

Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 6th December 2017

In the Chair: The President – Donald Earnshaw Esq.

Other Officers Present: The Chairman, Match & Registration Secretary, Finance Secretary, Administration & Disciplinary Secretary; Child Welfare, Trophies & Facilities Secretary and Media Secretary.

Clubs: All member Clubs were present with the exception of Cawthorne, Kirkheaton, Linthwaite and Meltham.

Apologies: General Secretary; Malcolm Westoby.

The Chairman Trevor Atkinson announced the nomination of the President, Mr Donald Earnshaw and asked the Council to approve the nomination; Mr Donald Earnshaw was duly elected unanimously.

The President welcomed everyone to the Annual General meeting and hoped to get around more of the clubs in 2018.

The Minutes

The minutes of the AGM held on the 14th December 2016 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the President.

There were no matters arising from those minutes.

Application for re-election to the League:

A letter from Denby Cricket Club applying for re-election to the League had been received as per Rule L7 (e), and was unanimously approved by the meeting.

Result of the voting on the Proposed Rule Amendments for 2018:

The Administration & Disciplinary Secretary announced the results of the recorded votes of the member Clubs on the Rule Amendment Proposals for the 2018 season. All member clubs voted except Cawthorne and Kirkheaton a complete list of the voting can be seen below:

| Item | For | Against | Result |
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| 1. All 45 over matches from April to August to start at 1:30pm | 12 | 29 | Rejected |
| 2. 12 noon start times all season for league and cup games | 5 | 36 | Rejected |
| 3. 40 overs to be played in all 2XI cricket matches. | 12 | 29 | Rejected |
| 4. Sponsorship to be allowed on the sleeves of cricket shirts | 32 | 9 | Carried |
| 5. 12 Teams in the Premiership and Premiership Two | 12 | 28 | Rejected |
| 6. Increase the sponsorship opportunities on cricket shirts and sweaters, and standardising cricket clothing | 39 | 2 | Carried |
| 7. 14 teams in Premiership Two to play 22 league matches | 19 | 21 | Rejected |
| 8. Sykes Cup to include Associate Member 1XI Teams. Paddock Shield for 2XI only. | 39 | 2 | Carried |
| 9. Increase the fine for non-attendance of Council meetings from £5 to £10 | 27 | 14 | Rejected |
| 10. All 50 over matches in April to start at 12:30pm | 22 | 14 | Rejected |
| 11. The use of a new ball to be made mandatory in all 1XI competition matches | 33 | 3 | Carried |

All 38 clubs voted

Annual Financial Report:

The financial statement for the Financial Year Ending October 31st 2017, which had been distributed with the AGM agenda, was presented by the Finance Secretary. He firstly thanked Craig Stratford of Simpson Wood Accountants, for assisting in the preparation and carrying out the audit of the accounts. He gave a verbal report to the meeting, with a surplus for the year of some £5,748.07. This leaves us with the Balance Sheet having assets standing at £49,430.00 with £6,303.29 loaned out to clubs and no repayments overdue. Cash at Bank – Money Manager HSBC £38,127 and Cash at Bank – Current HSBC was £4,789. Four new loan applications were currently under consideration. The financial report was accepted and approved by the meeting.

Draws for the Sykes Cup & Paddock Shield Competitions:

The draws for the Preliminary and 1st Rounds of the Sykes Cup and Paddock Shield Competition would be done at the following Council Meeting.

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The Election of Honorary Officers and Executive Members for 2018:

The President then asked the Council to elect, en-bloc the following Officers:-

Chairman: Trevor Atkinson

General Secretary: Norman Clee.

Financial Secretary: Bruce Heath.

Match & Registration Secretary: Phil Senior.

Administration & Disciplinary Secretary: Nick Oddy.

Child Welfare, Trophies & Facilities Secretary: Roger Peaker.

Media Secretary: Jamie Harrison.

A new Life Vice President: Ron Tindall - Proposed and seconded by the Executive Committee.

The Officers were duly elected by the Council unanimously.

The Council were then asked to elect the following Club representatives to be members of the Executive Committee: - Les Harrison (Delph & Dobcross); Malcolm Westoby (Elland); Craig McCreadie (Broad Oak). The Council approved the election unanimously.

Auditor Craig Stratford was nominated and re-elected unanimously.

The next Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday 5th December 2018 at Almondbury Cricket Club - 7.30pm