

## NOTIFICATION OF BAFA EGM

The British American Football Association (BAFA) will hold an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) on Saturday 22 February 2020.

The meeting will begin at 10.00 and take place at St Michael's C of E High School, Curral Road, Rowley Regis, West Midlands, B65 9AN. It is expected to finish by 14.30, after which there will be an opportunity for networking.

The meeting will be held in collaboration with the British American Football Coaches Association (BAFCA) EGM, also taking place on 22 February at the same location, starting at 11.00.

Both meetings will bring together the British American football community and provide an opportunity to talk to BAFA officials and discuss the future direction of the game.

Updates and presentations during the day will include:

- Safeguarding and welfare structure and processes
- Update on discipline process
- Coaches update from BAFCA
- Club development workshops
- Q&A with BAFA Chief Executive Pete Ackerley and BAFA board members

Members of any club that is registered to play in one or more BAFA competitions are welcome and encouraged to attend, and will be able to participate in all of the presentations and workshops.

For the EGM vote, which will take place at the start of the day at 10.00, two members from each club can attend, with one vote available per club. The EGM vote is expected to last for around 20 minutes only – further details can be found below.

There is a proxy vote option for those unable to attend – members can nominate someone else attending the meeting to vote for them and should notify BAFA of who they have nominated.

### **Event registration**

Members should register attendance on the BAFA membership system on the link below.

### [BAFA AGM registration](#)

You will be invited to login or set up a new profile when signing up for an event. Existing members who are currently, or who have previously registered for a National Leagues team and/or already have a profile on the system should use their existing login details. Please DO NOT set up a new profile. Please note, for those new to the system, only a basic profile sign-up is needed to register for an event.

Further information on the location and venue is copied below.

At the BAFA EGM, two resolutions will be considered:

### **Resolution One:**

That the existing articles of association of the Company be and are hereby replaced with the new articles of association attached to this notice with immediate effect.

Over the past year, the Board of Directors at BAFA has been working very closely with Sport England to ensure BAFA is Tier 3 compliant according to 'A Code for Sports Governance'. By adhering to this standard of governance, we will be eligible to pitch for funding from Sport England this year for the 2012-2025 round of funding.

We asked Farrer & Co, a law firm recommended by Sport England, to review our existing Articles of Association in conjunction with the comments from our first governance review with Sport England. The changes proposed are at their recommendation for us to be complaint.

Three documents are attached:

1. The current Articles of Association
2. The Articles with proposed reline tracked changes
3. A clean version of the proposal changes

**Resolution Two:**

The appoint Colin Allen to the BAFA Board of Directors.

Colin Allen biography:

Colin Allen has worked within the field of elite national athlete programme development for over 13 years. Colin started his career as an Athlete Investment Officer at UK Sport in 2006, before originally joining the Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS) in July 2010 as a Project Manager. He moved across to Northumbria University in June 2014, to work as part of their performance sport programme as a Talent Identification and Pathway Manger, before re-joining TASS in October 2015.

Colin is currently the National Lead for Operations and is responsible for overseeing both the strategic and day-to-day planning and coordination for the scheme. Another aspect of his role involves leading on programme and project work to support the development of National Governing Bodies' England Talent Pathways and growing revenue streams by identifying and taking advantage of new opportunities.

**Location details**

St Michael's C of E High School is located approximately 10 minutes from J2 of the M5 and the nearest railway station is Rowley Regis.

Refreshments will be available during the day.