**Minutes of Ceredigion Snooker League Annual General Meeting held at Aberaeron Hall on Thursday 5’th September 2019.**

**Present**: Adrian Williams (Secretary), Andrew James(Chairman), Dilwyn Smith(Vice Chairman & Fixture Secretary), Dai Morgan (Treasurer), Marc Rees (Felindre), Euros Davies (Llanarth), Rhydian Jones (Felindre), Andy Green (Rhydlewis), Stafford Morgan (Rhydlewis), Gethin Davies (Rhydlewis), Eifion Harries (Rhydlewis), Peter McGarrigle (Penparcau), Rhodri Morgan (Aberaeron), Mitch Thompson (Beulah), Emyr Thomas (Beulah) and Chris Herbert (Felindre).

1. **Apologies**: Ryan Powell (Rhydlewis), Brian Smith (Llandysul).
2. **Minutes of last AGM**: The minutes were confirmed to be correct by Dai Morgan and seconded by Marc Rees.
3. **Matters Arising:** The Secretary stated that he will try and get a discount from Aeron Printers when the next publications are requested to cover the duplicate payment made in 2017/18.
4. **Appointment of Officials:**   
   All league officials were reappointed into their posts on block.  
   Proposed by Euros Davies and Seconded by Rhydian Jones.

**Appointed Officials 2019/20**:  
Chairman: Andrew James  
Vice Chairman: Dilwyn Smith  
Secretary: Adrian Williams  
Treasurer: Dai Morgan  
Fixture Secretary Dilwyn Smith  
President Marc Rees

1. **League Formation**: Tables as at the end of last year:

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|  | **Division 1** |  |  |  |  | **Division 2** |  |  |
| 1 | Felindre A | 16 | 111 |  | 1 | Llanarth | 18 | 104 |
| 2 | Penparcau | 16 | 96 |  | 2 | Felindre C | 18 | 96 |
| 3 | Felindre B | 16 | 76 |  | 3 | Llanon | 18 | 93 |
| 4 | Aberaeron D | 16 | 71 |  | 4 | Rhydlewis C | 18 | 91 |
| 5 | Llandysul A | 16 | 68 |  | 5 | Lampeter | 18 | 89 |
| 6 | Aberaeron B | 16 | 60 |  | 6 | Beulah B | 18 | 82 |
| 7 | Rhydlewis A | 16 | 60 |  | 7 | Llandysul C | 18 | 79 |
| 8 | Aberaeron A | 16 | 59 |  | 8 | Llandysul B | 18 | 79 |
| 9 | Rhydlewis B | 16 | 47 |  | 9 | Aberaeron C | 18 | 59 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 10 | Felindre D | 18 | 38 |

Two new teams have requested to enter the league – Penparcau B and Llanarth B.   
One team has withdrawn from the league – Llandysul A.  
  
After some deliberation it was decided to promote the top team Llanarth A from Division 2 and not relegate any teams from Division 1. The new Penparcau B team will go straight into Division 1. This would give a split of 10 teams in Division 1 and 10 teams in Division2.  
  
It was agreed that Aberaeron A , Aberaeron B , Beulah, Felindre C, Felindre D, Llandysul B and Rhydlewis C will play all their home games on Wednesdays. Where problems arise with fixture dates then the captains are expected to resolve the issues amongst themselves.  
  
The league formation was proposed by Stafford Morgan and seconded by Rhodri Morgan.  
  
It was agreed to start the league on Thursday 26’th September 2019.  
The first half of the season will run from 26’th September to 5’th Dec and the second half from 9’th Jan to 26’th March.

1. **Treasurers Report**: The Treasurer read out the statement of accounts. He stated that all teams were up to date with their payments and that we have had another good accounting year.  
   The Treasurer’s report was approved and agreed as correct by the committee.  
   Proposed by Peter McGarrigle and seconded by Marc Rees.
2. **Fees**:   
   **a) League Fees**: It was decided not to change the league fees for the 2019/20 season from £30 per team due to a healthy accounting year. This was proposed by Dai Morgan and seconded by Rhodri Morgan.  
     
   **b) Secretaries Fees**: It was agreed not to change the fees from £200 for the 2019/20 season.  
   Proposed by Marc Rees and Seconded by Andrew James.

**c) Web Developers Fees**: It was agreed not to change the fees from £50 for the 2019/20 season.  
Proposed by Adrian Williams and Seconded by Dai Morgan.

1. **Sponsorship and Raffle:**The Treasurer stated that BTG were in the process of being taken over by another company and therefore it was not a good time to attain a sponsorship deal. The Secretary has sent sponsorship letters out to Oil 4 Wales, Castell Howell Foods and Anthony Motors. No response has been received back as yet.  
     
   It was agreed to hold a raffle this year. The secretary will liaise with clubs to gather raffle prizes and get the raffle tickets produced.
2. **Proposals:  
   a) To re-introduce prize money for individual competitions (Many members).**Removing the prize money last year was a very unpopular decision with the majority of members and resulted in many members asking for this proposal to be chaired. This was unanimously agreed and proposed by Chris Herbert and seconded by Rhydian Jones.  
     
   **b) Cups and Shields to be brought to Individual Competitions by the current holder (Andy Green).**   
   This was unanimously agreed and proposed by Andy Green and seconded by Rhodri Morgan.  
     
   **c) Foul Language, verbal outbursts and bad sportsmanship creeping into the league (Felindre).**Andrew James stated that there has been a decline in the etiquette of some players in the league over the past few years, with a lot more verbal outbursts, bad language and criticism of venues and playing conditions. It was agreed to amend the league rules to stress the importance of etiquette and good sportsmanship. The Secretary also said he will email out to all members reminding them of the code of conduct that is expected. This was unanimously agreed and proposed by Rhodri Morgan and seconded by Gethin Davies.
3. **Any Other Matters**:   
   **a)** Donald Newcombe competed for Wales B in the Home Internationals senior event, and performed well, eventually losing in the final. It was felt that this should be acknowledged via a letter of congratulations and a mention on the league website.  
     
   **b)** A discussion took place around playing the individual singles and doubles competitions at the end of the season when players will be playing their best instead of at the beginning. It was agreed that there would be a swap around with the handicapped singles and doubles to accommodate this.  
     
   **c)** It was discussed and agreed to start the individual competitions at the earlier time of 11am in order to avoid the late finishes that have happened in past years. It was also agreed that players should be registered by 10.45 and that the competitions start at 11am.  
     
   **d)** A discussion took place around who is eligible to take part in individual competitions. It was decided to amend the rules slightly to allow all registered players plus in exception any players that played the previous year via written request. This would have to be agreed by the league committee.  
     
   **e)** The Chairman noted the sad passing of Gilmore Jones (Bwm Bach) of Llandysul Snooker Club who had recently sadly passed away.
4. **Date of Next AGM Meeting**: It was agreed to hold the next AGM on Thursday 3’rd September 2020 at Aberaeron Memorial Hall.