

# Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League

## EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 1st February 2017

In the Chair: Trevor Atkinson

**Other Officers Present** The President; General Secretary; Match & Registration Secretary; Finance Secretary; Administration & Disciplinary Secretary; Media Secretary.

**Life Vice Presidents:** Geoff Crompton; Roger France.

**Club Representatives:** Craig McCreadie; Malcolm Westoby.

**Co-opted Member:** Ron Tindall.

**Apologies:** Child Welfare, Trophies & Facilities Secretary ; Les Harrison.

### The Minutes

The minutes of the Executive meeting on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

### Introduction

The Chairman informed the meeting David Haikings the Umpires representative would be attending the meeting with a new proposal for umpires fees for 2017 a copy which had been emailed to the Executive. It was briefly discussed and felt if accepted would have to be a rule change. The Administration & Disciplinary Secretary gave a brief summary of the Umpires questionnaire sent out to the clubs. 21 had been returned with player behaviour and unwilling to commit to umpiring every week the main answers as to why less and less people are taking up umpiring.

### Matters arising

- Confirmation of Honoraria Levels 2017 – The meeting was advised of the agreed honoraria payments for 2017.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lunch – All arrangements were in place for Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017. Philip Ratcliffe Chairman of YCB would be proposing a toast to the Drakes Huddersfield League and Lea Roberts comedian would be providing the entertainment. Numbers would roughly be about 150 and if anyone was willing to sponsor and support the event to contact the General Secretary.

### Monthly Finance Report

The Financial Secretary reported outstanding club fines were Lascelles Hall £32.50, Cawthorne £5 and Meltham £15. Very little going on at the moment although spending had started for 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lunch. Drakes sponsorship money had been received for season 2017.

### Grounds and Facilities report

The Child Welfare, Trophies & Facilities Secretary was absent nothing to report.

### Disciplinary Report

The Administration & Disciplinary Secretary had nothing to report.

### Report from the UA

Ron Tindall reported he was well on with the appointments and it looked quite well as long as the club umpires would go to away games with their clubs and he didn't receive any backwards. 48 umpires would be in the league handbook but he still didn't know about 2 of them, so he had 46 league panel umpires at the moment in real time.

At this point the Chairman asked David Haikings to put forward the umpire's fees proposal for 2017/2018. The umpires were asking for £40.00 for 1<sup>st</sup> XI games, £38 for 2<sup>nd</sup> XI, £20 for T20 and if only one umpire stood then 1 and 1/2 times the match fee. A lot of discussion took place on the matter.

### Report from Match & Registration Secretary

The Match & Registration Secretary had nothing to report.

### Media Report

Jamie Harrison reported a logo for the 125<sup>th</sup> League Anniversary had been put on the website along with news article advertising the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary cricket match against the MCC. He had also been testing a new platform for the website.

### WYACC - AGM

The General Secretary had attended the AGM. He asked the meeting if we wished to enter a league team possibly an Under 22's side in the WYACC knockout cup. One drawback was the final was scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> September which would clash with our Premiership league fixtures that day.

### Any Other Business

- Umpires fees 2017 - The Executive discussed the earlier proposal from the UA. It was felt the proposal would involve changing a current league rule of umpires fees linked to RPI index increase every 2 years. The Executive would propose supporting the umpire's proposal but the clubs would have to vote on this. An SGM would be called to do this.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on Wednesday 1st March 2017 at Almondbury CC