



SYDNEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

(INC)

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting held

Monday 13th August 2018

Waratah Room SOP

Meeting Opened by Vice Chairman at 7.10 pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (President), Bruce Cook (VP), (Dir Finance), Alan O'Connell, Corinne Rochester, Rohan McCoy (Dir Fin)

Apologies Ken Campbell

Visitors Ian Soares, Colin Chapman (St George) ; John Walzak (M/bank), Andrew Ramsay, James Stephens (Ryde), Mike Thompson (Manly)

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

2. **AFFIRMATION OF DIRECTORS**

Each Director present affirmed that they continue to be qualified to act in the capacity as a Director of Sydney Hockey Association under the terms of the Corporations Act and is aware of, and complies with, the Constitution and its obligations.

3. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

A Conflicts Register is in place.

Directors were requested to note the Conflicts Register and to notify the President of Sydney Hockey Association of any new conflicts that need to be recorded in the register.

UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - GNS – (resolved)

4. **Confirmation of Minutes** – 23/7/18, moved to accept; Alan O'Connell, 2nd Corinne Rochester. passed

5. **BUSINESS ARISING**

a. **Proposed Competition structure 2019** - feedback – Club responses

- PB opened the meeting , welcoming visitors and outlining background to the initial proposal for 2019. PB affirmed that feedback was welcome and SHA would continue to look at inequities in SL grades, Promotion of Juniors; promotion of a fair and equitable competition.

- PB invited visitors to speak in response to the proposals the main points raised by visitors that deemed the following points as important to their clubs and the competitions were (in no particular order);
- Visitor responses in the meeting ; Requirements on clubs to have a Junior base; size of comps with even numbers – best outcome ; Pathways to get back into PL Grades an important concept for building clubs ; proposed restricting numbers for PL squads too restrictive (45); Linked to not putting barriers to progression into PL. ; Player poaching amongst clubs is a concern. Eligibility rules too lax/others see as imposing too many restrictions; 4 grade PL gives more opportunity ; SL club team pairing is an ideal; idea of needing to have 3 teams in PL grades too restrictive.
- PB thanks the visitors for their input along with the written responses received from 10 clubs – Resolved to continue to make necessary adjustments to structure for 2019 – keeping in view the aims of the association.

b. Umpire memo – feedback

- Discussed way forward – resolved to answer letter received with a solicitor's formal reply – PH to organise

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

- As per above discussion on 2019 proposals
- Resolved to ask clubs for a “roadmap” – 3yr – 5yr plans for their clubs and participation in SHA comps. Take the view of “what is your club going to bring to the comp”
- Call for a Deposit payment with November team nominations - \$200 fee
- Resolved to review eligibility rules in current set of rules;
- Resolved to ask a potential new clubs representatives to the next meeting to discuss plans

7. OFFICIATING REPORT

- 2 players suspended (*Red cards issued Monterey V Moorebank SL game*)
- Split rounds of SL finals & PL grades , challenging to cover - plan for all 3 pitches at Moorebank for PL qualifiers to go ahead.

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- Finals Schedule and locations – confirmed.
- Presentation Night - steady response from clubs at this point
- Live Stream quote for GF day - accepted

9. FINANCE REPORT

- Distributed by email. Resolved to accept the treasurers report.

10. General Business

- Nil

Meeting closed 9.50 pm

SHA Board Meetings 2018

Monday, 10 Sep 18, 7pm Hockey NSW Boardroom

Monday, 8 Oct 18, 7pm Hockey NSW Boardroom

Monday, 12 Nov 18, (AGM – 7pm) (**Redfern Room**)

Monday, 10 Dec 18. 7pm Hockey NSW Boardroom