



**Avoca Hockey Club AGM
22nd May 2019
Chaired by Mark Meir**

1. Presidents Welcome

2. Attendance/Apologies

See attached list

3. Minutes of AGM 2018

Proposed by Paul Cronin

Seconded by Kate Rushe

4. Honorary Treasurer's Report

See attached report of accounts

- Mark Meir thanked Lisa Mc Carthy for her work including prioritising 2018 accounts

5. Men's Section Report

See attached

6. Ladies' Section Report

See attached

- Caroline Daly thanked Kate Rushe for carrying out Ladies registration secretary role

7. Junior Boys Section Report

See attached

- Leinster proposal to change age groups to odd ages (Under 13, Under 15 etc.) await decision, clubs had until May 21st to submit opinions

8. Junior Girls Section Report

See attached

- Report delivered by Mark Meir as still no Girls Chair in place
- All managers and coaches thanked
- Cara Kelehan is stepping down as junior head coach after 2 years
- Minor A's won silver at indoor tournament

9. Development Report

See attached

- Sports Capital Grants have been deferred until after local elections
- Committee needed to focus on fundraising

10. Election of Officers

Position	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Treasurer	Lisa McCarthy	Mark Meir	Paul Cronin
Secretary	No one appointed		
Men's Captain	Stefan Gallagher	Simon Lowry	Mark Meir
Ladies Captain	Kate Rushe	Caroline Daly	Andy Waller
Girls Chair	No one appointed		
Boys Chair	Emer Grogan	Mark Meir	Stefan Gallagher
Development	Paul Cronin	Mark Meir	Kate Rushe
Vice-president	No one appointed		
President	Caroline Daly	Jonathan Cole	Paul Cronin

11. Election of New Members and Pavilion Members

Every player who paid and played for the 2017-18 season is accepted as a new member.

Proposed by Caroline Daly

Seconded by Stefan Gallagher

12. A.O.B

- Gemma Donhoe advised that there were 55 Garda Vetting applications made this season, better system needed as she had to chase people
- Designated person and Children's officer will be needed next season
- Jonathan Cole queried reduced income; Lisa McCarthy explained that some payments adjusted to reflect previous year's payments.
- Hockey Ireland bringing in fees per person registered
- Caroline Daly updated meeting on Hockey Ireland player registration system
- Dennis O'Connor
 - acknowledged Vet's captains
 - informed AGM of new deal with Newpark

- advised AGM that he and Hilary Murray have been co-opted to the Board
- stated security of tenure in Newpark is very positive and that there is possibility of getting similar in Loreto Foxrock
- stated balance sheet is a lot better than previously and it will be easier to get financial support/ fundraise as a result of this
- Simon Lowry
 - expressed view that club is behind other clubs on website and social media content
 - queried year without sponsor, Paul Cronin gave details of huge campaign last year to try attract a main sponsor
 - expressed concern over state of repair of pitch, broken signs give the wrong impression of the club. Mark Meir acknowledged we need to be more proactive in maintaining it.
- Ronan Hickey thanked the committee for their work

13. Presidents Closing Comments

Thanks to all coaches, managers and volunteers for their hard work over the season.

Thank you to the committee.

Caroline Daly made a presentation to Mark Meir of a pair of engraved cuff links and thanked him for his dedication to the club over the last numbers of years in a variety of roles