Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 3rd JULY 2019

In the Chair: Trevor Atkinson

Other Officers Present: The President; The General Secretary; Finance Secretary; Administration Secretary; Child Welfare & Facilities and Trophies Secretary; Match & Registration Secretary; Media Secretary.

Life Vice Presidents: Geoff Crompton; Ron Tindall.

Club Representatives: Craig McCreadie; Malcolm Westoby; Les Harrison.

Apologies: None.

The Minutes

The minutes of the Executive meeting on Wednesday 5th June 2018 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

None.

Monthly Finance Report

The Finance Secretary had received nothing further from Elland with regards to a loan to improve their scoreboard and the matter was considered closed.

The Match & Registrations Secretary asked if the Finance Secretary sends the list of fines to club or a proper invoice. The Finance Secretary confirmed a separate invoice was always sent to clubs.

The General Secretary enquired whether clubs that do not pay within a week from the date of the invoice get charged an additional £10. The Finance Secretary was not aware of this surcharge but would enforce this moving forward.

Grounds and Facilities Report

Following the Council Meeting, the CW, F & T Secretary was just now missing the T20 Trophy from the 2018 winners, Hoylandswaine.

Disciplinary Report

The Chairman had nothing further to add from the Council Meeting.

Umpires Pool Report

The Administration Secretary requested clarification about whether there was a fine for home clubs who do not supply a club umpire. This hasn't seemed to have been enforced so it was suggested to be waived this year and look at tweaks to the system next season.

He also asked since the pool had been used more of late to supply umpires for Premiership Two fixtures that could this be a permanent arrangement. Ron Tindall explained that the UA had just experienced a particularly bad run for three weeks, but they are getting back to normal figures and are able to staff the Premiership Two fixtures. Considering this, the Administration Secretary will circulate a reminder for clubs to check the website and see if their club needs to supply one.

Umpires Association Report

Ron Tindall reported that he will arrange new umpires' courses for the close season if he is sent names of potential umpires interested in making their next step.

Match & Registration Secretary Report

The Match & Registration Secretary had nothing further to add from the Council Meeting.

Media Secretary Report

The Media Secretary reported that after repeated emails there seemed to be no response from Richard Blakely Leisure regarding a platinum level sponsorship. He had escalated it and the General Secretary had also emailed but suggested that this package should be considered vacant.

He also reminded the committee that he is on holiday during the T20 Finals Day. The Chairman indicated that someone at Denby Dale CC may provide the music and he would speak to him regarding this.

Sykes Cup / Paddock Shield Semi-Final Gates

The Chairman, The Finance Secretary and umpire Andrew Wray would man the gates at the Golcar v Hoylandswaine and Kirkburton v Delph & Dobcross Sykes Cup Semi-Finals. The General Secretary would man the secondary gates at these venues. Les Harrison offered to assist at the Golcar match.

It was proposed that for the Paddock Shield Semi-Finals at Hoylandswaine v Almondbury Wesleyans and Skelmanthorpe v Golcar that the league supply programmes to both clubs to arrange a gate themselves owing to lack of numbers.

Any Other Business

County Registered Players

A committee member asked if there was a rule on limitation on the number of County registered players a club could have. This was deferred until the next rules revision meeting. The Match & Registration Secretary would investigate the play-cricket system on a category for such a player.

Sunday Cricket / T20

A committee member raised serious concerns about players not wishing to play Sunday cricket due to extra pressure on families. He suggested looking at playing T20 cricket on Sundays. The Chairman reminded the Committee that the league brought in T20 cricket on the back of demand by the players. The General Secretary suggested the committee have deeper discussions on this matter to which the Chairman, President and General Secretary would discuss further before revisiting with the Committee.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on Wednesday 7th August 2019 at Broad Oak CC (7:30pm)