

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LCBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD BY ZOOM 26/8/20

1. Present: Dean Benton (Chair), Dave Pollard (notes), John Wilcox, Bill Barclay, Dick Pathan, Richard Rees.
Apologies: Neil Beasley, Pat Beasley.
2. Minutes of last meeting accepted as correct.
3. Matters arising: John Wilcox has certificates for league winners in hand.
4. EBU matters. No feedback from the Committee on EBU revised strategy.
5. Midlands Counties Working Group. The Midlands Counties League is likely to be organised as an online Swiss teams event.
6. Treasurer's business. Richard Rees has finalised the accounts and circulated them to the Committee. Richard was thanked for the clarity of his presentation. Michael Jones (Bradgate treasurer) acted as independent examiner and is willing to continue. It was agreed to put a motion to the AGM to retain the club P2P component at 8p for 2020-21.
7. General Secretary's business. A) AGM. Dean Benton proposed that he, Dave Pollard and Steve Wright should have a pre-meeting to run through the technicalities of holding the AGM on Zoom. Current office holders were willing to stand again. Bill Barclay was nominated for Executive Committee by Neil Beasley and seconded by Dave Pollard. Dave has contacted members of sub-committees to ascertain whether they are prepared to continue in those roles. So far the replies have been positive. The meeting considered possible future committee members. B) Online bridge. The Saturday morning pairs had not been well supported and will be reviewed by the online TSC. There will be an online virtual Stanley aimed at NGS10 and above, and a teams of 4 competition (in Swiss format if there are sufficient numbers, otherwise as a league).
8. Fixtures Secretary's business. None.
9. League Secretary's business. None
10. Tournament Secretary's business. Neil Beasley had sent a report with questions and wanted it stressed that the Stanley Trophy would not be awarded for the online Stanley competition. While pairs competitions would be paid for in \$BBO we can set our own fee for teams competitions and collect it offline.
11. Education Secretary's business. Dave Pollard reported that he had cancelled the Bridge in a Weekend event.
12. Membership Secretary's business. Pat Beasley sent a report recording a recent death.

13. Other business: none.

14. Next meeting 30 September AGM followed by special meeting to finalise sub-committee membership and deal with any urgent business.

Meeting closed 8.15.