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To: National Councillors, County Association Secretaries, Local League Secretaries, PremierClub Contacts

Dear Councillor/Secretary

Re: National Council Meeting 13th April 2013

I am pleased to provide a summary of the main points discussed at the last National Council Meeting and hope that it will assist you in reporting back to your members.

- 1. The Chairman thanked Richard Yule for his massive contribution to table tennis and the ETTA and to his team for all their work, commitment and dedication for our great sport over the last 10 years. He congratulated Andy Seward upon being elected as Chairman in the recent elections and welcomed the two new directors, Richard Scruton and Keith Thomas, to the meeting. Presentations for long service to National Council were given to Ken Marchant and Doug Young who announced their retirement from National Council after 46 and 19 years respectively.
- 2. The Chairman's report included details of the latest Sport England, UK Sport developments, governance and finance including 2013-17 NGB funding requirements as detailed in NC VV.86. The Chief Executive gave an update.
- 3. A presentation on the proposed UKCC Coach Licence was made and members decided the following: National Council proposed and passed an amendment that existing ETTA qualified coaches can retain their qualification for life but MUST hold an ETTA Coach Licence.

From 15th November 2013 a person to be recognised by the ETTA must hold either a UKCC or ETTA qualification and is required to complete the following for them to be issued with an ETTA Coach Licence:

- A current and valid DBS (previously known as a CRB) certificate (valid within the last three years).
- Certification of completion of an Essential First Aid (All Ages) course (valid within the last three years).
- Certification of completion of a sports coach UK Safeguarding and Protecting of Children course (valid within the last three years).
- Certification of completion/attendance of a minimum of one Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Course in the past 12 months.
- 4. Members approved that the Tournaments Committee be given power to authorise specific divergence (Rule 55.6) from the Approved Laws of Table Tennis in respect of a particular event, etc.
- 5. The Operations Manager gave a comprehensive update on the membership system including proposed developments, and it was agreed to circulate a copy of the report he gave to the Membership Committee.

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6. The following Vice-Chairmen for 2013/14 were elected by National Council:

Administration: MGR Smith Coaching: Mrs S Airey

Communications: Ms S Hughes

Competitions: HJ Webb Development: CP Goulding

International Relations: RC Scruton

Marketing: P Huggon Membership: TV Purcell

Performance and Selection: Mrs S Deaton

- 7. The following meeting dates for 2013/14 National Council were approved by members: 12.10.13, 18.01.14, 12.04.14 and 26.07.14.
- 8. The following date for the 2013/14 Annual General Meeting was approved: 12.07.14.
- 9. The following dates were approved: British League Annual Conference 31.05.14 and County Championships Conference 31.05.14.
- 10. Members approved the following mileage rates for the year following the Annual General Meeting: volunteers 31p per mile and staff 37p per mile.
- 11. Trade Committee selection results were as follows: JM Burtenshaw, LA Chatwin, S Clarke, CT Hyland, RR Washington.
- 12. Copies of the Departmental Reports were issued in advance; Vice-Chairmen gave updates and National Councillors asked a number of questions across all departments.
- 13. The following were nominated by the Honours Committee and approved by members for election at the 2013 Annual General Meeting:

President: Mrs DM Stannard

Honorary Life Members: AN Murdoch, MG Clark, R Yule

Vice Presidents: Mrs R Ponting, D Evans, Mrs E Shaler, GMW Wilson, Mrs D Jermyn,

DC Gray

Victor Barna Award: Tin-Tin Ho Leslie Forrest Award: D Roden Malcolm Scott Award: PR Bradley

Johnny Leach MBE Most Improved Player of the Year Award: Sam Walker

13.1 The Keith Ponting President's Memorial Award for Lifetime Achievement'

Members further approved a new award to perpetuate the memory of Keith Ponting (previous President) described as 'The Keith Ponting President's Memorial Award for Life Time Achievement', which Aubrey Drapkin was nominated to receive at the Annual General Meeting.

14. Detailed reports were given by ESTTA, BTTAD, BUSC and International Matters by the Chairman.

ALEX MURDOCH Chairman