

Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League

EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 7th AUGUST 2019

In the Chair: Trevor Atkinson

Other Officers Present: The General Secretary; Match & Registration Secretary; Finance Secretary.

Life Vice Presidents: Ron Tindall.

Club Representatives: Craig McCreddie; Malcolm Westoby.

Apologies: Administration Secretary; Media Secretary; Child Welfare & Facilities and Trophies Secretary; LVP Geoff Crompton & Les Harrison.

The Minutes

The minutes of the Executive meeting on Wednesday 3rd July 2019 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

Heavy Woollen Cup

The Chairman placed on record how delighted he was in congratulating Shepley on winning the Heavy Woollen Cup the previous Sunday.

Linthwaite CC Incident

The meeting discussed the horrific events at the Linthwaite v Kirkheaton game on 3rd August and a report from the two umpires was circulated. The meeting agreed:

1. The game would be treated as an abandoned match with 2 points each per club
2. The Chairman had already spoken with the Kirkheaton captain Will Smith to express his concern over the injury suffered and it was agreed this that contact would be continued and whatever support was deemed necessary would be provided.
3. A meeting had been arranged with police at Linthwaite the following day, after which the Chairman would consult with colleagues before deciding if it was safe for cricket to be played on that ground in the coming weeks. The safety of players, officials and spectators would be of paramount importance.

Monthly Finance report

The Finance Secretary updated the meeting on our current financial position with no matters outstanding.

Grounds and Facilities Report

The Child Welfare & Facilities and Trophies Secretary was absent and had nothing to report.

Disciplinary Report

The Chairman stated there were no disciplinary matters to report.

Umpires Pool Report

The Administration Secretary had submitted a separate report to colleagues which had been noted.

Umpires Association Report

Ron Tindall reported that the situation on Umpire numbers was improving with some Premiership Two games once again staffed by League Umpires.

Match & Registration Secretary Report

The fines list was circulated and approved. There had been a spate of comments regarding bad behaviour at 2XI Competition games and how to include these reports into the Disciplinary system was discussed.

Media Secretary Report

The Media Secretary was absent and had nothing to report.

Any Other Business

League Dinner

It was agreed that the price for the forthcoming dinner would be reduced to £22 50 after an alternative menu was agreed. With no comedian booked the event would not start until 7 00pm giving people more time to arrive. A discussion on relaxing the dress code was inconclusive.

Gate collections

The Chairman explained that the lack of members unable to help at semi finals and finals was stretching resources to breaking point.

Rules revision

The Admin Sec would be asked to remind clubs that August 31st was deadline day.

MCC game

The General Secretary updated the arrangements for the game, which was to be held at Armitage Bridge on Wednesday 14th August.

Premiership

The Chairman explained the result of a meeting between himself The President and the General Secretary as to the best method of moving to a 12-club premiership. It was agreed that premiership clubs would be asked for their reactions to establish if they really did want to move to a 12-club format. This matter was only at an early stage and all member clubs would be fully involved in any final discussions.

Lady Sykes Candlesticks / Fred Stallard Trophy

The President asked for a further reminder to be sent to clubs re nominations for Lady Sykes Candlestick and Fred Stallard Trophy.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on Wednesday 4th September 2019 at Elland CC after the Council Meeting (7pm start).