

**Minutes of the Northern Ireland Orienteering Association EGM held at
Portstewart Strand, Co Londonderry
on Saturday 5 September 2015**

The meeting commenced at 11:17. 26 members attended (2 FermO, 18 LVO, 6 NWOC).

Apologies. Richard McCourt, Susan Lambe

Membership fees

Hon Secretary Stephen Gilmore reminded the meeting that at the AGM it had been agreed to establish a sub-committee to make recommendations for membership fees for 2016 and invited Wilbert Hollinger who had been part of the subcommittee to make a presentation.

Wilbert reported that the sub-committee had understood the desire from the membership to reduce the NIOA portion of the membership fee. On behalf of the sub-committee, Wilbert proposed that the senior NIOA membership fee currently £13.50 be reduced to £5.50 which would mean that the total fee including club and BOF fee would be £15.00. Wilbert also proposed that clubs pay an event levy to NIOA equivalent to 50% of the BOF levy. Therefore a similar income would be generated for NIOA. This was seconded by Raymond Finlay and agreed with one abstention.

Financial Report. Hon Secretary Stephen Gilmore reminded the meeting that draft accounts had been approved at the AGM, as the date had been very close to the end of the financial year. Subsequently there had been some minor modifications. However it has also been requested that consolidated accounts be prepared to include the coaching juniors accounts, so that all monies would be accounted for.

Final and audited accounts were circulated and the key differences from the previous draft accounts were pointed out. Income had increased from £16,414.71 to £17,429.71, expenditure had increased from £18,267.55 to £19,892.51 with the decrease in funds changing from £1,853.14 to £2,462.80 and funds at 31 March changing from £40,094.95 to £42,044.70. Stephen Gilmore proposed acceptance of the accounts, which was seconded by Philip Baxter and agreed.

Committee and Vice-Chairman. Hon Secretary Stephen Gilmore explained that Charity Commission of NI had made contact subsequent to registration to point out that the number on committee was not consistent with the constitution. The constitution states that the committee should comprise of the officers plus 8 additional committee members. Prior to the AGM it had been noted that there were only 7 additional committee members so this had been regularized at the AGM with the additional appointment of Des Fletcher. However what had not been noticed is that there should 4 officers, with the office of Vice-Chairman requiring formal appointment. Stephen Gilmore therefore proposed that Anthony McGonigle be appointed to committee and current committee member Philip Baxter be appointed as Vice-Chairman. This was seconded by Gordon Black and agreed.

Any Other Business

There was no further business

The meeting closed at 11:28.