

Cherwell Management Meeting
Thursday 22nd February 2018, 19:30
Bicester North Oxford Cricket Club

Present: David Beck (DMB), David Warner (DW), Len Payne (LP), Gary Murton (GM), Mike Dove (MD), Ian Murdoch (IM), Pete Toovey (PT), David Prior (DP), Jim Howe (JH) & Rosie Beck (REB) (non voting)

Apologies: Neilson Hinks (NH), Brian Standish (BS)

In the absence of BS – DMB chaired the meeting

Minutes of last meeting:

The Minutes were agreed and approved.

Matters arising:

Would be covered during the meeting via the Agenda.

Correspondence:

ECB- Important notice regarding the new Regulations on General Data Protection being implemented in May 2018. The implications for the League were discussed and it was noted the League needed genuine business reasons for holding information. The League are not allowed to share our database with other third parties.

GM agreed to be the League's representative responsible for Data Protection compliance.

Long Marston CC – request to register as a player Paul Atkins (registered for Westbury). No issues at this time of the year, but DMB in contact with Westbury to confirm there are no outstanding debts to Westbury. DMB had informed Long Marston Paul Atkins could be paid to coach but not to play.

Daily Telegraph article – reference the loss of Clubs in the Hampshire League in the last two years.

East Oxford:

A report on the Appeal Panel recommendations had been circulated and were discussed at length. It was agreed to accept them. A part 'deposit fee' of £125 to be requested of EOCC and to be paid within 30 days. After receipt of the deposit, the Panel's recommendations would be implemented.

It was agreed the Committee needed to be more stringent on the Disciplinary Process in an effort to save further issues in the future.

After the Appeal Meeting and separate to it, DMB and IM met with EOCC to gather information/facts regarding the alleged placing of adverts on Players' Availability sites.

After discussion it was agreed, no further action would be taken with EOCC on this matter. DMB to write to EOCC on both these matters. **DMB.**

Finance:

DMB – Expenses invoice from one of the Appeal Panel members was handed to LP for payment. **LP**

LP reported

Finances have been circulated. It was noted 15 clubs had not paid their subscriptions by the due date of 31st January 2018. LP to pursue. **LP**

League insurance is due in a few weeks' time.

Agreed to purchase 10 scoring laptops at c. £230 each for teams in Division 4.

Communications to Clubs on new regulations etc:

Clubs need reminded about the new playing regulations before the start of the season.

Email to be sent out in a month. Agreed to keep including it in 'Shout Outs' and also to be published on Twitter. **DMB/DP**

Sub Committee reports:

Umpires – in absence of NH, DMB reported

A significant number of clubs still needed to submit nominated umpires.

NH/DMB Correspondence with Abingdon Vale and Brackley – Brackley had contacted a Warwickshire League who have 4 spare umpires most weeks who may be able to help. NH/DMB to progress **NH/DMB**

Grounds/Facilities.

JH reported.

GM & JH have put together a working document of criteria for Clubs' standards by the division they are in or aspire to.

After discussion it was agreed that if a club wins league but does not meet criteria they may not be allowed to move up but no current club would be relegated if didn't meet the standards. The League would consider a Club's proposals to meet the necessary standards.

It was agreed the document should be circulated now to give clubs time to do implement any changes or produce proposals to meet standards before May 2019.

DMB to write to Division 1 sides to inform them they need to be aware of the HCPCL criteria and requirements.

Cricket/Playing

Meet with 'eastern' Clubs all arranged for Long Marston March 6th. Clubs have been invited. (to include Eaton Bray).

Social Events –

Presentation Dinner booked for October 20th. A meeting to be held with the Belfry Hotel. Sub-committee considering format/speaker etc.

Links with other Leagues and County Boards:

JH & DB attended a very positive meeting 21st February 2018 on exchange of ideas/formats and gave the update.

Could be some bulk buying opportunities on eg balls, handbooks.

DMB, IM & PT to be put forward to be CCL representatives of the Disciplinary Panel members' 'Pool'.

Sponsorship:

Correspondence is on-going with Serious Cricket.

The matter was discussed. Serious Cricket had been informed that if they want to provide sponsorship then they would have to pay. It was noted that the League is financially sound, any sponsorship needed to be right for the Clubs but the League are open to suggestions

The League would need to give consideration to what any sponsorship monies would be used for. A plan is needed which outlines what we want.

A meeting to be arranged by IM and MD with Serious Cricket to discuss intentions/opportunities.

Website:

Registrations are available.

GM hasn't put any words on website about Rupert Evans in his role as President. BS to write a paragraph and send to GM. **BS**

DP not receiving 'Secretary@' emails. Likewise DMB cannot use to email DP. GM to investigate. **GM**

DMB cannot edit the 'Secretary@' email address book. GM to investigate. **GM**

Handbook:

With the increased use of on-line access, it was agreed the Handbook could be smaller in content and quantity ordered. (Following other Leagues examples).

The content should include ...

Club Contact information/Fixtures/League Constitution/Ground rules/

all Playing rules/Rain rules/Registration rules/Disciplinary rules/Umpires Panel.

A.O.B

JH –Consideration for running a Cup Competition?. After discussion it was agreed there was no scope for one at present.

Meeting closed at 21:31pm

Next meeting 22nd March 2018 – DW apologies

Proposed dates for 2018 meetings:

19th April- 17th May – 21st June

Pre-season meetings

23rd April Umpires /24th April Captains'