Cambridge University Karate Club

Annual General Meeting - Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2021

Opening

The Annual General Meeting of the Cambridge University Karate Club (CUKC) was called to order by Alex Russell at 5.00 PM (London time) and took place online via Zoom.

Present

Alex Russell, President Abby Wheeler, Vice-President Danielle Ball, Women's Captain Maeve Brittle, Social Secretary Millie Morgan, Welfare and Safety Officer Christoph Hess, Secretary Olivia Lavigne, Junior Treasurer Daoyuan Qian, Webmaster Paul Smith, Old-Karateka Association Officer Richard Poole, Chief Club Instructor Tegwen Ecclestone, Club Member Herve Vandekerckhove, Club Member Putu Agus Khorisantono, Club Member Camille Fontaine, Club Member Sam Hill, Club Member Alex Duncan, Club Member Millie Johal, Club Member Tom Mutian Xu, Club Member

Fei Yuan, Club Member Fizz McNally, Club Member Axel Boerrigter, Club Member

Absent (committee members)

Chris Hamilton, Men's Captain Eleanor Lee, Publicity Officer

Agenda

The President suggested three topics for discussion, in the following order:

- Approval of the voting record of the 2020 AGM record and the minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) held in June
- 2. Approval of the accounts for the previous year
- 3. Committee elections

The order was approved by the participants.

Ad 1) Approval of the previous AGM's voting record and the EGM meeting minutes

Discussion: The minutes from (i) the previous AGM, held on 13 March 2020, as well as (ii) the EGM still needed formal approval by a General Meeting of the Club. As to (i), Alex suggested that the section of those minutes referring to the thereafter invalidated changes to the constitution be removed and the AGM minutes thereafter referred to as a 'voting record' of the previous AGM. Regarding (ii), the EGM minutes had already been circulated to the Club by email, and after a number of requested changes had been made to the minutes, tacitly approved by the Club's membership. Formal approval, however, was still pending.

Decision: The meeting participants agreed unanimously to remove the section referring to changes

to the constitution in the previous AGM meeting minutes and to approve it in this modified form as a voting record of the 2020 AGM. The EGM meeting minutes were approved.

Ad 2) Budgets and accounts

Discussion: The most recent accounts had been circulated to the Club by e-mail on 8 March 2021. No questions or complaints had been addressed to the President or the Junior Treasurer regarding these accounts before the Annual General Meeting. Olivia shortly presented the Accounts. Although the Club had expected to conclude this year with a heavy loss, it almost reached breakeven due to high training participation, especially in Michaelmas Term. Whether the Club can break even this year is still conditional on the Sports Service grant, which has been delayed due to the pandemic, but it is expected that the grant will come through and cover at least the cost for using the Sports Centre in Michaelmas Term. The Club might still make a loss of about £200, which is mainly because most free college venues were off bounds for the last year, so additional training venues had to be rented at a cost. However, even a loss of £200 is largely within the expected range of yearly fluctuation in the accounts and is unlikely to pose any problems for the future operation of the club.

Decision: The accounts were unanimously approved.

Ad 3) Committee elections

Discussion: All candidates introduced themselves, followed by questions from the committee member who previously held the position they were applying for, and then by questions from the other meeting participants. The speeches and questions are not rendered here. Voting took place anonymously via the Zoom polling function and the President announced the results immediately. A number of members had cast their vote in advance by email, as allowed by the Club Constitution. The results, listed in the order of voting, were as follows:

Committee Position	Candidate	Votes at the	E-Mail Votes	Total Votes
		Meeting		
Social Secretary	Fizz McNally	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
President	Danielle Ball	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Vice-President	Sam Hill	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Women's Captain	Alex Duncan	7	5	12
	Millie Johal	13	2	15
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Men's Captain	Tom Xu	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Secretary	Christoph Hess	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Junior Treasurer	Axel Boerrigter	20	4	24
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Welfare & Safety Officer	Abby Wheeler	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Publicity Officer	Maeve Brittle	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0
Webmaster	Fei Yuan	20	6	26
	Re-Open Nominations	0	0	0

The new committee will consist of: Danielle Ball (President); Sam Hill (Vice-President); Millie Johal (Women's Captain); Tom Xu (Men's Captain); Christoph Hess (Secretary); Fizz Mc Nally (Social Secretary); Axel Boerrigter (Junior Treasurer); Abby Wheeler (Welfare & Safety Officer); Maeve Brittle (Publicity Officer); Fei Yuan (Webmaster). A handover meeting between the old and the new committee will be held later in March.

The Chief Instructor Richard Poole thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work to keep the Club alive and thriving throughout the coronavirus pandemic.

The Annual General Meeting was closed at 6.30 PM by the Club President.

Minutes submitted by: Christoph Hess CUKC Secretary 2020/2021

Approved: