CROYDON NETBALL LEAGUE

MINUTES of the Thirty-Eighth Croydon Netball League Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 5th July 2017 at Shirley High School, Shirley Church Road, Croydon CR0 5EF at 8.00 pm..

PRESENT: Officers D Adams, J Crowhurst, B Martial, J Martin, K Martin, S McSherry, S Palmer, J Penney, J Handley and J Rowland (Chairman).

Clubs Ace, Chequers, CMO, Coombe, Crickets, Demonettes, Emmanuel Thunder, Highlanders, HS, HSBC, Karisma, KCLA, Lifeline, NRG, Phoenix J, Pleiades, Portas, Roundwood, Selsdon, United, Wandsworth, Warren Z's and Wellcome.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – K Gillick, J Harbottle-Joyce.

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** -

10.1 Resurfacing taken place and floodlight project now underway.
10.9 London Borough Netball Teams 2016 – U14 = 5th and U19s = 3rd

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:** Sue Portas (Portas**)**

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.

Secretary	Jaime Harbottle-Joyce	(Chequers)
Treasurer	Julia Martin	(Greenacres)
Evening League Sec	Sara Palmer	(Roundwood)
Fixtures Coordinator	Sara Palmer	(Roundwood)
Press Secretary	Kay Martin	(United)
Registration Secretary	Sue McSherry	(Highlanders)
Tournament Secretary	Donna Adams	(HS)
Umpiring Mentoring	Jackie Penney	(United)
Umpiring Secretary	Jo Crowhurst	(Lifeline)

Pr**oposed:** Chairman En Bloc Meeting agreed unanimously.

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)
Jaime Harbottle-Joyce	(Chequers)	Karen Gillick	(HS)
Jo Handley	(CMO)	Sue McSherry	(Highlanders)

Proposed: Chairman En Bloc Agreed unanimously

8. DATES

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

9. RULE & REGULATION CHANGES

All proposed rule amendments, whether major or just rewording without changing the meaning of the Rule, had been circulated to Clubs prior to the AGM and identified by being highlighted either "green" for wording amendment or "Red" for a Rule changed.

The Chairman went through each amendments highlighted in green and were approved by the meeting.

4.1 All games will now be played at Shirley high
4.2 Added "the team Umpire"
4.6 Added "representative etc."
6.1 & 6.2 Numbers to be changed around and add "on or after".
6.4 Wording for Regional players per team being inserted
6.14 Wording amended
11.4 Discipline

The meeting agreed to leave revised wording regarding pregnant players and umpires to the Executive Committee and will be highlighted to Clubs when the rules are sent out at the beginning of the new season.

Proposed Chair Meeting carried

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 **County Filter League** – HS remaining in the County League after play offs. Commiserations to Chequers enjoyed the play offs experience but were unsuccessful.

10.3 **Regional League** – Congratulations to Roundwood who will remain in Division 2 coming 4th out of 8.

10.4 **Awards/Trophy Presentation** -The Chairman presented awards to those who were unable to attend the Dinner Dance. KCLA - Division 2 Winners and Runners Up Karisma B. Monday Evening League Sportsmanship - Club Langley. Chairman's' Cup Runners Up - Coombe. Winners - Karisma A

10.5 **Umpires Awards** – Presented to Amy Rendle others will be awarded at the BOSR.

10.6 **Colours** – Awarded to Amy Rendle. Citation read by the Chairman. Also noted that Sue McSherry presented at Dinner Dance.

10.7 **Qualified Umpire Awards** – "C" Award ~ Kerry Armstrong and Julia Milne (Lifeline), Louise Thomson (Chequers), Emma Hill and Lucy Beeson (Roundwood) and Daryl Anderson (Independent). Well done to everyone who has passed this season and all will receive test fee refunds.

10.8 **Netball Magazine** – Nice article and photograph printed on Lyn Handley. Regional Netball Festival article also included and mention of HS ball girls for the day.

10.9 **Code of Conduct** – JR thanked Clubs for signing up.

10.10 **Courses** – Following a recent Safeguarding course the Code of Conduct needs to be re-evaluated so paperwork will be sent out to each club for onward transmission. A "Time to Listen" Course to be organized. New date for the "First Aid Course" - Sunday 1st October

10.11 ***London Borough Youth Netball Team*** – Julia Martin advised competition this Saturday for Y9s & U15. Thanks expressed to Clubs for their support. Each year the selection has been more difficult due to the high standards of players applying.

10.12 ***Junior*** – Clubs with Junior sections have continued to develop and numbers are increasing. It was noted that because the number are increasing we need to encourage more clubs to join in, after all the Juniors are our future. Sunday Tournaments have been run successfully throughout the year.

10.13 ***Umpiring Expenses*** – The League is recommending no change to i.e. £15.00 for Winter League matches and the Evening League to remain £12.00.
Meeting agreed.

Discussion took place regarding umpiring fees paid to trainees as it was felt that there should be a difference to that paid to a fully qualified umpire, whatever level. It was felt that maybe trainees should be paid £10.00. A system will be devised possibly using a central pay point in the Pavilion where Amy French can collect from those teams where trainees have been used each week and will distribute fees correctly to the Umpires. Clubs, Umpires and trainees will be advised of the procedure proposed by the Committee.

10.14 ***London & South East Region – Goalden Globe Awards*** – JM announced that two people from the Croydon League had been nominated and won the following Awards and go on to the country wide Awards later this year.

The Muriel McNally Award – Congratulations to Jackie Rowland for receiving this Award, out of two nominees, for outstanding contribution to netball delivery through administration, coaching or officiating at grassroots level for a minimum of 10 years.

Unsung Hero Award – Congratulations to Eileen Brandrick of HS who was among four nominations for this award, becoming joint winner with Clare Nicholls from Hillcrest. This is for outstanding contribution to netball through delivery of club netball. The nominee should have volunteered for a minimum of 5 years in any capacity within club netball.

It is a great honour that these people and our League have been recognized for the work they do.

10.15 ***Surrey Storm*** – JM, although stated at the Dinner Dance, the Croydon League now has three girls who have been accepted into the U17 Surrey Storm squad. These girls are Leila and Naomi Allan and Izabella Womack all from Pleiades. Many congratulations to these girls and a special mention should also go to their club coaches. Also have been part of the Croydon Borough Team for at least three years.

10.16 ***CNL Executive Committee Administration*** – JM wanted to clarify and affirm how decisions are arrived at on any matter brought to the attention of the Committee. We look at the issue presented and discuss the "topic" and we come to a conclusion. In the event we do not all agree, which can and does happen, which is healthy, we go with the majority by voting – with the exception of the Chairman, who remains impartial. Regrettably, the past year has seen an unfortunate implication, and personal attack, that "The Chairman" has made or influenced the outcome of decisions. JM stated that she had never encountered anything like this during her time on this Committee. We are all elected by the Clubs to serve for their best interests.

Meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

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