

Minutes from the VK Barnet Volleyball Club AGM 2024
Friday 15 November at 5.30pm
Southgate School, Sussex Way, Cockfosters, Barnet EN4 0BL

Attendance list :

Sean Poole (Chair)	Jackie Poole (Treasurer)	Chloe Seder-Williams
Eric Hill (Secretary)	Alessio Payet.	Maddison Nolan- Farr
Tom Flesch	Koosha Saffari	Jordan Todev
Alireza Younespouran.	Andrea Francesca.	KC Okonkuo
Michael Surikovus (Gerard)		

Proxy Voters :

None

1. Apologies

Apologies were received prior to the meeting from the following Members :
Gareth Lane (nominated Welfare Officer)

It was noted that the meeting was quorate.

2. Agreement of Minutes from the last AGM

The minutes from last year's AGM were produced to the meeting and were approved.

3. Reports

• **Chair – Sean Poole**

There were good attendances at training sessions for the period September 2023 to March 2024 and the sessions were operating at full capacity. The players/members are developing their skills and they keep coming back so we must be doing a good job. The members come from a wide range of schools although priority is given to Southgate School pupils. They enjoy the end of half term tournaments. The Club finances continue to be healthy and many thanks to Jackie for keeping on top of the receipts and payments. Sean thanked Eric for his hard work and diligence collecting forms and asking for money and generally communicating with the members. The club would not be able to function without Eric chasing up members.

• **Treasurer – Jackie Poole**

We had a good financial year. The club aims to break even each year but due to the increase in members last year we made a surplus of £590.

The total income from members fees was £9554 plus we received a grant of £500 from Volleyball England which gave a total income of £10054. We will leave the members fees the same for this year ie. £3.50 ph.

Our total expenditure was £9463 this was made up of hall hire fees of £1616 and coaches fees of £7119 and Eric's administration fees of £497 for chasing forms and money! Plus £72 for chocolates for the tournaments and £60 bank charges. Our coaches also have to register with Volleyball England so we incurred registration fees of approximately £100.

Our head coach is paid £33 ph and the assistant coaches £18 ph and we will leave these the same for this year.

Looking at the cash flow statement we had £4147.59 cash at bank and in hand on 1 September 2023 and £4737.62 at the end of August this year so the club is in a healthy position to continue .

I would mention that School-Space have taken over the hall bookings but unfortunately we are still getting told that the hall will not be available for some of the sessions we booked, sometimes at short notice. We apologise for this.

- **Secretary – Eric Hill**

The 2023-24 club sessions continued to be full or close to full with X total members. The members came from over X schools and all mixed in well. We aim to make volleyball fun and sociable. Members can come and be themselves and be accepted no matter what is happening in their lives or what mental health issues they are facing.

The secretary's biggest challenge is getting confirmations of places by parents, and payment by the deadline. So each half term there are many chase texts and last minute responses. I would impress on all parents to reply promptly when requested, to ease the need for multiple chases, and overburden the administration process.

The secretary also looks after the Club website and updates it from time to time.. We would like to thank Russell Curtis for continuing to host the club website and register the domain name.

We are applying GDPR and destroying records of those Members that leave the Club.

- **Welfare Officer – Gareth Lane**

It was reported that there had been no issues during the year.

6. Elections

No additional nominations were received at the AGM for any of the posts.

- **Chair**

Nomination for Chair – Sean Poole

Proposed by Eric Hill, seconded by KC and voted for unanimously.

- **Club Secretary**

Nomination for Club Secretary – Eric Hill

Proposed by Jackie Poole, seconded by Andrea and voted for unanimously

- **Treasurer**

Nomination for Treasurer – Jackie Poole

Proposed by Eric Hill, seconded by Chloe Sedzro-Williams and voted for unanimously

- **Welfare Officer**

Nomination for Welfare Officer – Gareth Lane

Proposed by Sean Poole, seconded by Thomas and voted for unanimously.

7. Fees

The Management Committee again confirm that there shall be no annual membership fee and after reviewing the current finances of the club, confirm that Members will continue to pay £3.50 per hour, namely

- £5.25 for every 1 1/2 hour volleyball session they attend;
- £7 for every 2 hour volleyball session they attend;

It was noted that we had not increased the fees for 4 years and that this is excellent value compared to the cost of participating in other sports.

All fee proposals were accepted by unanimous vote

8. Any Other Business

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Chair