MINUTES of Chiltern League AGM Wednesday 5th July 2017 at 48 Hazel Road, Purley-on-Thames, Reading RG8 8HR

The meeting opened at 2.30 p.m. The following were present: -

Nigel Dennis, Witek Koreywo, John Wiseman, Rod Langham, Jonathan Melsom, Simon King and Steve Rumsby

1 Apologies for absence were received from: -

Gareth Ward

2 Minutes of Meeting held on 29th June 2016

The minutes were agreed.

3 Matters Arising out of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th June 2016

There were no matters arising out of the minutes.

4 Treasurer's Report

Simon King handed out a balance sheet showing a balance on 1st July 2016 of £513.55 and a balance on 30th June 2017 of £376.55 with a total of £130.00 affiliation fees and ECF game fees outstanding to come from Berks, Bucks and Oxon. It was agreed that the county affiliation fee would remain at £20 per year.

5 Results 2016-2017

In the Open section Oxon won, Berks were second, Hants third, and Bucks did not take part. In the under 150 section Oxon won, Berks were second, Hants third, and Bucks fourth.

6 Election of Officers and Committee

Chairman: Witek Koreywo was elected Chairman.

Secretary: Nigel Dennis was elected Secretary with this to include Fixture Secretary and ECF representative.

Treasurer: Simon King was elected Treasurer

Grader: Peter Hemmings was elected grader

7 Format of Competitions

In view of uncertainty about raising full teams in the Open section, a new format for this section was agreed mostly following suggestions by Rod Langham. Each county will hold one jamboree with all four counties invited. If Bucks participate, there will be four teams each with 10 players. If Bucks do not participate, there will be three teams each with 12 players. It was considered that 12 players would be preferable, but the Basingstoke venue will only hold a total of 20 games (4 x 10 = 40 players and 20 games). To avoid the possibility of players with a grade between 150 and 160 not getting a game in either section, and to make it easier for the lower 20 board section to raise teams, the grade limit for the lower section was raised from 150 to 160, subject to the agreement of the Hampshire captains, who were not present. The winning team in the jamborees will be the team with the most game points over the four events.

8 Fixtures

A sheet was handed out entitled "2017-2018 Events Affecting Chiltern Fixtures", which had also been circulated earlier. Working through this calendar dates were selected for each match and the four jamborees, and this fixture list is circulated separately.

9 Jamboree 2018

There had not been a jamboree in 2017, and it was agreed that the regular 20 board jamboree with grading limits according to the board number would not take place in 2018.

10 Website

It was agreed that the Oxford Fusion website for the Chiltern League was a considerable improvement to the previous website owned by John Upham.

11 Date of next meeting

The suggested date for the next meeting was a Wednesday on either 20th or 27th June 2018 starting 7.30p.m. It was hoped that we could meet at the same venue again.

12 Any Other Business

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 4.00p.m.