CROYDON NETBALL LEAGUE

MINUTES of the Fortieth Croydon Netball League Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd July 2019 at Shirley High School, Shirley Church Road, Croydon CR0 5EF at 8.00 pm

PRESENT: Officers D Adams, A Allen, J Crowhurst, B Martial, J Martin, K Martin, S McSherry, S Palmer, J Penney, J Rowland (Chairman), Karen Gillick and Jo Handley

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None received.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM

Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated prior to the meeting and were taken as read and the Chairman was asked to sign them as a true record.

3. MATTERS ARISING -

10.8 **Games Management Forum** – well attended and gave a valuable insight into how and what should happen to effect ultimate control of a game in all aspects. Thanks expressed to Jackie Penney for organizing the speaker.

10.10 **Floodlighting** – Installation was completed in August 2018. Trees cutting back actioned. There is an environmental issue being monitored with regard to noise and light pollution by the school and the Croydon Council.

10.11 **London Youth Games 2018 – Croydon Borough Netball Teams** – JM confirmed that both teams played well. The Year 9s and under were positioned 13th, with the U19s winning Bronze, again.

10.13 **London & South East Region – Goalden Globe Awards 2018** – Jackie Penney was nominated for the "Official of the Year" Award.

4. OFFICERS REPORTS

4.1 ***The Chairman/Secretary*** - Report tabled.
4.2 ***Evening League Secretary*** – Report tabled.
4.3 ***Press Secretary*** – Report tabled.
4.4 ***Shirley High Fixtures Coordinator*** - Report tabled.
4.5 ***Registration Secretary*** - Report tabled.
4.6 **T*ournament Secretary*** – Report tabled.
4.7 ***Umpiring Secretary*** - Report tabled.

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

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

The Chairman expressed her personal thanks to all the members of the Executive Committee for their time 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 Cooper (Portas**)** Carried

The Chairman advised that 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	Karen Gillick	(HS)
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

DIVISIONAL SECRETARIES

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

Bibiana Martial	(Wandsworth)	Jo Crowhurst	(Lifeline)
Karen Gillick	(HS)	Jo Handley	(CMO)
Sue McSherry	(Highlanders)	Althea Allen	(Wellcome)

Proposed: Chairman En Bloc Meeting agreed unanimously

7. DATES

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

7.2 The School has advised that certain dates will not be available and these and these will be on the distribution

8. RULES & REGULATION CHANGES

All proposed rule amendments had been circulated to Clubs prior to the AGM and identified by being highlighted either "green" for re-wording amendment or "Red" for a Rule improvement/change. The final version will be issued to all Clubs who are requested to ensure that their members are aware of these.

The Chairman went through each amendment highlighted in green and these were approved by the meeting. The Rule improvements/changes in red and the rationale behind the changes were explained by the Chairman.

The adoption of all the changes were put to the meeting by the Chairman.

Proposed: Chair Meeting agreed unanimously

9. FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

9.1 **Court 7** – JR explained the situation and the course of action that is to be taken. It is hoped will be in place for the beginning of the season. The League has secured a grant for £2,000 from the Croydon Playing Fields Association, for which the League is very grateful. The balance to be funded by the League.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 **Code of Conduct** – clubs requested to hand in completed documents at the AGM.

10.2 **County Filter League** – Wandsworth went through to the play offs and played very well and missed out on a place.

10.3 **Regional League** – Pleased to report Roundwood remain in Division 2 for next season.

10.4 **Awards/Trophy Presentation** -The Chairman presented awards to those who were unable to attend the Dinner Dance.

10.4 **Umpires Awards** – JR presented individually to Jackie Penney, Jo Handley, Tabitha McGrath and Chris Borrow.

10.5 **Colours** – were presented at the Dinner Dance to Abbie Roberts of Roundwood, Emma Clark of Roundwood and Liz Jacques of Selsdon.

10.6 **Qualified Umpire Awards -** Well done to Anna Jay (Wandsworth), Ellie Clowes (KCLA), Hannah Mills (Lifeline) and Kate Harley (HS) who have passed this season and all will receive test fee refunds.

10.7 **Umpiring Courses** – All new courses and dates will be put on the Surrey Website as well as CNL.

10.8 **London Borough Youth Netball Team 2019** – The Organisers this year decided to split the age groups and play them on two different dates and different venues. Year 9's all played exceptionally well and were a credit to themselves and Croydon and finished a respectable 9$^{t.}$ The U19s playing at Crystal Palace on Sunday 7th July. Thanks, expressed to Clubs for their support.

10.9 **Umpiring Expenses** – The League recommends no change to qualified umpires expenses of £15.00 for the Winter League matches and the Evening League to remain £12.00. As in previous years, Trainees receive £15.00 and will be expected to refund £5.00. They will be invoiced twice per season.

10.10 **Walking Netball** – the meeting was advised of local activity – 1 in Waddon and 2 at HSBC which are all during the day but looking to do evening sessions if there is enough interest.

10.11 **Regional Celebrations Festival – July 2018** – Jackie Rowland, Kay Martin and Julia Martin all assisted in the event organization. It included a juniors competition, walking netball, plus a women v men highlight plus the SEast Goalden Globes presentation.

10.12 **England ENgage System** – The system is beginning to become available. Firstly, through the Members being asked to "Check & Change". It is appreciated that there will be teething problems so we need to be patient.

10.13 **Long Service Award** – Julia Martin on behalf of CNL has put forward this Award. JM explained that she had been the recipient of the England Netball Long Service Award at the EN Goalden Globes Awards last September. An

honour and a privilege which gave rise to this idea, especially in this special "40th" year of CNL. It will take the format of a metal badge with a specific criteria set. To be awarded throughout the year on various occasions.

10.14 **40 Years Celebrations** – JM gave a brief history of the League since its inception in 1979. There were 22 teams which transferred from the Surrey (Croydon) Netball League. Lyn Handley, the first Chairman, had a vision and wanted to "break away" from the County. JM commended everyone who has contributed to the success of the League whether past or present and in the future. On behalf of the Clubs and their players JM thanked Jackie Rowland for her hard efforts over the years.

Meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

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