

NORTHERN CRICKET UNION OF IRELAND

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013

Minutes of the Union's Annual General Meeting held in the Shaw's Bridge Sports Association Clubhouse on 16 October 2013.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from I Anderson, a Campbell and M Power.

2. Minutes of the Previous AGM

The minutes of the 2012 AGM held on 17 October 2012 were agreed as a correct record on the proposal of R Harrison and seconded by C Hiles.

3. Adoption of Annual Report and Statement of Accounts

The General Secretary Bryan Milford spoke on the 2013 Annual Report.

The Annual Report was adopted on the proposal of N Matthews, seconded by N Latham.

The Hon Treasurer Dawn Johnston spoke on the 2013 Statement of Accounts. She pointed out that the financial climate continues to be tough for the Union and a number of its member clubs. Careful monitoring of costs will be required going forward.

The Statement of Accounts was adopted on the proposal of R Johnson, seconded by W Boyd.

4. Proposed Alteration to General Rules – Serial 2

Serial 2. Proposed by Management Board. To replace the existing four Directorates with three and make consequential amendments to other Rules.

The serial was carried.

5. Election of Honorary Officers

It was noted that nominations to the Honorary Officers' position had been invited by 15 September 2013.

The General Secretary advised that the following nominations had been received:

		Nominated by
President:	WR Boyd	Management Board
Vice President	P McMorran	Management Board
Chairman	A Clement	Management Board
Vice Chairman	A Waite	Management Board
Hon Secretary	J Quinn	Management Board
Hon Treasurer	D Johnston	Management Board
Director of Domestic Cricket	N Matthews	Management Board
Director of Representative Cricket	B Walsh	Management Board
		Instonians CC
Director of Finance and Policy	D Johnston	Management Board

The nominees were declared elected.

6. Election of Assistant Directors

It was noted that nominations to the Assistant Director positions had been invited by 15 September 2013.

The General Secretary advised that the following nominations had been received:

		Nominated by
Domestic Cricket	RF Bell	Management Board Carrickfergus CC
Representative Cricket	A Waite	Management Board
Finance and Policy (2)	RJ Johnson	Management Board Instonians CC
	J Caldwell	Management Board Ballymena CC

The nominees were declared elected.

7. Election of Club Nominees to Management Board

It was noted that nominations from clubs to the Management Board had been invited by 15 September 2013.

The General Secretary advised that the following nominations had been received:

	Nominated by
Wylie McKinty	Larne CC
David Skelton	Derriaghy CC

The nominees were declared elected.

8. Election of Club Nominees to Directorates

It was noted that nominations to Directorates had been invited by 15 September 2013.

The General Secretary advised that the following nominations had been received:

	Nominated by
Domestic Cricket Directorate	
Adrian Campbell	Laurelvale CC
Steven Dyer	CSNI CC
Wylie McKinty	Larne CC
Andrew Rose	Instonians CC
Peter Shields	North Down CC
David Skelton	Derriaghy CC
Representative Cricket Directorate	
Ian Johnston	Carrickfergus CC
Andrew Rose	Instonians CC

Finance and Policy Directorate

Alistair Burton	Carrickfergus CC
Wylie McKinty	Larne CC
Darren Ross	Instonians CC

The nominees were declared elected.

9. Election of Auditors

Cleaver Black were elected as the Union's auditors on the proposal of R Johnson, seconded by J Caldwell.

10. Proposed Alterations to General and Competition Rules – Serial 1 and Serials 3-10

Serial 1. Proposed by Finance and Sponsorship Directorate. To increase schools' affiliation fees from £50 to £75 for grammar/secondary schools and from £35 to £45 for preparatory/primary schools. The serial was carried.

Serial 3. Proposed by Competitions Directorate. To remove the obsolete requirement for clubs to provide multiple paper copies of registrations. The serial was carried.

Serial 4. Proposed by Management Board. To extend the requirement to submit a Supplementary Information form to any player who did not play NCU cricket during the previous season and who has, during the previous three years played regular 1st XI cricket elsewhere or played representative cricket at U19 or higher level. The serial was carried.

Serial 5. Proposed by Management Board. To provide a more complete definition of a player entitled to be treated as Irish. The serial was carried.

Serial 6. Proposed by Armagh CC. To introduce the use of Duckworth/Lewis in all rounds of the Junior Cup. The serial was carried.

Serial 7. Proposed by Armagh CC. To increase the maximum length of innings in the semi-finals and final of the Minor (Lindsay) Cup and the Minor Qualifying Cup by five overs. The serial was carried.

Serial 8. Proposed by Competitions Directorate. To reduce annual promotion and relegation between the top two sections of the Junior League from two teams to one. The serial was carried.

Serial 9. Proposed by Armagh CC. To reduce the maximum innings length in Section 2 of the Senior League from 50 overs to 40. The serial was lost

Serial 10. Proposed by Competitions Directorate. To put in place arrangements for the shortening of weather-delayed Match 2 fixtures in Section 3 of the Senior League and Junior League Sections 2 and below with the Duckworth/Lewis method being used in Section 3 of the Senior League. The serial was carried.

11. Presentation of McMorran Award

The President W Boyd presented W McCormick of Holywood CC with the McMorran Award for voluntary service to cricket.

12. Any Other Business

A Clement spoke of the honour to himself and his club, Muckamore CC, on being elected as Chairman of the Union.

He thanked his predecessor B Walsh for his work, dedication and Commitment over the past two years.

His two wishes for the Union going forward would be to increase the number of junior and adult teams participating and to see the appointment of a Union Development Officer.

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm.