BASSETLAW & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Worksop Cricket Club on Tuesday, 8th March 2005 at 7.15pm.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. J. C. Garton (Chairman), G. Holden, G. Jones, J. H. Goodman, G. Evans, D. Graney, G. Pym

Present: Messrs. M. J. Smedley, (Vice-Chairman), A. H. Wilkinson (President), C. Adwick, J. B. Wilson, C. Drury, D. Edmunds, T. Haywood, J. Leaning, J. Heaman, K. Board, J. A. Bennett, P. Neale, C. R. Martin (Secretary).

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read, passed and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising. The Secretary had received a telephone call concerning the running of a web site from Andrew Alexander. Mr. Alexander would contact him again with the financial aspects of such a project. Duckmanton Lodge had obtained two more umpires who were being CRB checked on the evening of this meeting. The Secretary read a letter he had sent to the Chairman of the B & D.U.A. concerning which balls apparently complied with League Rules. Registration documents had been circulated to the clubs on 27th February.

Correspondence. In response to an enquiry from Ashover C.C. it was agreed that a registration form should show an overseas player's address in this country. The Committee's views on the selection of players for the Cedric Rhoades Cup matches had been sought by the Mansfield & District Cricket League and would be acknowledged forthwith, with names sent at a later date. An invitation had been received to attend the ECB Club Development Seminar being held at Ransome & Marles C.C. on the evening of this meeting; an apology had been sent. The Champion of Champions match on 18th September would be at Calverton C.C. Worksop C.C. were presenting a seat to the family of the late Cliff Willmott on 17th April at 2.00pm. The post of League Statistician was still to be filled following the circulation of a 'job description' to clubs and an enquiry from Gary France (Whitwell C.C.); Steve Spencer (Mansfield & Pleasley C.C.) was suggested as a possibility and would be contacted. Registrations: P. Colborne (Kiveton Park Colliery), Faisal Khan (Waleswood Sports), C. Butler (Sherwood Colliery). Following receipt of information from Peter McKenzie, 72 Panama hats had been ordered. The agendas for the AGM and the quarterly meeting of the League Cricket Conference had been received and the Secretary would be attending on 12th March. A Yorkshire C.B. newsletter and registration form had also been received. The decision to assist Blyth C.C. by holding a disciplinary hearing had been complicated because one of the complainants was under 18; the Secretary was to contact the County Development Officer and County Welfare Officer.

Finance. The Hon. Treasurer, Peter Neale reported a balance of £4424.12. A number of alternative insurance proposals were considered and it was agreed to continue with Marshall Wooldridge at a cost of £285. Twenty companies/organisations had taken advertising in the 2005 handbook.

Appointment of Umpires. The Umpires' Appointments Secretary, John Leaning reported that, if the recommendations made at the last meeting were adopted, some umpires would have to stand on their own for the majority of matches, and expressed the view of the B.&.D.U.A. that resignations would occur as a result. It was therefore agreed to appoint umpires for matches in Divisions One to Six, except to those between clubs not nominating an umpire, with the remainder being appointed to matches in Divisions Seven to Ten between clubs who fulfil their responsibilities.

Annual Dinner. The Secretary outlined the changes made in the format of the Dinner Programme in an effort to reduce costs. The President, Tony Wilkinson stated that cheques for sponsorship of the League and payment of David Lloyd would be available on the evening, and invited members of the Management Committee to have a drink with him in the Members' Bar prior to the Dinner. Members of the committee were asked to provide a tombola prize, and the allocation of duties on the evening was agreed.

Reports of Meetings. 1) A meeting with representatives of the Derbyshire Cricket Board had been held on Monday, 7th March to discuss various aspects of Child Welfare. Provided a CRB application was submitted by 1st April a person could remain active until notification was received, currently approximately 8 weeks. For this season the Derbyshire Board were insisting that overseas players, not resident in this country, have the equivalent of a CRB check, or a 'Certificate of Good Conduct' from the police in their own country, and register with the ECB. A 'Good Practice – Child Protection' course was being held at Derby on 5th May and 12th May for overseas players. The attendance of every Club Welfare Officer at a Training Course would be a requirement in 2006. It had been agreed that a League Child Welfare Officer was unnecessary. 2) The assessment committee of the B.& D.U.A. were considering boundary reports, on-field assessments, and the re-introduction of captain's reports.

The **Date of the next Meeting** was confirmed as Tuesday, 12th April 2005 at Worksop Cricket Club at 7.15pm.

Any other business. Cheques were to be prepared to be presented to the winners, runners-up and losing semi-finalists in the 2004 Tomlins Trophy competition. The Bassetlaw Cricket Partnership had secured an initial arrangement whereby, in 2005, Ezra Sugden would sponsor the competition and provide the match balls for the final and £350 for the winners.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.40pm.

Signed Date