

South Metropolitan Cricket Association

Minutes of Executive Meeting held at Leeming on
Monday 14th November 2016

Meeting commenced at 6:00pm



PRESENT: Graham Santich, John Griffin, Scott Knight, Ian Hale, Paul Speering, Ray Howe, Graeme Ashley, Gary Hartman (Minutes).

APOLOGIES: Nil

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Moved Graeme Ashley, seconded Ray Howe that the minutes of the previous meeting, 19th September and 5th October 2016 be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING: Nil

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

CBC had claimed that the SMCA is revenue raising in relation to fines for non submission of captains reports on umpires for lower grades. Ray Howe commented that it is probably more important to have feedback on the lower grade umpires than the higher grades so that he can identify areas that need improvement.

Piara Waters believe there should be allowances for players returning from injury to drop grades more than that allowed in the by-laws. This was considered a matter for the General Meeting in May

Kenwick the Mills Park redevelopment has been completed and one of the grounds has floodlighting that meets Cricket Australia Lighting Standards (Class 3 – community cricket). The Executive supported a day night match.

SJ Blues have claimed and East Fremantle player damaged an SJ Blues player's car when throwing his bat. Police involved.

The following two matters are issues where the club has not accepted the decision of the Administrator and for consideration by the Executive

Matters for decision:

East Fremantle played a player in Round 1 and 2 before it was found that he had not been cleared from his previous club. Following previous procedure the Club was fined and lost points for only the second of the two matches the player played in.

Bicton Attadale appealed this decision and after discussion it was moved Paul Speering and seconded John Griffin that the Executive support the decision of the Administrator. CARRIED

This matter is to be considered for better clarification in the By-Laws at the earliest opportunity.

Cannington Tigers believes they should receive some point's compensation for rounds 1 to 3 after joining ODC in round 4.

They also request that their new ODC team be moved to ODG.

After discussion it was moved John Griffin and seconded Graeme Ashley that both requests be denied. CARRIED

TREASURERS REPORT:

Distributed earlier – **Moved Ian Hale and seconded Scott Knight that the Treasurers Report be accepted. CARRIED**

UMPIRE'S ADVISOR:

New report format going well.

CRICKET WEST:

Seniors had a 1 wicket loss
Veterans had a last over win

CONSTITUTION and BY LAWS:

The By-Laws do not actually state that if a team forfeits a match the opposition shall receive average winning points, it would appear that when last updated in 2011 this part was missed and not noticed to now.

For the remainder of the season the following will apply:

Where a team forfeits a match the club forfeited against shall receive average winning points from the remaining matches played on that day in that grade.

Average winning points may also be awarded to a team having a bye where there may be an imbalance of matches played in a grade.

There is no Penalty for not submitting your team list on MyCricket before the start of play. Using 69.17 Any other contravention of Association By-Laws \$50

GRADINGS and FIXTURES:

Kelmescott were allowed a forfeit for their Second Grade team in Round 1 and 2 after the tragic death of their captain coach.

Most clubs accepted this. The Administrator did however receive some negative comments, which he felt were unfair to both Kelmscott and the Fixtures and Gradings Committee.

The Fixtures and Gradings Committee believe they had the authority to make these decisions under By-Law 51e. If their interpretation is wrong then there should be a by-law that does allow for extreme circumstances. The death of Phil Hughes and Adelaide Crows coach Phil Walsh show that even at the very highest level some compassion must be shown at difficult times.

PROTESTS and DISPUTES:

East Fremantle player received a suspended sentence.

AGENDA ITEM:

Venue for Windup – Any clubs wishing to host the SMCA Windup

From John Griffin

1. 35 over grades - extend the number of grades i.e. any grade below D Grade?
2. Bonus points in lower one day grades - given the ageing player base in the lower grades consider abolishing bonus points in the lower grades - match is completed when a result has been achieved - Points system would be win - 6, draw/tie 3, loss 2 (give a team something for turning up and playing), forfeit 0.
3. Playing an unregistered/not cleared player - by law to be reworded to avoid situation that occurred earlier this season. The issue will be - team loses all points for any matches that they play an unregistered/uncleared player or loss of points only applies to the match in which it was discovered. Perhaps club to vote on a general meeting in May 2017.
4. Renumbering of by laws 29 and 31 so that 31 takes precedence followed by 29. With 29c and 29d moving to para 31?

These item's to be discussed at a later date.

From Ray Howe

Currently in the one day games, a bowler has a maximum of 8 overs in the team allocation of 40.

If the game is weather affected and the amount of team overs is reduced, international rules for one day cricket recalculates the maximum of each bowlers overs by a divide of 5. I would like to get the Executives opinion if we should do the same or just leave it as is, a maximum of 8?

Either way on wet days this is the most asked question of the match day referee. Whatever the decision I believe that a notation be inserted into the bylaws to make it perfectly clear.

It was agreed that if there was reduced overs in a one-day match maximum overs for bowlers still apply.

From Gary Hartman

Questioning the decision of a member of the Executive (Administrator, Treasurer, Umpires Advisor).

It was agreed that the following will apply for the remainder of the season with consideration of adding to the By-Laws at the earliest opportunity.

1. Club raises matter with Administrator/Treasurer/Umpires Advisor who then decide on outcome etc.
2. If club is not happy with outcome, the matter is then referred to the SMCA Senior Executive for action. Matters referred to the Senior Executive must be by email and submitted by a member of the Club's Executive. Any decision made by the Senior Executive shall be final.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Nil

NEXT MEETING:

6th February 2017 – 6:00pm

MEETING CLOSED:

As there being no further business the meeting closed at 6:51pm.