

# South Metropolitan Cricket Association

## Minutes of the Executive Meeting 11 February 2019



**PRESENT:** Graham Santich (Chair) Paul Speering, Mario Baeli, Gary Hartman, Graeme Ashley, Ian Hale, Ray Howe, John Griffin (Minutes)

### **APOLOGIES:**

Graham Santich opened the meeting at 6.12 pm

### **MINUTES of PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE MEETING: 10 December 2018**

Moved by Ian Hale and seconded by Paul Speering that the Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 10 Dec 2018 be accepted.

**CARRIED**

### **MATTERS ARISING: Nil**

### **ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:**

Fines are a persistent problem especially clubs who are not entering player scores by the required time as required by the by laws. A number of clubs are repeat offenders. If clubs are not happy with the application of the bylaws then they need to change them.

**CARRIED**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Report as circulated by Graeme. YTD Fines are \$5,300

Moved by John Griffin and seconded by Ian Hale that the Financial Report be accepted

**CARRIED**

### **UMPIRE'S ADVISOR:**

Ray reported that:

Aretha Franklin asked for it and on behalf of all the cricket umpires, I am asking for it. RESPECT. I spend too much time talking with umpires about the best way to deal with players who after the game can't keep their opinions to themselves and worse still captains, who in their "team huddles" express their opinions that are demeaning about the umpires performance and refusing to shake the umpires hand after the game. If your team is in the bottom half of the ladder, you should be looking at your own team performances and not blaming the umpires. Over the whole season you have had many umpires and they all can't have cost you so many games.

The loser in this is the players and the SMCA competition as a whole. Umpires feel frustrated, disappointed, undervalued and leave. This requires the whole process to start again of trying to attract umpires, training and gaining experience etc.

RESPECT is a small word, but it means so much.

Discussion then occurred on the support given to umpires. Are the bylaws good enough to deal with the incidents that arise? It was mentioned that there were 5 prescribed penalties from the 5<sup>th</sup> grade one day final.

Ray's report to be placed on the SMCA website.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

John reported that he had received numerous emails regarding various matters.

#### **CRICKET WEST:**

Well done to Leeming Spartan CC for organising and running the SMCA team in the Cricket West Competition. It is intended that the same format be used again next season and hopefully the SMCA will be able to enter a veterans team.

Three SMCA players - Andrew Gailbrath from CBC, Chad Forsyth from Leeming Spartan and Jacob Johnson from Phoenix were selected in the Cricket West Team with Andrew Gailbrath being named team captain.

#### **CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS: Nil**

#### **PROTESTS AND DISPUTES: Nil**

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

##### **1. Graham Santich**

1. **Review of Honorariums** – Mario Baeli, Paul Speering and Graham Santich to review for next season.
2. **Composition of 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Competition next season including Roleystone's entry.** – It was agreed that Roleystone Karagullen CC be placed in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in the 2019/20 season. The Fixtures and Gradings sub-committee to present the provisional team gradings for 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2019/20 season at the next Executive meeting.
3. **Allocation of points ODD Kardinya v Thornlie Rd 14 (Kardinya won on forfeit).** Kardinya Lakes CC were not awarded average points for their round 14 forfeit win in ODD as they did not enter a match result in accordance with the by laws and information provided to clubs at start of the season and have appealed this. As the relevant bylaw has been applied already in the season and in previous seasons, the non-awarding of points for the match stands.

**AGREED**

##### **2. Paul Speering**

1. **Perth Tamil penalties.** Paul advised that the points allocation/removal of points applied to Perth Tamils appeared to be incorrect. Gary to investigate and rectify as required.
2. **F15 Rules for next season.** Discussion on the F15 rules for next season occurred. The competition is increasing in popularity however the rules need to be reviewed for consistency and keeping them simple for players and umpires. Clubs having two teams in the competition can have issues when naming teams if restrictions are placed on player

movement between club teams. The Tuesday weekly format commencing in December seemed to work well.

**AGREED**

**3. John Griffin -**

1. **Date and venue for SMCA Presentation night.** It was confirmed that the Presentation night would be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 at Leeming.
2. **Clearances to and from WACA clubs and Country Associations.** Some issues have become apparent regarding clearances and non clearances from WACA clubs and WA regional (Country ) Associations. By laws to be reviewed and put to the clubs at the May 2019 General Meeting.
3. **Application of Fines and subsequent appeals** – A number of clubs have been submitting appeals regarding fines they received for non-compliance with the bylaws. The bylaws can be amended if the clubs want then to be. The current application of the Bylaws to remain as is.
4. **Over 50 years of age grade/competitions.** Correspondence has been received regarding promotion and introduction of an over 50 years of age of grade in the SMCA one-day competition. There are national competitions for the over 50s plus age group and WA will be host for the 2019 national competition. Feedback from the clubs to be sought at the May 2019 General Meeting.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Match format 2019/20.** Discussion occurred on the match format for the 2019/20 season. It was proposed that 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> grade would remain as is (ie 75over and 40 over), 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> grade be 65 overs and 35 overs, with all one day grades being 35 over matches. This format to be put to the clubs for consideration at the May 2019 General Meeting
2. **Cockburn City Council.** A letter had been received from Cockburn City Council expressing concern that the SMCA finals being played after 18 March 2019 are making it difficult for the Councils ground staff to ready ground for the football season. The Secretary to respond.
3. **SMCA History** - Ian Hale advised the meeting that he is working on the history of the SMCA competition in readiness for the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Derek Mott would be approached to see if he can assist.
4. **Finals** – with end of season finals only a month away, a reminder to be sent to all clubs in regard to player qualification, afternoon tea provision (home team both days), pitch and boundary markings.

**CLOSURE: Without any further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm**

**NEXT MEETING: Monday 25 March 2019 – 6.15 pm – Leeming**