

Minute of Stepps Chess Club AGM – held on Thursday, 5/10/17

at 7.15 in Stepps Culutral Centre

In attendance: Jim McIntosh, Andrew Pollock, Douglas Bryson, Ian Brownlee, Graeme Nolan, Peter Thomson, Malcolm Theodoreson, Paul Boyce, Jim Smalls, Iain Marks, Willie Toland. (11)

Jim McIntosh chaired the meeting in absence of Les Melvin. He welcomed those present.

The previous minute was proposed by A Pollock and seconded by I Brownlee.

Apologies: John Henderson, Alan Barlow, Tom Beattie, Alex Gillies, Les Melvin, Jack Peacock, William Hulme, Bob Henery, Mark Conn, Tony Gallagher, Alan MacAulay.

Secretary's Report: Drew Pollock noted that this had been Stepps CC least successful season to date – with the winning of the Dunbartonshire Knock Out and promotion to Division 1 of the National League the main successes.

The Secretary urged members to not analyse games in the kitchen area and to not smoke on the school premises.

Treasurer's Report: A balance sheet was distributed, showing that the club had a slightly poorer balance from previous year. This was healthy enough but this would be impacted by a new team in Division 3 of the GCL, increased costs due to the need to book a second room for busy nights at the club. The treasurer recommended an increase in club fees to £50 (employed adults), £25 (senior citizens) and £10 for juniors (unchanged). After some discussion this was approved by the meeting.

Election of Office Bearers: Andrew Pollock, Jim McIntosh were re-elected as secretary and treasurer. Jim McIntosh agreed to take on role of Club President. The previous season's captains were all elected en bloc - namely Douglas Bryson, Malcolm Theodoreson, William Hulme, Jim McIntosh and Andrew Pollock.

Child Protection Policy: The attention of members was drawn to the policy document and their position in this regard was explained. Members were urged to view the policy – published on the club website.

Prizegiving: DCL Knock Out Trophies were distributed. Douglas Bryson provided some books as prizes for those best performing individuals in each team.

AOCB: The secretary advised members to comply with any requests from the janitors – in particular to ensure that the premises were vacated by 10pm.

The meeting was closed at 8pm.