UKPSF AGM 2019, 25th July Meeting Minutes held at 1pm

Present:

Mr Don Logan (Chair/Treasurer)

Mr Antony Leadbetter (VC)

Mr Ainsley Baddeley (VC)

Jamie Pagett, James Gregory, Tim Taylor, Jim Frensham, Paul Banks, Chris Setters, James Chinn, Fraser Colley.

- 1. Apologies for Absence: Ged Green, Martin Collins
- 2. Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting were circulated and approved
- 3. Agenda displayed and approved:

Update on the UKPSF finances (income expenditure)

<u>Current Membership number both site and players</u>

Project Up Dates

- Leeds Becket Paintball As A Sport Study
- · Paintball Seeking Sports Recognition
- New UKPSF Website

Plans for the future

- · Increasing Player, Site and Trade membership.
- A UKPSF staff training aid for rec and tourney.
- · Re introduce a player insurance offer.
- Make sites and players aware of fake gear.
- Look at initiatives to incentives new players.

Presentation

John Jones Health and Safety (risk assessments)

Questions

Any Other Business

4. Finances approved and expenditure explained. Yearly money out was £4533.51, money in £11,689.01. Expenditure explained, this being mainly the cost of Insurance and web design for the new website.

5. Membership Update:

60 site memberships representing 75 sites now across the UK. 73 player memberships. Discussed that the new website which simplifies the joining process for player members should have a huge impact moving forward.

6. Project Updates:

Leeds Becket Paintball Study, with emphasis on paintball seeking sports recognition. As new Chairman, Don and the sub board agreed that we should complete the study as it is now 2/3rds complete and the bulk of the cost has now been paid.

Paintball seeking Sports recognition was discussed. Members agreed the Leeds study would assist in this and that the new website would play a contributing factor in gaining members. Discussion had about big games and events making player membership mandatory, but members showed resistance as it added levels of complexity to sign in processes and potentially turning away customers, especially at the big games.

New website now 90% complete for initial site design. Live and operational.

7. Initiatives were discussed including support of team GB by paying the EPBF fee for Nation's teams. Members approved. Contact with Athlete Media Group, a sports PR company who are doing some coverage on paintball in their advertising. Play paintball campaign proposed by Anthony Leadbetter with stock video been given to member sites to add their company logo onto and contact info. Members approved.

8. Future focus:

Increasing player, site and trade membership Initiatives for new players to paintball

9. Questions Raised:

Steve Collins sent is a question: Now that sites have diversified into other similar sports, would the UKPSF consider including Airsoft in its Federation. Long discussion between members, but overall, strongly opposed. Members felt that we have enough of our own house to arrange before venturing into other areas, and our focus should remain on paintball.

10. Further appointments:

Membership felt happy for Don Logan to continue as chair supported by Antony Leadbetter and Ainsley Baddeley supporting. No other volunteers for the board, but Mr Gary Jones volunteered to assist in social media suggestions for the UKPSF. Members approved.

Meeting closed 3.50pm.