

BASSETLAW & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Worksop Cricket Club on Tuesday, 14th February 2006 at 7.15pm.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. J. A. Bennett (President), J. C. Garton (Chairman), G. Holden, K. Board, S. Brown, G. Evans, G. Jones, J. Leaning

Present: Messrs. M. J. Smedley (Vice-Chairman), P. Neale, T. Haywood, C. Drury, C. Adwick, D. Graney, M. Daniels, G. France, K. Lound, J. B. Wilson, J. Heaman, , C. R. Martin (Secretary).

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

Matter Arising. A note of apology had been received from Steve Blagg (Worksop C.C.) which had been accepted by the umpires. Worksop were to be informed that Dean Randall would not be eligible to play until a letter had been received and that Andrew Smith could not play again unless he attended a hearing. It was agreed to divide the registration duties between the remaining four registrars, and the Secretary said that he would do the Division 6 – 10 statistics. Mansfield & Pleasley C.C. had provided the required additional umpire's details. A possible donation to the Bassetlaw Junior League would be dealt with in March as the requested balance sheet had not been received.

Correspondence. A draft of a letter from the Bassetlaw & District Umpires' Association to umpires who had not complied with Rule 6.2 was approved. The Secretary of the Association had also written to all clubs concerning umpires' insurance and CRB clearance. A cheque for the £25 fine for failing to register a player and a letter had been received from Retford C.C. and a suitable reply would be sent. The Under 25 game against the Derbyshire County League would take place at Farnsfield C.C. on 6th August. After a lengthy discussion concerning the outcome of the disciplinary proceedings against Kevin Vollans, it was decided that the £20 appeal deposit should not be returned as the club's grounds for appeal, that the 'decision found against him was incorrect' had not been supported, though the sentence had been varied. It was also agreed to propose amendments to Rule 7.4 at the AGM to place a time scale on the holding of hearings, and to indicate how the costs should be de-frayed. Application forms for membership of the four County Boards had been circulated to the relevant clubs and all four Nottinghamshire clubs not already members had submitted them. Chris Drury would represent the League at the AGM of the Derbyshire Cricket Board, and notification had also been received for that of the Yorkshire Cricket Board. An enquiry had been received from Bracebridge Heath C.C. with regard to its First XI re-joining the League for season 2007 and the likely level of entry. It was agreed that, following the usual procedures, acceptance into Division One was likely. Correspondence from two insurance companies was passed to the Treasurer. The most recent BCVS News Sheet included a reminder that grant aid was available from the Sir John Eastwood Foundation.

Finance. The Hon. Treasurer, Peter Neale, reported a balance of £4393.13 following settlement of accounts for telephone, AGM agenda printing, and a booking fee for the Annual Dinner speaker. An invoice for affiliation to the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board, and some monies for dinner tickets, had been received. Insurance for the League Representative teams would be renewed through the ECB scheme at a cost of £275. It was agreed to circulate information from Notts Sport, one of our advertisers, with the distribution to clubs at the dinner.

Annual Dinner. The guest speaker had been confirmed as Graham Lloyd (Lancashire & England) at a cost of £550 and the majority of the other invited guests had confirmed attendance. Les Jackson, Derek Brewer and Stewart Burrows were unable to attend and the David Tighe had accepted as a representative from Trent Bridge. Nobody had been invited from Ezra Sugden as the Secretary had been informed that they had withdrawn sponsorship. Peter Neale stated that finance, promised as prize money for the Tomlins Trophy, had not been received and he would follow this up with Bernie Jarvis.

Complimentary tickets were distributed to those present bringing the number to approximately 200. It was agreed that, in the likely absence of the retiring President, Alan Bennett, the Immediate Past President, Tony Wilkinson, should be invited to take the Chair.

Reports of Meetings. a) Nottinghamshire Cricket Board: all the officers of the Board and the Recreational Council had been re-elected and the vacancy on the Recreational Council had been filled. A disappointing take-up of the NatWest Cricket Force weekend, 8th/9th April, had been reported.

b) Bassetlaw & District Umpires' Association: John Heaman reported on an excellent monthly meeting when Darrell Hair, the Test Panel umpire had been the guest. The future of the A.C.U.& S. was 'a bit brighter'. Three candidates had passed the umpires oral exam at Hasland. A meeting would be held at Cuckney Cricket Club on 10th April to speak with captains of Division One and Two teams regarding the umpire assessments to be carried out.

Mallen Trophy. There were now 16 clubs who had shown interest in a Twenty20 competition and a meeting had been called at Worksop Cricket Club on Thursday, 23rd February at 7.30pm. Draft rules, which had been distributed to the clubs, were examined in detail and a number of amendments agreed. The Secretary was asked to draft a further rule concerning rain-affected matches.

The **Date of the next Meeting** was confirmed as Tuesday, 14th March 2006 at Worksop Cricket Club at 7.15pm

Any other business. It was agreed not to make pitch improvement awards. Cuckney Cricket Club was suggested as a good venue for the Champion of Champions Final, and the club subsequently agreed to this. The inter-youth league match for the Adwick Trophy would be played at Treeton C.C. on 23rd April. Malcolm Daniels reported on a meeting held at Mansfield Hosiery Mills C.C. with a number of officials of the ECB Development Department and would provide further information with a view to the League holding a similar meeting for other clubs.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.25pm.

Signed Date