

South Metropolitan Cricket Association

Minutes of Executive Meeting held at Leeming on Tuesday 7th July 2009. Meeting commenced at 7:32pm.

PRESENT: Rob Sims (Chairman), Roy Gibson, Steve Michael, Bill Greenshields, Gabe Puca, Terry Kift, Tom Hegarty, Gary Hartman (minutes).

APOLOGIES: Terry Garner, Lee Aschettino, Ian Hale

ABSENT: Nil.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

It was moved Bill Greenshields and seconded Steve Michael that the minutes of the previous meeting, Executive Meeting 9th June 2009, be approved with the following alteration:

The date for the next meeting should have read "Executive Meeting" and not President's Meeting.

MATTERS ARISING:

Tom asked about the Twenty20 competition on Saturday afternoon. This matter was with the clubs and would be best left till after the AGM.

Tom asked about the loans to Clubs – Rob is still trying to get a legal opinion on this.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inward

Roy Gibson – Twenty20 suggestions

Office Bearers Form – Cockburn, Canning Districts, Riverton Rostrata, Forrestdale,

Team and Ground Nomination Form – Forrestdale, Leeming Spartan, Canning Districts

Bill Greenshields – Grading suggestions

David Clear – WACA – Funding details

Permits Discussion Group – Comments regarding permits proposal

Tim Lees – WACA – Cricket West meeting

Ken Saviage – Willetton – Request for funding

Department of Commerce – Re submission of SMCA constitution

Bill Greenshields – Comments re permits

Mark Holt – East Fremantle – Acceptance of loan

John Ipsen – Leeming - End of year windup

Outward

To Permits Discussion Group – re permit suggestions

Cameron Brown – East Fremantle – re request for funding

To Clubs – Update regarding forthcoming meetings

To Clubs – Minutes of previous meeting including proposed playing dates

TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer presented a draft budget which was discussed. It was agreed that the budget required some work and Rob will discuss with Tom.

Current funds \$11,384.55.

The investment funds are to be reviewed after legal advice regarding loans to Club.

We are currently seeking legal advice on the potential loans to Clubs. The two Clubs who have applications in are to be advised that no confirmation can be made until satisfactory legal advice has been received.

There is a need to review the signatories on Association cheques. This can be done after the AGM.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Given the minimal feedback to the proposed playing dates provided at the last meeting it was decided to accept them as the official playing dates.

Contact with Local Councils.

City of Fremantle advise Hilton Upper (Hilton South) may be out of action for 6 to weeks due to removal of Paramatta Grass. It depends on budget and awaiting further info.

City of Melville advises Karoonda Oval unavailable all October due to reticulation.

City of Gosnells confirms all OK other than no grounds can be used on 3rd October.

City of Armadale advises Frye Park out of commission for 2 seasons to due to major ground redevelopment. Alternative ground to be provided. Some problems around William Skeet but should not effect playing surface.

City of Cockburn advises South Coogee Reserve may be coming off line but probably not till next year.

All others seem OK.

Still working on web site upgrades – should be up and running after AGM.

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UMPIRE'S REPORT:

Terry has contacted Barry Rennie, WACA Umpires Co-ordinator who is creating a list of all umpires. This should allow for better communication.

CRICKET WEST:

The original WACA Budget had not included funding for the Statewide Twenty20 competition. However Rob with support from Daryl Foster has ensured this competition will continue again for the coming season.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:

Steve is to provide the required amendments to the new Constitution to Bill and Steve in 'notice of motion' format for consideration at the AGM.

PERMITS DISCUSSION GROUP:

There was discussion on the result of two meetings of the Permits Discussion Group. The group had had some problems and it was possible that not all group members agreed with their recommendation.

The Executive could not agree with all the recommendations of the Group and after discussion felt that the following may be considered a fair alternative.

No permits to First Grade players.

Permits to One-Day Grades for 2nd and 6th Grade players only when these Grades are in two-day mode.

Maximum of two permitted players in any one-day competition team and no more than 4 permitted players in one day competition per Club per week.

If a player is promoted to a higher grade he can return to his original grade as long as it is in the next fixture that the player plays in.

It was agreed that in new By-Law 11A the first 3 words should be changed to read "In all qualifying games".

The Executive further discussed that it could not agree with a suggestion from the group that there be a change to the way players qualify for finals.

MOTION: It was moved Bill Greenshields and seconded Steve Michael that all reports be accepted.

CARRIED

AGENDA ITEMS:

Review of paid positions. Rob advised the committee that Bill Greenshields with assistance from Steve Michael and input from the employees had reviewed the paid positions. The three paid members of the Executive left the meeting during further discussion.

Motion put by Rob Sims. Seconded by Bill Greenshields

That all paid positions of the SMCA adopt the duties and responsibilities submitted by the sub committee formed to look at the positions as outlined to the July Executive meeting as a guide line or responsibilities for all paid employees of the association. The exact wording to be finalised after all executive members have a chance to read and understand the documents and their contents and submit their comments back to Gary and Bill.

Also that all paid positions be declared vacant at the close of the coming AGM and that the positions be advertised for a period of two weeks on the SMCA website with a sub committee formed (Steve Michael to chair) to hold interviews if necessary and make the recommendation to the executive for ratification.

Motion put to a vote and passed unanimously.

The three paid employees then returned to the meeting.

It was agreed that there should be structures in place for all Executive positions as well as for positions at club level.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Rob advised that Terry Garner has resigned from the SMCA Executive. The Executive noted that Terry had given many years of great service to the SMCA and the old SSCA. They thanked him for this service and wished him well for the future. Rob will convey these thoughts direct to Terry.

Roy Gibson advised that a Phoenix player, Richard Zumach, had been seriously injured in a recent car crash. Roy was asked to pass on the best wishes of the Association to Richard.

Terry Kift advised that there is an umpires meeting this Friday.

Gary is to go through the notices of motion for the AGM which have come from previous meetings and provide them to the Executive for consideration. All notices of motion close on Wednesday 15th July and will then be provided to the Executive and Clubs for their information.

Steve is working on a booklet for Clubs in relation to the Working for Children Legislation. It is important that the Clubs understand their obligations in relation to this legislation. Suggested that booklet be distributed to Clubs at the AGM with the acknowledgement due by the September President's meeting.

Roy asked about suggestion he had made in relation to a possible Saturday afternoon Twenty20 grade. It was agreed that we should wait to see if there was a grade before discussing this matter further.

There was discussion regarding the proposed gradings provided by Bill Greenshields. The Executive should consider this matter further for discussion by the AGM.

CLOSURE: As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 10:20pm

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 4th August 2009 – Annual General Meeting – Leeming 7:30pm.