

# LONDON & SOUTH EAST REGION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Virtual meeting via Zoom video conference platform Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020, 6:30pm

#### Present:

Marlene Wander	Regional Vice-Chair	MW
Jenny Harold	Regional President	JH
Julia Martin	Regional Treasurer	JM
Jane Kelloe	Officiating TSG Chair	JK
Maggie Finch	Coaching and Performance TSG Co-Chair	MF
Gordon Dudman	Disciplinary Sec and C&P TSG Co-Chair	GD
Maureen Clark	Volunteering TSG Chair	MC
Kat Cruickshank	Communications TSG Chair	KC
Pat Meadows	Essex Met Chair	PM
Michelle Ray	Kent Rep	MR
Amber Derrien	Middlesex Rep	JL
Christine Kelso	Surrey Chair	CK

#### England Netball Staff in attendance (in a non -voting capacity):

Lucy Goodman	Regional Coordinator & Minute Taker	LG
Samantha Kennerson	Partnership Manager, LSE & East	SK

#### Nominees in attendance in a non-speaking capacity

Katrina-May Kwan, Jessica Vine, Lucy Pollock, Shanaide Basquine, Fiona Stirling, Josie Jones, Harriet Black, Amy Jacobs, Claire Shapland, Charlotte Mott.

## 1. President's welcome and opening remarks

JH welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the nominees for their attendance and interest in joining the L&SERNA RMB.

#### 2. Apologies for absence

Alison Bennet – Chair Sue Owen – Middlesex Chair Laura Pawley – Competitions TSG Chair

## 3. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (17/09/2019) and matters arising

- Page 3, item 10 Amend to 'an officiating portfolio manager'
- Page 4 Amend the Communication Chair's initials from CK to KC

**Action 1**: ET to find out what access different members should have and what they can use data for. **Complete** 

Action 2: ET to chase Marc Scott for a list of EN disciplinary panel members.

Complete

Action 3: ESJ to chase Ian for these minutes.

Complete

Acceptance of minutes was proposed by JM and seconded by Essex Met (PM). AGREED unanimously.

4. Chair's report (Chair's report appended with all County and TSG reports)

There was nothing further to add to the report provided.

Acceptance of Chair's Report was proposed by MC and seconded by MF. AGREED unanimously.

5. England Netball Regional report (Report appended)

There was nothing further to add to the report provided.

Acceptance of England Netball Regional Report was proposed by MW and seconded by GD. AGREED unanimously.

#### 6. Finance

- i. **To receive and adopt** the Financial Statements for the year to 30 June 2020 (appended)
- ii. To appoint an independent examiner to verify the Accounts

JM provided an overview of the accounts which were prepared in accordance with general accounting practices and had been independently examined. JM highlighted a profit of £6,292 against a loss of £519 in the previous year. This will be adjusted in the reserve account balance. The reserve account balance to year end is £66,343.

JM expressed her thanks to her Assistant (Jenny Stephens) and the rest of the Finance TSG.

With the current Covid-19 situation, various scenarios were calculated and discussed in depth regarding teams competing in the Regional League to ensure clubs are not financially disadvantaged, and there are ongoing conversations with the Competitions TSG regarding this matter. Once the number of teams entering the League has been finalized, all teams will receive some form of discount for the new season.

Any funds paid out for the 2020 Golden Globe Awards have been transferred to next year, with the budget being managed by MC.

JM proposed the voting members accept the Financial Statement for the year 30 June 2020. This was seconded by MR.

AGREED unanimously.

JM proposed the voting members approve payment to the Independent Examiner of the accounts, seconded by GD.

AGREED unanimously.

JM proposed the reappointment of Kevin McNamara as the Independent Examiner to verify the accounts for 2020-2021. This was seconded by Essex Met. AGREED unanimously.

## 7. To approve any recommendations of the RMB

#### i. Constitution

JH extended her thanks to Jane Kelloe and Marlene Wander for their hard work bringing the new Constitution together, and thanked all RMB members for their contributions.

The RMB recommended that their approval of the new Constitution be ratified by the AGM. APPROVED unanimously.

#### 8. To elect the members of the Regional Management Board and confirm TSG Chairs

- Regional President
  - o Two nominations were received. Jenny Harrold was duly elected.
- Regional Chair
  - o One nomination was received. Alison Bennett was duly elected.
- Regional Vice-Chair
  - o Three nominations were received. Marlene Wander was duly elected.
- Regional Treasurer and Chair of Finance TSG
  - o One nomination was received. Julia Martin was duly elected.
- Regional Secretary
  - o Three nominations were received. Jessica Vine was duly elected.
- Communications Officer
  - o One nomination was received. Amy Jacobs was duly elected.
- Equality, Diversity & Inclusivity Officer
  - o Five nominations were received. Katrina-May Kwan was duly elected.
- Young Volunteer Representative
  - One nomination was received. Lucy Pollock was duly elected.

The following TSG Chairs were confirmed:

- Jane Kelloe as Officiating TSG Chair
- Maggie Finch and Gordon Dudman as Co-Chairs of the Coaching and Performance TSG
- Maureen Clark as Volunteering TSG Chair
- Laura Pawley as Competitions TSG Chair
- 9. To receive reports Counties and Technical Support Groups (Full reports are appended)
  - Surrey County No additional comments
  - Middlesex County No additional comments

- Essex Met County No additional comments
- Kent County No additional comments

## - Officiating TSG

JK provided an additional update to the OTSG report. We are currently still waiting on Netball Europe for confirmation of a further extension for those on the officiating pathway, and confirmation on whether the modified game can be used for assessments and pre-assessments.

#### - Competitions TSG

LG read the additional report provided by Laura prior to the meeting with further information on the format of Regional Netball for the 2020-2021 season. For Seniors, friendly matches will be commencing in January 2021. Each team is to play each other once. We will seek indoor venues if possible but with flexibility to allow outdoor venues if indoor ones cannot be secured. There will be no promotion or relegation between divisions at the end of the season and no play off for Premier League or for county teams into the Regional league. The modified rules are to be played up until the point that we can return to the traditional game (if at all) at which point the switch will be made, but the playing schedule will remain unchanged to the end of the season.

The 2021-2022 season will start with the division formats we currently have.

There will be no U16s Regional league for 2020-21. We will hold a tournament at the back end of the season to establish the L&SER Representatives for the National competition.

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We are currently awaiting further information from EN regarding National Schools Competition, however we have identified (in accordance with EN calendar) the 24th January 2021 as a suitable date for the Regional round, with a reserve date of 31st January 2021.

- Coaching & Performance TSG No additional comments
- Communications TSG No additional comments
- Volunteering TSG No additional comments
- Finance TSG No additional comments.
- **Disciplinary Secretary -** No additional comments

Acceptance of County and TSG Chair Reports was proposed by JM and seconded by MC. AGREED unanimously.

## 10. Date of next Annual General meeting

The next AGM was set for Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

MC expressed her thanks and gratitude to KC for her hard work and dedication during her tenure, and wished her well for future endeavors. This was warmly echoed by all members of the RMB. Particular thanks was also extended to JH in her role as President.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.

#### **Meeting Actions**

There were no actions to arise from the meeting.