

Minutes 2017 Annual General Meeting Sport HQ, National Sports Campus, Dublin 15	Meeting Date: 25 th June 2017
Attendees:	Ger Rellis – Chair (GR), Marisa Duffy – Deputy Chair (MD), Amanda Kinahan (AK) – Company Secretary, Andrew Coulter (AC) - Board Member, Natasha Preston (NP) – Board Member, Rob Fuller (RF) – Board Member, Tom Dillon (TD) – Board Member, Andrea Brennan – Old Bawn GC, Mairead O’Callaghan – Douglas GC, Stanislav Sevostyanov – Trojan GC, Stefan Bogdan – Leap GC, Yeray Morillas – Trojan GC Staff: Ciaran Gallagher - CEO (CG), Deirdre Farren (DF)
Apologies:	Mandy McMaster – Salto GC, Sharon Doyle – Sugarloaf GC, Jamie Mullen – Sugarloaf GC Clondalkin GC, Olympian GC, Mariea Sheehy – Aerials GC, Grange GC, Vortex GC, Rathgael GC, Midlands Artistic, Joanne Mahoney – Gymstars, Ennis GC, Rathdrum GC, DCU TC, Renmore GC, Mountmellick GC, Leader GC, Janz GC, Cork Acro GC, Coolmine GC, Ballincollig GC, Colm & Mary Murray, Limerick GC, Mallow GC, Douglas GC, Denis Donoghue – Portlaois GC
Minutes taken by:	CG

Agenda Item	1: Introduction & Welcome
Discussion	GR welcomed the members to the 2017 Gymnastics Ireland AGM.
Agenda Item	2: Apologies

Discussion	GR referred to a list of apologies that would be included in the minutes.
Agenda Item	3: Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising
	No matters arising from the minutes of the 2016 AGM
Discussion	Pro; Tom Dillon Sec; Andrew Coulter
Agenda Item	4: Chairpersons Report
Discussion	<p>GR provided a verbal report paying tribute to his colleagues on the Board and the GI staff team for their dedication and hard work since the last AGM and highlighted a number of key developments of importance since the previous AGM in July 2016...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The performance of Kieran Behan & Ellis O'Reilly at the Rio Olympic Games offering congratulations on the achievement to the two gymnasts, coaches and GI Performance team while also noting the historic importance of qualifying Ireland's first female to the Games and what that means for our future aspiring Olympians • The historic opening of National Indoor Arena in January 2017, the new home of Gymnastics Ireland's High-Performance, National Events & Education programmes • The historic Olympic Council of Ireland elections in February 2017 which saw a complete change in leadership at Board level within that organisation prioritising an athlete focused agenda and a commitment to implementation of up-to-date good governance policies and procedures. He congratulated the new OCI President Sarah Keane in addition to the Gymnastics Ireland CEO who was also successful in gaining election to the OCI Board • Excellent international results across all disciplines and specifically highlighted Rhys McClenaghan's recent gold on Pommel at the World Challenge Cup in Croatia • The new National Series Super Championships which would debut on 1st & 2nd July 2017 and act as a competitive showcase for the best gymnasts from all our disciplines • The Boards commitment with Sport Ireland to implement the voluntary code for governance by year end 2018. He also noted GI is now listed on the Governance code website as being 'on the journey'.
Agenda	5: Directors & Auditors Report on Financial Statements for the year end 31st December 2016

<p>Item</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>CG reported the following...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Published online 2nd June 2017 - http://gymnasticsireland.org/files/Events/AGM/2017/1%20Gymnastics%20Ireland%20Statutory%20Financial%20Statements%202016.pdf • Deadline for queries 16th June 2017 • No queries received by deadline <p>As there were no queries received CG highlighted a number of points relating to the income & expenditure account and balance sheet...</p> <p>INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income: Increase in income has been driven by two key areas... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Membership growth: CG attributed the growth to the increased popularity of the sport (a world-wide trend), the post-Olympic buzz and finally to a number of club audits that had been carried out since the last AGM to ensure clubs are compliant with membership regulation. GC commented audits would continue both randomly and also specifically targeted at clubs where there may be a concern re compliance. ○ Events growth: Event participation was up 2000 entrants in 2016 from 2015 with 6000+ entrants in the programme in 2016. He noted event entries in 2017 had hit approx. 4000 entrants already by the mid-year point. • Expenditure: Increase in expenditure largely also related to the events programme in addition to a number of new investment projects undertaken in Q4 of 2016 that will launch in 2017 that will be referenced in the CEO report. <p>BALANCE SHEET</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CG highlighted the increase in tangible assets related to additional equipment purchased to resource the events programme.
<p>Agenda Item</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>6. Appointment of Auditors for incoming financial year</p> <p>The membership unanimously agreed to appoint Power & Associates as the company auditors for 2017, remuneration for the auditors was anticipated at €4000.</p>
<p>Agenda Item</p>	<p>7. CEO & Anti-Doping Report</p> <p>CG gave a presentation on activities and matters of importance from the previous AGM in July 2016 –</p>

<p>Discussion</p>	<p>June 2017 including an Anti-doping report from Policy & Welfare Manager, Dermot Howlin.</p> <p>To view a full copy of the CEO presentation please click on the link below...</p> <p>http://gymnasticsireland.org/files/Events/AGM/2017/2017%20Annual%20General%20Meeting%20Presentations.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mairead Kavanagh commented on the good financial growth within the organisation and the increase in Sport Ireland funding and queried where the CEO saw growth going in these areas. CG responded by stating that in terms of commercial growth this was obviously tied to membership growth and expanded programmes, he highlighted that as a strategic theme in the strategic plan (Theme 2 Growing the Sport) the organisation had committed to various initiatives to drive membership growth and specifically referenced the club/facility development officer role to support clubs from start-up through to expansion/purpose build projects. In terms of Sport Ireland funding CG highlighted the new funding system being implemented for 2018 to prioritise sports with capacity to deliver (programmes, people & facilities) and stated that with new NIA GI should be in a good position to develop this area going forward. Finally he commented on the sponsorship/brand partner strategy investment with WHPR (GIs PR firm) & Onside (Irish sponsorship research and strategy firm) in 2016/2017 and stated he hoped this would lead to the development of substantial new revenues from this area 2018+.
<p>Agenda Item</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>8. Presentation of Motions for consideration by the membership present</p> <p>GR confirmed that no motions had been received by the deadline.</p>
<p>Agenda Item</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>9. Close of Meeting</p> <p>GR thanked all members present for attending the 2017 AGM and closed the meeting.</p>