

Amateur Football Combination
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Civil Service Club
15th January 2019

Present: J. Maskell (Chair), I. Andrews, B. O'Toole, M. Armstrong, A. Cashmore-Till, R. Gibbs. M. Sainsbury, J. Whitmarsh, A. Julien

1. Apologies for Absence

1.1 S.Lovejoy, A.Meyer, N. Johnstone, A. Robinson, S. Smith, N.MacDonald , S. Goldring,

2. Conflict of Interest

2.1 None were raised or expected to be raised as part of the agenda.

3. Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 15th January 2019.

3.1 The minutes were agreed as true and correct.

4. Matters arising from the Executive Committee Meeting on 15th January 2019.

4.1 There were a large number of items that were allocated to members after the meeting in October 2018 that were still to be completed.

5. Secretary Report.

5.1 A paper was prepared by JMas and was duly discussed, regarding the planned merger of the LOB Cup Competition into the rules of the AFC. It was agreed that BOT would ratify the planned merger and refer back to the March meeting. One issue was the Jack Perry Cup and it was agreed to contact the SAL regarding their Veterans Competition, following Bart's review. However it was the unanimous agreed that the Jack Perry Cup be discontinued or it moves to SAL. BOT

5.2 Following some many requests the AFC Representative kit and equipment had finally been returned to AJ from Mr David Cross. Mr Cross had also requested he be paid his £350 for expenses at last year's Rep game vs Oxford University. The Sec was asked to write and advise him to submit an invoice to SL. IA

5.3 Player Registration on WGS needs to be discussed and JW agreed to draft a letter, before the next Exec meeting to be sent to all AFC clubs. JW

5.4 The AFA had requested feedback on any planned increase in the Referees fee for 19/20. It was the decision of the members present in a vote 7-2 (RG /AJ) that a substantial increase to at least £38 was required and maybe £40, so that teams are not having to find coins each week.

5.5 The arrangements for the weekly admin tasks due to Secretaries forthcoming two week holiday were discussed and it was agreed that MS would cover fixtures, NMc would cover FT player approvals, JW would have admin access to change FT fixtures , Harry & John would update ref changes.

6. League Committee Reports

a) ***Club Support Committee:*** - MA has so far not be overloaded with clubs needing guidance , after the early season rush and considered he was capable of managing any support himself.

b) ***Development & Communications Committee:-*** Nothing to Report as no meetings held, other than WGS Player Registration (see Sec Report)

- c) **Dinner Committee:-** The new supplier had been agreed and Mick Kelly and AR had met with them to make sure that they could meet the supply demands for all LOB finals. The medals for the finalists would be available mid -February. It was agreed that ACT would collect all the cups currently in the possession of Danny McConnell & AR. It was advised that a valuation of the cups we possess will be made at the Dinner. MK will contact clubs regarding the return of all trophies. It was agreed that a survey regarding the Dinner would be sent out by SG using either mailchimp (no cost) or SurveyMonkey (cost tba). A list of all email addresses held on FT was requested to be sent to ACT by the Secretary (completed) ACT
- d) **Club Rep Committee:-** The letter re WGS registration prepared by SG was agreed and the Secretary was tasked with sending this to Jason Kilby (completed). The questionnaire proposed by SG was discussed at length and it was considered that it was not formatted or worded correctly and so ACT would contact SG with a view to getting this re-vamped ACT/SG
- e) **Finance Committee:-** The current statement of accounts were provided and it was agreed that the financial position of the league continued to look healthy. It was requested that the Engraving full season estimate be amended to £850 from £1500 SG
- f) **Fixtures Committee:-** There would be a discussion at next Fixtures Committee regarding the proposal to change Senior 1 to a north and south division with only the Premier as non-regionalised. Another club in Premier, Southgate Olympic, were experiencing player issues and may not be able to continue. NMC
- g) **Referees Committee:-** Nothing to Report.
- h) **Representative Committee:-** Forthcoming match vs Arthurian League in Argonaut Trophy at Uxbridge FC on Wednesday 23rd January ko 7.45pm (Match was subsequently postponed – frozen pitch)
- i) **Rules Revision Committee:-** BOT is to arrange a meeting to discuss SCOR updates asap after 18th February. BOT
- j) **SOF Committee:-** Letters have been sent to the bottom ten listed teams in SoF table , Two clubs were causing concern Spaniards & Mickleham (1st xi).

7. AFA Representatives Report

- 7.1 JMas reported that the AFA Office is currently being swamped by safeguarding issues and basically could cope with little else.
- 7.2 The FA plan that any club with players under 18 years of age must have a fully trained Safeguarding Officer. What is the role of DMc as he is still listed as Safeguarding Officer for AFC but has no longer the accreditation required.

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- 8.1 It was requested that referees appointed to AFC Rep fixtures (when AFC home team) should be made from AFC listed referees and not external referees (as per the game on 23/1). This was agreed

Date of Next Meeting – 19th March 2019

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.