Minutes of the Felixstowe Sea Angling Society Annual General Meeting held on Monday 7th September 2015 at the Society's Headquarters, Manor Terrace, Felixstowe

1) Apologies

Apologies were received from: - Phil Mays, Robin Smith, John King, David & Christine Shipp, Phil Burrow, Steve Adams, Steve Boyt.

20 members attended.

2) Minutes of the 2014 AGM

The Minutes of the 2014 AGM were taken as read and accepted.

Proposed by G. Kirby, and seconded by E. Thompson

- 3) Items Arising None
- 4) Chairman's Report Taken as read
- 5) Hon Secretary's Report Taken as read
- 6) Treasurer's Report Taken as read
- 7) Competition Secretary's Report Taken as read
- 8) Festival Secretary's Report Taken as read
- 9) Election of Officers

Position	Present Holder	Proposed	Proposer	Seconder
Hon Life President	K Tompkins, D Wright			
President	G Powter			
Vice Presidents	J Banham, K Messenger, C Shipp			
Nomination of New Vice Presidents				
Chairperson	A Smith			
Vice Chairperson	J Banham			
Hon Secretary	P Riches			
Membership Secretary	G Powter			
Competition Secretary	J Banham			
Boat Competition Secretary	P Day			
Treasurer	G Powter			
Hon Auditors (2)	C Burrows, K Tompkins			
Press Officer	S Adams D Wright			
Committee Members	G. Adams, A. Fox, C. Turner, M. Hudson, P Day, A Smith, B Hazell, G Kirby, R Smith S. Boyt			
Senior Clerk of Scales	G Messenger			
Clerk of Scales (4)	S. Boyt, A. Smith, P Day, K Messenger, G. Kirby.			
Senior Compound Steward	G. Kirby			
Compound Stewards	K. Messenger, M. Hudson, B. Hazell, C. Tipple			

There were no new proposals for club Officers but one amendment from last year, J Banham had proposed that D Wright was made an honorary life member. His acceptance was not reflected in the minutes or updated in the election of Officers, corrected. Acceptance of the Officers of the club was proposed by B Hazell and seconded by G Kirby.

10) Discussions from the Floor: -

New Club rule: -

The new Rule written by J Banham on the retention of Bass was discussed. J Banham proposed that it should be accepted, seconded by B Hazell. The additional rule will be published on the www.fsas.org.uk Website.

How to Improve Club Membership:-

One proposal was to advertise our matches as open to encourage people to join so they can compete for a trophy. There are lots of other competing matches being run and the incentive appears to be purely down to the amount of prize money being payed out so making the matches open might put off existing Club Members from fishing matches.

Other suggestions were:-

- Set dates for matches 6 monthly instead of yearly.
- Set dates but not venues.
- More estuary matches.

Website Online Payments:-

Some members said that they would pay online if we used PayPal as a payment provider. Phil Riches to seek confirmation from PayPal that our HMRC Charitable Sports Club status qualifies us for reduced transaction rates.

New Numbers Club Format:-

There was some discussion on the subject but the majority of members present saw the change as being a positive move.

- **11) New Members: -** Dan Richardson with Boat compound storage. Payed, there are now 4 Boat spaces available.
- 12) A.O.B:- 2 Hook rule was not implemented, what about a nominated Bait Match?

Meeting Closed at 21:15