

# **South Metropolitan Cricket Association**

Minutes of President's Meeting held at Leeming on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Meeting commenced at 7:30pm..

**PRESENT:** See attached, all Clubs represented.

**APOLOGIES:** Scott Hartman, Joe Covic

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

It was moved Graham Santich and seconded Bill Greenshields that the minutes of the previous Executive Meeting, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2010, be approved.

**CARRIED**

## **MATTERS ARISING:**

Nil.

## **ADMINISTRATOR:**

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### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### **Inward**

Rory Murphy, SJ Blues – Request for withdrawal of team

#### **Outward**

To Clubs – General notice and minutes 2/9/2010

To Clubs – General notice 13/9/2010

To Clubs – Rescheduling notice

Gary reported that he and Graeme Ashley attended the last Umpires Association meeting to offer their assistance.

Fixtures have been completed but being slightly changed after rescheduling, season now starts on 9<sup>th</sup> October with a Saturday/Sunday fixture on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> November.

Please don't forget to deal with clearance applications within 2 weeks of receiving them otherwise the administrator has the authority to clear them.

Make sure all players are registered before they play

Get your match reports and umpire reports in by 8pm on Monday.

Will start working on SMCA T20 competition soon.

The new fixtures/by-laws book has been delayed after the rescheduling of fixtures.

## **TREASURERS REPORT:**

Attached.

Affiliation fees due by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

Rob Sims commented on the excellent job Graeme Ashley had done over the past 12 months.

**UMPIRE'S ADVISOR:**

Rob introduced the new Umpires Advisor, Steve Nichols.

Steve reported that we have 10 new umpires.

Should have umpires First to Sixth Grade and hopefully beyond.

Umpires should be allocated on MyCricket by Wednesday night or Thursday morning.

Steve advised that he is always available to talk to Clubs about umpire related matters.

**CRICKET WEST:**

Competition will be in Twenty20 format and must be finished by mid December.

The Grand Final to be held at the WACA as a prelude to a KFC Big Bash match in late December.

We are urgently looking for players in all 3 grades – Seniors, Colts and Veterans. Please talk to Steve Michael.

**CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS:**

Fixtures and By-Laws book will be available in the next week. There will be enough for the umpires, each team and the SMCA Executive.

Clubs were reminded of updates to player behavior in the new By-laws and that Clubs should make their players aware of them.

**GRADINGS AND FIXTURES:**

Gary Hartman and Graham Santich had worked on the fixtures and they are on-line but still subject to some minor changes after the rescheduling of the opening day.

It is important that all Clubs check the fixtures due to the recent changes made.

There are a few neutral ground matches in the coming season. The first team mentioned is the home team and should make contact with the actual home team to ensure facilities are available

**PROTESTS AND DISPUTES:**

Barry Hawkins commented on the new by-laws and the importance of the Clubs to advise their players of their responsibilities.

The SMCA is very keen to stamp out poor player behavior.

Appeals for additional P&D members had received virtually no response. Anyone interested in participating on the board of the P&D should contact Gary Hartman.

**MOTION:** It was moved Phoenix and seconded Riverton Rostrara that all reports be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**AGENDA ITEMS**

Nil.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

There was discussion on the letter received from SJ Blues in which they request that they be allowed to drop their Fifth Grade side. Currently the Club has a Second, Fifth Grade and ODC side.

The President spoke against the request citing issues generated last year as a result of allowing late grading changes.

Steve Michael arrived at the meeting at this time – 7:55pm.

SJ Blues explained their situation and there was further discussion.

**Motion:** It was moved Graham Santich and seconded Steve Michael that the request received from SJ Blues be refused. **CARRIED**

Armada requested that umpires be allocated on MyCricket by Wednesday night so Clubs are aware at Thursday night training if games had umpires or not. Steve Nichols advised that this would be done other than in exceptional circumstances such as late changes.

It was confirmed that a Fixtures book will be finalised by the middle of next week.

There was discussion on insurance and the need to complete Match Day Checklists. Non completion of this form may make any insurance claim invalid.

There was further discussion on this matter and how to ensure that the form is properly completed. Rob Sims emphasised that this was a Club issue. Phoenix suggested that the non completion of the form be subject to the same sort of penalties currently provided to Clubs who did not complete a match report.

This matter is to be discussed further with the insurer to seek clarification of legalities.

Kardinya Lakes thanked the Executive for making changes to their gradings. They further commented about why it appeared some other Clubs were not graded differently given their finishing position last season.

There was a general agreement that the Executive had handled the rescheduling of the season after the tied AFL grand final in a professional manner.

The SMCA Radio Show will commence on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October. The Show will be on SportFM 91.3 every Saturday morning at 9:30am. Host will be Jordan McArdle with assistance of Rob Sims. Ian Hale will work the console.

Rob Sims advised that Brian Waterer had agreed to join the SMCA Executive and there was still a vacancy should anyone be interested.

The draw for the cricket kit was made. The winner was Kelmscott.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Next meeting is an Executive Meeting to be held on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 6:00pm at Leeming – Agenda Items to be submitted before 20<sup>th</sup> October.

**MEETING CLOSED:**

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 8:25pm.