South Metropolitan Cricket Association

Minutes of Executive Meeting held at Leeming Club rooms on Monday 10^{th} March 2014

Meeting commenced at 6.00pm



PRESENT: Graham Santich, John Griffin, Brendon Jones, Kiel Sigley, Scott Knight, Ian Hale, Graeme Ashley, Gary Hartman (minutes)

APOLOGIES: Ray Howe,

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Moved John Griffin, seconded Ian Hale that the minutes of the previous meeting, 10th February 2014 be accepted as a true and correct record.

MATTERS ARISING: Nil

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Grand Finals this weekend Second Grade: Kardinya Lakes v Kwinana At Buzzacott Third Grade: CBC v Cockburn at Karoonda North Fourth Grade: Riverton Rostrata v Willetton at Riverton Park Fifth Grade: CBC v Leeming Spartan at Karoonda South Sixth Grade: Cockburn v Leeming at Davilak ODA: Thornlie v Cockburn at Walter Padbury ODB: Perth Tamil v Kardinya Lakes at Ranford Oval ODC: CBC v Maddington at Corpus Christi ODD: Thornlie v Willetton at Hume Rd A ODE: SJ Blues v Canning Districts at Mundijong Oval ODF: Thornlie v Willetton at Hume Rd B

I will be away for a month from this Friday night. Will be back on 14th April. I am available to carry out duties as normal – contactable by email only.

SMCA Trophy winners are on the web site.

Pennants are ready; trophies should be ready for Friday. There was discussion regarding who would present pennants. Pennants/medallions will be given to umpires to take to the games.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurers Report was previously distributed.

The probable end of season surplus will be between \$2000 and \$3000.

Moved John Griffin and seconded Scott Knight that the Treasurers Report be accepted. CARRIED

UMPIRES ADVISOR

Ray Howe was not at the meeting.

We were 8 umpires short of a full compliment for the semi finals.

CRICKET WEST: Nil

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS: To be discussed as an Agenda Item.

FIXTURES AND GRADING:

Maddington and Kardinya Lakes subject to demotion/promotion in First to Second Grade.

Bicton Attadale and Kenwick subject to demotion/promotion in Second to Fourth Grade.

As both Bicton Attadale and Kenwick were no longer involved in finals he had written to both Club Presidents seeking their input for next season. The same to be done with Maddington and Kardinya Lakes once their seasons were over.

In both situations it was agreed that should the two clubs wish to stay in their current grades then the Fixtures and Grading's Committee should approve this. It was agreed that this issue should be resolved by mid April at the latest.

As agreed previously all efforts should be made to grade First to Fifth Grade and the ODA Grade for the coming season as soon as possible.

It was suggested that in future a number of one-day matches remain after the Christmas break. Perhaps the season start with the two one-day matches, then four two-day fixtures followed by the remaining 5 one-day matches and the final three two-day matches. This will bring the mid season one day final back to later in January or early in February.

PROTESTS AND DISPUTES:

14th February: Prescribed Penalty, Vajay Kumar - Armadale ODA - dissent, swearing, and failure to leave the crease after been given out - 1 match

14th February: Prescribed Penalty, Albert Fernandes, - Hilton Palmyra Third Grade - dissent towards an umpires decision - 1 match

There will be a P&D tomorrow night, 11th March.

AGENDA ITEMS:

There was discussion regarding previously distributed changes to the By-Laws.

The following matters to be added to the existing items;

A player, acting as an umpire, has all the rights of an official umpire.

Consider a Level 4 offence for serious offences such as fighting and vilification.

In weather affected matches the maximum playing time allowed beyond the scheduled close of play shall be one hour.

These changes to be added to the existing list of items and be submitted to the clubs for consideration at out May meeting.

The Life Membership sub-committee provided criteria for future nominations and presentations of Life Membership to the Association. After discussion some changes were suggested which John Griffin will re draft into a submission to be presented to the clubs.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Ian Hale suggested that consideration be given to having the lower one–day grades, perhaps ODD, ODE and ODF, play matches with 35 overs instead of the existing 40. The Executive felt there may be some merit in this and it be considered further.

Kiel Sigley brought up the format for finals. He felt it would be fairer for a finals system similar to the WAFL. This would involve the finals taking three weeks instead of the current two. This matter had been brought up by a club some years ago and was rejected by the clubs. There was no reason why the matter could not be brought to the clubs again.

The Executive was advised that Ray Howe was prepared to carry out the duties of Umpires Advisor for at least one more season. It was moved Ian Hale and seconded John Griffin that Ray Howe be appointed Umpires Advisor for the 2014-15 season. **CARRIED**

Gary Hartman brought up the issue of a club not responding to communication from the Executive. Canning Districts had regularly not responded to communication from members of the Executive. They had not provided team nominations, lost points due to being deemed unfinancial and not responded to other matters. The one email address provided to the Association is now bouncing back as undeliverable. It was agreed that in future all clubs must provide at least three different people as contacts from their club using active email addresses.

CLOSURE: As there was no further business, the meeting was closed at 7.10pm

NEXT MEETING: General Meeting for all clubs – Monday 5th May – 7:00pm at Leeming.