

ENGLISH SKI COUNCIL LTD

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT HEAD OFFICE, AREA LIBRARY BUILDING, HALESOWEN B63 4AJ at 10.35 a.m. on SATURDAY 12th MAY 2007

Present:

Stewart Smith	-	Chairman
David Hart	-	Director
Nigel Matthews	-	Director
Maureen Cumberlidge	-	Director
Barry Spouge	-	Director
Nick Parr	-	Director elect
Peter Stratton	-	Director elect
Trish Chalk	-	Chief Executive Officer / Company Secretary
Julie Copestick	-	Snowsport England Staff
Ian Holloway	-	Snowsport England Staff
Jenny Wyatt	-	Snowsport England Staff
Tony Archbold	-	ESSkiA/WMSA
Piet Van Kempen	-	ERSA
Jo Stockhouse	-	North Staffs Ski Club
Martin Carr	-	Freestyle Committee Leader
Jeff Elmore	-	Midland Ski Club/WMSA
Gill Hall	-	Alpine Racing Committee Leader
Diana Horth	-	Midland Ski Club
Andrew Jeffries	-	NWSF
Adam Pinney	-	Nordic Key Committee Leader
John Shedden	-	Coaches Representative on Council
Chris Stroud	-	Tutor
Sandy Telling	-	Wycombe Phoenix Ski Club/LSERSA
Gillian Gilyead	-	
Hilary Field	-	LNRSC
Paddy Field	-	LNRSC
Dick Eves	-	Norfolk Ski Club
Peter Handford – Styring	-	Sharks Ski Club and YSF
Richard Barbour	-	BSSOA
Ralph White	-	Manchester Cross Country Ski Club
Gill Todd	-	
June Hale	-	
Kevin Smallwood	-	National Coaching Scheme Representative

Apologies were received from:

Richard Berry	Dennis Cadman
Bob Castle	Dave Clarke
John Clinton	Mike Creasor
Barry Easton	Chris Exall
Peter Hinde	Eddy Kirk
Joan Evans	
Alan Jones	
Gordon Tait	

1. **Presentations**

The membership presented a gift to June Hale who left Snowsport England at the end of 2006 after 19 years.

The eighth year's presentations for services to skiing were made to Gillian Gilyead for her work for Snowsport England.

Dick Eves for services to Nordic Skiing, Junior and adaptive skiing at Norfolk Ski Club.

Paddy Field for services to Nordic skiing

Gill Todd for service to Snowsport England and Alpine racing

Sue Hatch for services to skiing whilst managing Gosling Ski Centre.

2. **Minutes**

It was proposed by Sandy Telling and seconded by Piet Van Kempen, and agreed without dissent, to accept the minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting held on 20th May 2006 and the EGM on the 18th November 2006.

3. **Annual Accounts for Year Ended 31st December 2006**

The Directors' and Auditor's Reports and the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2006* had been circulated to all Full Members and published on the internet, and were received, having been signed on behalf of the Board by Stewart Smith and David Hart.

Trish gave a short presentation * reviewing the last financial year, explaining the revisions to processes and budgeting. She thanked the Key Committee Leaders for their help in setting the 2007 budgets and the support in the last year in developing the financial strategy.

It was proposed by Andrew Jeffries and seconded by Gill Hall, and agreed without dissent, that the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2006 be accepted.

4. **Annual Report**

Trish Chalk gave a presentation * on results of the 12 month Plan; and the objectives for the next 3 years. The Annual Report for 2006 * had been circulated to all Full Members and published on the Internet site, and was received by the meeting.

The Coaching report was circulated at the meeting with one query about the status of the ASCL review from Gillian Gilyead. Nigel Matthews informed the process has begun in 2007, and the working group is due to meet next month.

It was proposed by Martin Carr and seconded by Sandy Telling, and agreed without dissent that the Annual Report for 2006 be accepted.

5. **Elections to Council**

a) **Coaches' Representative**

John Shedden had agreed to stand for re-election, and, in the absence of other nominations, was declared duly re-elected.

b) **Non-Regional Members' Representative (2 positions)**

Richard Berry had agreed to stand for re-election as one of the Non-Regional Members' Representatives and, in the absence of other nominations, was declared duly re-elected; the second position remained vacant.

* inserted in minute book for record purposes

c) National Coaching Scheme Members' Representative

Kevin Smallwood had agreed to stand for re-election and Peter Hanford Styring had been duly nominated and seconded for election as National Coaching Scheme Members' Representative. The Chairman announced that after a postal ballot Peter Hanford Styring was appointed to that position.

d) Associate Members' Representative (1 position)

No nominations for the position of Associate Members' Representative had been received and therefore it remained vacant.

6. Auditor

It was proposed by Martin Carr and seconded by Jeff Elmore, and agreed without dissent, that Stephen W. Jones be re-appointed auditors of the company, at a fee determined by the Board.

7. Election of Officers

a) Chair

Stewart Smith had been elected in 2006 for two years as Chairman and would stand for re-election in 2008.

b) Finance Director

Maureen Whyatt-Cumberlidge had been elected in 2006 for two years as the position of Finance Director and would stand for re-election in 2008.

c) Directors

David Hart, and Nigel Matthews had been elected in 2006 for two years and would stand for re-election in 2008.

Barry Spouge was willing to stand again and was declared duly elected, for the next two years.

Peter Stratton was proposed to the Board by Folkestone Ski Club and seconded by Wycombe Phoenix. There being no other nominations received, he was declared duly elected, for the next two years.

Nick Parr was proposed to the Board by Sharks Ski Club and seconded by Manchester Cross Country Ski Club. There being no other nominations received, he was declared duly elected, for the next two years.

13. AOB

Modernisation

The Board has been tasked at the EGM of 18th November 2006 to progress with the aspects of Modernisation. The HNGB Chief Executives and Chairmen had met and agreed to progress two areas, UK Membership system and UK Coach Award Scheme.

Membership; a draft proposal has been developed and will be presented at the Council meeting after the AGM.

Coaching; there has been a Heads of Agreement document proposed about how the Home Nations will work together in the future and what are respective roles are in delivery, this should be agreed and signed off by Congress, after review at the Welsh Board meeting on the 13th May.

14. Presentations

In closing the meeting, the Stewart thanked the Board for their work during the last year and the volunteers who really make the organization work. He also thanked the staff in the office for their hard work and presented them each with a bouquet of flowers.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.25 a.m.