce	(Chequers)	Karen Gillick	(HS)
Sara Palmer	(Roundwood)	Sue McSherry	(Highlanders)

Proposed: Chairman En Bloc The Meeting agreed unanimously

8. DATES

8.1 List distributed to the meeting and will be posted on the Website. Key dates were pointed out.

8.2 Question rose regarding the re-arranging of matches and whether they could be played away from Shirley High. If the appropriate notification granted and if all parties agreed and there were extenuating circumstances then this could be allowed. Divisional Secretary and Umpiring Secretary should be included and formally notified.

9. RULE & REGULATION CHANGES

All rules amendments, whether major or just rewording without changing the meaning of the Rule, had been circulated to Clubs prior to the AGM and were proposed by the Chair and agreed.

JR spoke about the communication on this, which related to Warren Z –

4.1 – removal the – "exception to two club".

Marilyn Reardon from Warren gave a résumé of their objections to the removal of this concession which was discussed at length and Clubs had the opportunity to give their view.

JR explained that this is part of the criteria, if we are to be successful in getting the funding from England Netball for the resurfacing and floodlighting.

JM advised that this rule should have been amended at last years AGM, therefore it was proposed by the Committee that the rule be amended to "one club" this year. This would demonstrate to England Netball that we have taken steps to ensure all Clubs are showing a 'Home' ground as Shirley High from 2017/18.

The meeting agreed to amending the wording this year to "exception of one club".

JR gave one year's notice to Warren that this rule will be amended next year and that 'all Clubs will be required to play at Shirley High from 17/18 season'.

4.8 KCLA – asked what constituted 80% of games and this was clarified. A question from the floor requesting how Umpires were allocated across the divisions. JR gave clarification. Consideration was taken into account as to whether they were player/umpires and whether they officiated prior or after their matches. Trainees are assessed during the season.

5.4 JR highlighted this rule, that in line with all Leagues in Surrey, any Club/Team who had gained promotion to the County League and came from Croydon Netball League must be allowed back into the top division.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 ***Shirley High*** – JR updated the meeting on situation at Shirley High and the future projects regarding sunken posts, resurfacing and floodlighting.

10.2 **County Filter League** – Karisma A were welcomed back to the League and congratulations to HS A for being successful in gaining a place in this League .

10.3 **Regional League** – Congratulations to Roundwood A who won the Regional League play off.

10.4 ***Awards/Trophy Presentation*** -The Chairman presented awards to those who were unable to attend the Dinner Dance. KCLA, runners up of division 3, and the most Sporting player from Division 5 Heidi Lukes.

10.5 ***Qualified Umpire Awards*** presented with their reimbursement of the test fee for the "C" Award ~ Cheryl Mitchell (United), Lizzie Sharp (Roundwood), Georgina Hickman (Roundwood) and Rebecca McDonald (Pleiades).

10.6 ***Evening League***: - Application form has been sent out. Entry fee will be £120.00 per team.

10.7 ***Codes of Conduct*** – JR thanked Clubs and Committee members for signing up to this for another year.

10.8 ***New Rules Forums*** – To be organized for Tuesday 26th July and 5th or 6th September. All Umpires and Clubs will be notified and all umpires must attend.

10.9 ***London Borough Youth Team*** – JM advised competition this Saturday for Y9s. This year introducing an U19s Development competition on the Sunday and all looking forward to it. Thanks expressed to Clubs for their support. Each year selection proving more difficult due to high calibre of players.

10.10 ***Junior League*** - AI gave brief information regarding the formation, which has been running successfully over the past year. About 12-16 teams attended. Same

format from next September commencing at the end of September, more teams are welcome. School year 5 – 9. Rally last Sunday was well attended and enjoyed.

10.11 ***Umpiring Expenses*** – Winter League to remain at £15.00 per game and the Evening League to remain at £12.00 per game. Meeting agreed.

10.13 ***New Rules*** books will be issued to every umpire and each team captain free of charge from the League.

Meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

Chairman ..... Date .....
Mrs Jackie Rowland