

Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League

EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 2nd May 2018

In the Chair: Trevor Atkinson

Other Officers Present The General Secretary; Finance Secretary; Match & Registration Secretary; Administration & Disciplinary Secretary; Child Welfare & Facilities Secretary; Media Secretary.

Life Vice Presidents: Geoff Crompton; Roger France; Ron Tindall.

Club Representatives: Craig McCreadie; Les Harrison

Apologies: Malcolm Westoby

The Minutes

The minutes of the Executive meeting on Wednesday 4th April 2018 were taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising

- Follow up John Smith's Stadium enquiry re League Dinner:- The General Secretary had not received a reply from the stadium representative for an appointment to view the venue.
- Week 1 fixture postponement:- The General Secretary reported the fixtures would be played on the T20 final date Sunday 29th July as per email sent out to all clubs.
- Hall Bower water issue & perimeter fence:- The Child Welfare & Facilities Secretary had visited Hall Bower. A fence had been put up around by the scoreboard end and a gate would be available for ball retrieval.
- Donald's Funeral:- A sad occasion well attended by officials and past players.

The President

The Chairman had spoken to members of the Executive re Roger France becoming the new President which was unanimously agreed. This would be ratified at the July Council Meeting.

Monthly Finance Report

The Financial Secretary gave his monthly report. All club loans were up to date. All cricket balls had now been distributed to clubs.

Grounds and Facilities report

The Child Welfare, Trophies & Facilities Secretary had visited Linthwaite and big improvements on the ground had been made. However it had been reported to the UA a wicket wasn't cut for last weekend's fixture. The ground would be checked by Friday this week. Holmbridge had been sorted. There were problems with the current state of Nortonthorpe's ground.

Disciplinary Report

The Administration & Disciplinary Secretary had nothing to report.

Report from the UA

Ron Tindall reported 2 league umpires had retired due to ill health. The UA were relying more and more on club umpires to fulfil appointments. This Sunday's Paddock Shield had shortages with club umpires filling in. On Sunday's when there were only Premiership league fixtures all 2nd XI games would be officiated by league umpires.

Report from Match & Registration Secretary

The Match & Registration Secretary reported all was good with Play Cricket registrations eventually. Positive feedback had been given on the Play Cricket system. The Examiner didn't have the manpower or software to produce scorecards in the paper directly from Play Cricket.

Media Report

The Media Secretary reported the new website had been implemented. The back end system was much better. There had been a couple of teething problems and work with updating all data on the website was an ongoing project and would take time. Good feedback had been given. It was asked could the Results section be made easier to see all scores in each division. This would be looked into.

MCC Laws 24 & 42

The General Secretary reported MCC Law 24 now permitted a substitute fielder to keep wicket and this would be changed in our League Handbook rules. Our league 2nd XI cricket would not be implementing on field sanctions as per MCC Law 42. It was felt as a lot of the games are umpired by club umpires and would be unfair on them. All clubs had been emailed.

Sponsorship

The General Secretary had secured more sponsorship from North Light Physiotherapy for the Paddock Shield MOM.

Correspondence

The General Secretary had received correspondence from Cawthorne requesting permission to speak to another league.

Future Council/Executive Meetings

This would be discussed at a later date.

Any Other Business

- The Chairman informed the Hinchcliffe cup was now in the Yorkshire Cricket Museum.
- A trophy for Conference 3 winners would be required.
- The decision to call the first week fixtures off was queried especially with the weather that weekend. It had been felt although some games could have taken place a lot of grounds would have been under prepared.
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The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on Wednesday 6th June 2018 at Almondbury CC 7pm