



## AGM minutes 2021

Monday, 04.05.2021, Zoom Online Call

**Attendance:** Rachel Kehoe, Dirk Sanders, Dale Unsworth, Charlotte Martin-Taylor, Dave Webster, Mike Langshaw, Dan Purkis, Mark Thrower, Katie Ellis, Gary Cahill-Richards, Adrian Scamp, Ollly Spooner, Gary Duxbury, Toby Coker, Mark Thrower, Toby Barber, Beth Hall

### 1 – CHAIR’S WELCOME AND REPORT

Chair welcomed everyone and acknowledged a challenging year for the club. However, hoping to get club events going in the next few weeks.

### 2 – COMMITTEE MEMBER’S REPORTS

- Communications (Dave Webster): Dave has built a new website and online payments (webcollect) set up. April to March subscriptions are being taken and the system manages the club paddles and taster session bookings. Facebook members only page set up. WhatsApp group now preferred committee member communication method. Katie Ellis led the thanks to Dave for his efforts.
- Development - (Dirk Sanders). Development has gone the wrong way in the last year due to the challenges the club has faced. More qualified people required - but the good news is that several people have signed up for the BC bursary scheme. Hope that club will emerge from this even stronger.
- Treasurer’s report (Mike Langshaw)- Audited accounts completed for the past two years. Accounts are attached to these minutes. Last year has meant a decrease in income, but also a decrease in outgoings as some are member-number dependant. Expected to have a dip in available funds next year. Toby Barber asked if fundraising was needed. Mike confirmed that the club has circa £12k and so that isn’t necessary. The accounts were formally agreed.
- Secretary (Dale Unsworth) - It was reported that, following a session with British Canoeing, it became apparent that there were several areas where the club could improve. Several committee members have worked hard in these areas, and the club is now heading in the right way. More to be covered in section 8 below.

- Membership - Dave Webster reported circa 20 members - either committee or paid.
- Kit officer - Katie Ellis went to the waterspouts centre recently and reported all ok. However, proposed an audit of kit this coming weekend. Arranged for Saturday at 10am.
- Watersports Centre update (Katie) - Beth Hall reported mud and detritus around the cage. Katie to raise with FWSA. Otherwise, not much news. Katie was concerned about FWSA desire for her to be a director, which she does not wish to become. Mike Langshaw said that their invoice was overdue, which he is chasing.

### **3 – NOMINATIONS & ELECTION OF THE 2021 COMMITTEE**

The committee was agreed as follows:

Chairman (Rachel Kehoe)

Communications (Dave Webster)

Social Secretary (Dan Purkis)

Secretary (inc Pool bookings) (Dale Unsworth)

Membership Secretary (Toby Coker)

Welfare Officer (Charlotte Martin-Taylor)

Treasurer (inc link to FWSA) (Mike Langshaw)

Kit Officer (Toby Barber and Mark Thrower)

Development Officer/ leadership (Dirk Sanders, sharing with Katie Ellis)

Safety Officer (Chris Baker)

Student representation - Ash Kahn

Other committee members - Adrian Scamp, Beth Hall, Olly Spooner, Gary Duxbury

### **4 - MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2021**

To remain the same

Adults - £60

Students - £50

Rack rental - £50

### **5. DOCUMENT RATIFICATION**

Constitution - was agreed with amendments. DU to amend and DW to post on the website

Risk assessments rewritten and to be reviewed by all. Designated leaders to ensure that they are fully familiar with them

Values and visions of the club were agreed

### **6. DELEGATION OF EXPERIENCED LEADERS**

Katie Ellis stated that she considered that the following individuals met the requirements of BC's experienced paddler designation, all either having got the 4\* qualification or having had 4\* training: Adrian Scamp, Dirk Sanders, Rachel Kehoe, Dave Webster, Dan Purkis, Olly Spooner. Katie, as level 2 coach, to write a note to that effect, which will allow them to lead paddles. Leaders to nominate seconds based on their own judgment.

### **7. FKSC**

Ash, starts presidency in 2 days time. She reported that the student club currently has 4 members but that 115 students signed up interest for this year. She is concerned that experienced paddlers are leaving and, combined with FCCs statement that FKSC should register separately with BC, was worried about how the student club might remobilise. Rachel and Dale to discuss with Ash outside of the AGM forum

It was agreed that FKSC will not pay subs for the 20/21 year (£200). This will enable them to have a bit of seed money to remobilise.

#### **8. GETTING BACK ON THE WATER**

DU stated that he thought that the club compliance with BC requirements was back on the right track, but there were still some areas for improvement. It was agreed that DU would arrange a meeting with BC prior to the first paddle of the year, currently scheduled for 10th May 2021, and feed back to the committee.

Kit wash on Saturday

#### **9. AOB**

New committee members to send contact details to Dave Webster  
Dale Unsworth to send role profiles for recognised BC committee roles

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