



SOMERSET CRICKET LEAGUE

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'Zoom' Conferencing Tool hosted Management Committee Meeting

Monday 18th May 2020

Meeting Notes

1. Present
Ed Martin (who chaired the meeting), Ray Hancock, David Derrick, Amanda Counsell, John Squirrel, Stuart Shepherd, Simon Glover, Matt Lunn, Andy Barrett, Matt Counsell (representing SCB), Derek Hicks, Martin King, Toby Strang and Andy Fairbairn (representing SCB)
2. Apologies for Absence Received
Malcolm Fox and Tom Packman
3. Welcome
Ed Martin welcomed all who were present to the League's first virtual Management Committee Meeting.
4. Minutes of Previous Meetings (16.01.20 & 05.03.20)
Accepted as being a true and accurate record in both cases.
5. Matters Arising
New Club induction process has been parked ref lockdown from 23.03.20.
6. Correspondence
*Comms from MC has been the main source of such in the lockdown period as he cascaded much detail to Clubs in his professional role with SCB.
Main comment is that any movement ref recreational playing will be government driven; not an ECB matter from now per se.
Net practice parameters have been cascaded and are being worked on as Clubs see fit for their own purposes.*
7. Treasurer's Report
*Per TP's report...
Balls have not been physically paid for and will only be so on receipt, but EM is happy to absorb their cost for now.
Arrival of balls and their subsequent storage to be coordinated through RH and EM.*
8. Update of Activity in other Pyramid Leagues
*WEPL to operate a no promotion and relegation policy in 2020.
Decisions from the four feeder leagues are pending on the whole, but whatever is decided will be internally based decisions only.
AF stated WEPL's plans to communicate with their membership on 19.05.20 with Bristol and District League opting in to be part of the non promotion/non relegation statement; SCL will follow suit with Wiltshire and Gloucestershire League's holding off for now.
SCL to communicate itself as a follow up action.*
9. Promotion and Relegation Issues
Division Three has one space to fill at this time, on paper at least.

10. Difficulties faced by Clubs to operate properly in 2020
Some operational issues cited ref winter sport facilities still being in place and general access matters.
11. Presentation Dinner 2020
SS was keen to not have an event in 2020, but to have a 'breakout/networking' event for Spring 2021.
All events that had been pre-booked for 2020 to be cancelled with focus on Spring 2021 as above.
12. Cricket Balls
See point 7.
13. Form of any Competition in the SCL in 2020
AC reviewed a proposal that has been shared ref a competitive structure given the current situation that would give some action, there were issues around rolling this out cited.
SS suggested that a note be sent to all member Clubs to see when they would be ready at a granular level.
Using the current fixture list could also provide a way to some play.
A start in early July is not anticipated ref MC.
The whole operational playing model needs to be built around future advice and is a dynamic process and is very much date driven ref the UK Government and ECB.
14. Code of Conduct/Operations for 2020
Held in abeyance for further guidance for UK Government and ECB; can be modelled from there.
15. Sponsorship (or not) for Season 2020
General feeling was that Monmouth Scientific were well pleased with their arrangement.
Feeling was that one year's sponsorship to be rolled over to 2021 as a gesture of goodwill would be a good move. WEPL are doing same.
16. Officer Transition
All involved are happy to stay in situ given the current circumstances.
17. Any Other Business
Cricket Ball Pass activity went down well; thanks to AC and MC for their work in this respect.
Umpiring allocation would need to be considered ref DH.
MC noted recent course allocations for Umpiring and Groundworks.
DBS activity has moved online with AC keeping a watching brief on this.
AB supported moving to an online format for meetings going forward.
JS to work on removing fixtures for June to align with no first half play in 2020.
AC to monitor player registrations, loans and transfers as would be the case in regular times.
18. Date of
 - a) Next Management Committee Meeting.
 - b) EGM/AGM at Wembdon CC or other venue.*Both to be held over until a future time as neither require to be set up just yet.*
AGM for 2020 would be the next Club facing meeting.

Chairman

David Derrick
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