

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the Special General Meeting held at the Bonnington Hotel, London, on Saturday 6th July 1991 commencing at 3.30 pm

Present: J A Leach MBE (President), J Prean (Chairman), A E Ransome (Deputy Chairman) P H M Hillier (Treasurer)

Vice Chairmen

M Allsop (Administration), S J Sneyd (Development/Coaching), J Beckley (Public Relations), G R Yates

Hon Life Members

Messrs R J Crayden, K T O Ponting, Mrs D M Stannard, A E Upton, K Watts, A J H Wickens, J M Wright, G R Yates

Vice Presidents

C A Burden, L A Chatwin, B G Fretwell, W G Goldfinch, D J Moss, L J Smith

Accredited Representatives - County Associations

Avon (Mrs J L Watts), Bedfordshire (Mr G G Hammond), Buckinghamshire (Mr A C Catchpole), Cambridgeshire (Mr P Day), Cheshire (Mr T Vardon), Cleveland (Mrs J Ransome), Cornwall (Mr P Hancock), Derbyshire (Mr T Gadsby), Devonshire (Mr K T O Ponting), Dorset (Mr D J Beverley), Essex (Mrs G Squier), Gloucestershire (Mr L J Smith), Hampshire (Mr H Albery), Hertfordshire (Mr H G Stevens), Isle of Wight (Mrs E Prean), Kent (Mr B J Rowley), Lancashire (Mr A E Upton), Leicestershire (Mr M R Holt), Lincolnshire (Mr K Eliot), Middlesex (Mr M Close), Northamptonshire (Mr K J Marchant), Shropshire (Mr G M G Twiss), Somerset (Mr A Carey), Staffordshire (Mr I Knights), Suffolk (Mr H F J Newman), Surrey (Mr J C T Cartwright), Sussex (Mr C T Hyland), Warwickshire (Mr S Parr), Wiltshire (Mr D M Parsons), Worcestershire (Mr D J Moss), Yorkshire (Mr E Hill)

Accredited Representatives - Non-County Local League

None

Accredited Representatives - Local Leagues

Bristol (Mrs J L Watts), Derby (Mr M Allsop), Eastbourne (Mr J Woodford), North Herts (Mr J Jermyn), Slough (Mr G Trimming), Wembley/Harrow (Mr G Walsh), Weston super Mare (Mrs A P Archdale)

Other Members

Mr B Lamerton and Mr C R Oakman (National Councillors), Mrs V Clack and Mrs K Tonge (Regional Chairmen), Mr B R J Webb (Appeals Board), Miss D L Moors (National Teams Committee), Mr J Wood and Mr M Loveder (Table Tennis News), Mrs M Darnell, Mrs V Roffe and Messrs L Darnell, P Dukes, P Roden and M Watts (Essex), Mr J Randall (Middlesex), Mr G Taylor (Warwickshire), Mr B D Turner (Bournemouth), Mrs C A Beames (Brighton), Mrs C Oakman (Burnham), Mr K Wilson (Darlington), Mr M Hanley (Derby), Messrs K Muhr, A Tebby, L Wooding (Milton Keynes), Mrs D Jermyn (North Herts), Mr P Avenell (Slough), Mr R Clack (Swindon), Mr J Fairweather (Thames Valley), Mr K Lyons (Vetts), Messrs R Habgood, D Lomas and C J Warren.

In Attendance

Miss E Shaw (Chief Executive), Mr R H Sinclair (General Secretary), Mr R J Stevens (Finance Officer), Mr J Tee (Events Manager),

1. STANDING ORDERS (DOCUMENT 2631/1/AW)

Standing Orders as circulated were accepted.

2. APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

It was proposed, seconded and agreed that Miss E Shaw and Mr C A Burden be appointed Tellers for the meeting.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All apologies for absence were noted.

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4. PROPOSED ALTERNATION TO RULES (PROPOSED ON BEHALF OF NATIONAL COUNCIL BY MR K WATTS, RULES COMMITTEE)

Amend Rule 16.8: for "seven" substitute "not fewer than 6 nor more than 8"

Amend Rule 16.10: before "Departments" delete "other six"; after "Departments" insert "other than Finance"

Amend Rule 17.2: for "each of the six" substitute "the"; after "Rule 16.10" insert ", one to head each of the Departments except Finance referred to in Rule 16.8"

Amend Rule 17.4: for "a seventh" substitute "an additional"

Amend Rule 17.5: for "17" substitute "17.4"

Mr A E Ransome (Chairman Elect) explained that when first appointed as Chairman the first task was to appoint a Management team. At the moment there were seven departments allowed but for efficiency eight were needed, with the result that one department must be amalgamated leading to less efficiency. National Council had agreed to call a Special General Meeting to request an increase of one department and he urged the meeting to support the proposition. On being put to the vote the proposition was carried on a show of hands.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the Special General Meeting.