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AGM Minutes- 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the rationale for moving the AGM to be part of the Club Conference.

### Minutes of Last Meeting.

The minutes of the previous were agreed and signed as true and accurate record.

### **Annual Report**

The Chair introduced the Annual Report explaining that the RYA NI strategy, Navigating the Future, had been launched in March and the RYA Strategy Together on the Water along with new branding had been launched. The new brand allowed for all of RYA to be the same whilst allowing for individuality in the Home Countries.

It was noted that the RYA awards had taken place the night before and Jack Kennedy SLYC and Richard Robinson CAYC had both received awards.

It was also noted that the first inductees had been introduced into the RYA NI Hall of Fame. Members were informed that the Women and Girls Research had concluded, and findings had been released.

It was also noted that Safeguarding was an area of continued concern and Culture and Integrity review across all Home Countries.

Members were also informed that the team had expanded during the year with the addition of Kate Broderick as Pathways Officer and Peter Gilmore as Marketing and Communications Executive. Thanks to the Board and all club volunteers for all they do.

GY thanked everyone who had welcomed him over the year and remained keen to get out and support clubs. Highlights of the Annual Report 45% increase from sport in. Kate's role looking at how we keep people in the sport. Growth in club membership. Twenty different workshops engaging 300 people.

## **Annual Accounts**

22-23 relatively normal year and ended with a small surplus of £719. DW talked members through the accounts highlighting that there was a small surplus of £719. It was noted that there was an increase of funding from SNI however, it was unclear about the future. It was

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noted that bank accounts had been moved during the year and the possible deposit accounts were being investigated. The accounts were approved.

## Auditors

It was proposed to re-appoint Goldblatt McGuigan as auditors.

Members approved the re-appointment of Goldblatt McGuigan

## **Election of Directors**

The Chair thanked members for supporting the written resolution in relation to changes to the Articles of Association. The resolution had been passed and the updated Articles had been filed with Companies House.

The meeting was informed that Peter Kennedy was stepping down as Performance Committee Chair and following a nomination process, Colin Leonard had been nominated for the position. The meeting elected Collin Leonard as Performance Committee chair.

## **Any Other Business**

There were no other questions.

## **Chair's Closing Remarks**

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and a special thanks to David Williams for all his hard work as Treasurer.