



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

Monday 10th October 2022

Venue - Eva Redfern Room

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.10pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (Pres) Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Alan O'Connell,

Visitors – Pat Morrison

Apologies - Rohan McCoy, Robbie Sutton, David Krepp

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 registered.

UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 5/9/22 Minutes, motion to accept; Alan O'Connell 2nd Bruce Cook

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

5. **Discussion with Pat Morrison** – Pat represented on behalf of SGR and SESH.

Discussion around, How did the Board view SESH. Noted that one PL team made the finals, General thoughts were Club heading in the right direction. Noted that the SL teams were – appeared to be a race to the bottom and were capable of being in higher grades. Noted that SGR have had a turf for 20 years and probably havent shown the benefits that brings to a club.

Structure was discussed and Pat noted SESH keen about the future into 2023.. Noted the club had commitments from a number of senior players to stay with the club and promote junior development. Pat noted a view of the club about Top 6 and play-offs. Pat also noted that SESH were supportive of Live Streaming and he asked for regualr feedback from SH to the Club.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

- Noted the pleasant presentation evening and in particular the Officials table well attended and how they enjoyed the evening.

6. FINANCE REPORT

- Rohan discussed emailed Monthly finance report –AO'C resolved to accept, 2nd Ken Campbell.
- Discussed Honorariums to be paid and Trophy account still to come in.

7. OFFICIATING REPORT

- The 2022 Sydney Hockey Season is now over and all 2022 Officiating Tasks are now complete. All games are now complete and Official's expenses have now been paid.
- In preparation for the 2023 season all current Technical Officials have a Teal shirt. The Sydney League Umpire shirts have now been received as well a second order of Premier League Umpire Shirts. Therefore Officiating is well prepared for the start of the 2023 season.

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- Discussed O'niells offer of 'kind' sponsorship – rejected by the Board
- Discussed HNSW sponsors and if some commercial deal could be available for livestreaming.
- Memo from Glebe president discussed. EO to Write to Briars to ascertain if Polic matter still current. Board resolved that the matter should be moved forward in February 2023. Further work on our Competition rules to strength rules around citing is also required. – introduce a intent to cit form to be signed by club officials? - discussed

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Rules review item – noted a team in PL3 filing from the dugout and reviewing umpires decisions and impacting those views on the game from the dugout.

- **Meeting closed 8.45pm**

Next meeting 12th December – Eva Redfern Room



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

Monday 12th December 2022

Venue - Eva Redfern Room

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.10pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (Pres) Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Alan O'Connell, Rohan McCoy, Robbie Sutton, David Krepp

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

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UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 10/10/22 Minutes, motion to accept; Alan O'Connell 2nd Ken Campbell

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- Oneills Sponsorship offer ; Discussion centred on what SH want out of a total advertising package for Live Streaming. **Resolved** for Alan O'connell to prepare a doc outling possible advertisng opportunites. **Resolved** to write back to Oneills ask for a little more time consider acceptance of their offer
- Briars/Glebe matter – SH to move on as a Judiciary matter in Febuary if there are no further developments
- Rules Review – PH to send out summary for Board to consider at Feb meeting

PRESIDENTS REPORT

- PB noted calls from clubs (Macq Uni re 2023 structure. Noted that NWS may nominate a 3rd team – If that happens Board wish to examine submission
- Welcomed David Krepp to the Board.

5. **FINANCE REPORT**

- Rohan discussed emailed Monthly finance report –AO'C resolved to accept, 2nd Ken Campbell.
- Discussed Honorariums to be paid and Trophy account still to come in.

6. **OFFICIATING REPORT**

Nil to report following successful night out at the presentation evening

7. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

- 2023 timetable Timetable following AGM – Resolved to leave State U18 day in scheudle as a bye – due to large number of players and officials that will be attending
- Live stream costs – Moorebank suggestion – Noted M/B thoughts concerning 50/50 split
- Consider other venues for live stream when SOP N/A – Needed to have prepared – eg Easter 15th – move match to Ryde ?
- Manly/GNS complaint re fines – Fines stand. Noted
- Sutherland club feedback re Draw – discussed indirectly at AGM – comments re structure of the draw noted – PH to review when preparing 2023 draw. Othr note re U21s – avoided in 2023 due to timetabling
- National framework to change 2024 - Note
- National High performance – Perth - Noted
- Write to Paul Mills accepting quote for 2023
- Meeting dates for 2023 distributed

8. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

- **Meeting closed 8.28pm**

Next meeting 13th February – Eva Redfern Room



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

Monday 13th February 2023

Venue - Banksia Room Quaycentre

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.05pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (Pres) Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Rohan McCoy

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Visitors : Paul Economides

Apologies ; Alan O'Connell, Robbie Sutton, David Krepp

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UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 12/12/2022 Minutes, motion to accept; Peter Busch 2nd Rohan McCoy

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- Oniells sponsorship offer – Write to O'neills requesting a one year sponsorship
- Briars/Glebe matter – EO to organise a Judiciary meeting
- Rules review for January – Held over

PRESIDENTS REPORT

- PB discussed Sydney Masters offer to join in a players insurance alternative to normal HA/HNSW registration – Meeting resolved to decline this offer
- PB discussed having a discussion with HNSW CEO (3/2/23) re previous memo asking for affiliation of SH. SH is concerned about the flow of funds to Associations.

5. FINANCE REPORT

- Rohan discussed emailed Monthly finance report –
- Discussed LiveStream costs compared with proposed sponsorship and SH Reserves.
- Idea discussed to be upfront with clubs about costs and encourage clubs to put their sponsors advertisements on Live stream for a fee.

6. OFFICIATING REPORT

- Delay proposed Officiating AGM for a few weeks.

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- PL Draft Draw – Live stream Matches – Discussed and agreed on proposed schedule for Live Stream matches
- Consider other venues for live stream when SOP N/A – Needed due to no SOP at Easter and date in August when the Womens WC will be in the park.
- David Moore commentary – Noted that David has accepted to be chief commentator again in 2023
- Paul Mills invoice – Noted referred to Finance
- SL team nominations/movements – Discussed make up of Grades with need to move teams due to promotions and where noms fell, eg 5 teams for SL2 and 13 for SL4
- Public Liability CofC – Received from HOHANS PL certificate for 2023

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Paul Economides discussed with the Board, UTS club claims to be in Premier league. Paul mentioned previous discussions with Macquarie Uni about a merger with new branding for the joint venture – These discussions failed.
- Paul also was concerned about losing players from the club.
- PB discussed with Paul the previous years performance and the number/ages of players in the 2022 squads and UTS proposals on how to increase these numbers.
- PB offered to facilitate a meeting with UTS & Macq Uni if required to further the joint venture idea.
 - **Meeting closed 9.20pm**

Next meeting 13th March – Waratah Room



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

(Presidents Forum)

Monday 13th March 2023

Venue - Eva Redfern Room Quaycentre

Meeting Opened by Vice Chairman at 7.05pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Rohan McCoy,(Finance) David Krepp,
Alan O'Connell, Robbie Sutton,

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Visitors : Damian Dorman (ND), Harri Roopra (ND), Nick Hancock (UNSW), Lachlan Hoban
(Bankstown)

Apologies ; Peter Busch (Pres), Anthony McInnes (SUHC), Matt Rowling (Sharks), Iqbal
Singh (Sydney Lions)

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- R Sutton mentioned conflict if discussing O'Neills offer – Noted.

UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 13/03/2023 Minutes, motion to accept; Ken Campbell 2nd Rohan McCoy

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- Confirmation of 2023 comp Rules – Discussed amendments, **resolved to accept** – EO to distribute
- Sponsorship issues – Livestream costs – Discussed O'Neills offer with Board members in general dis agreement to accept and the reset what outcomes SH

want from any advertising. Resolve that SH need a revised plan to take to market.

- HNSW followup – no further contact at this point.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

- Peter unable to attend due to an urgent personal matter.

5. FINANCE REPORT

- Rohan discussed emailed Monthly finance report –
- Discussed proposed Budget (emailed copy)
- Discussed how to fund Livestreaming in 2023 – Combo of small increase (\$300) to PL fees, with a draw down on reserves + whatever Advertising funds can be gained

6. OFFICIATING REPORT

The 2023 SHA pre-season is well and truly underway and the Officiating Committee has been providing officials for club trial matches for the past three weeks. The Committee is using the opportunity to prepare Harry Lye and Michelle Farnill for the Under 21 National Championship to be conducted at Homebush from 22 to 29 March 2023. It is also using the opportunity to trial and assess some new umpires such as Hayden Newell a First Grade Umpire from Brisbane who has relocated to Sydney to develop his Aviation career and to assess newer Umpires like Karl Smith from Briars who was awarded his Premier League Pink Umpires shirt last Saturday week in a trial match between Briars and University of Sydney.

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- Bruce Cook – Chair,
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- Brodie Billet – Committee Person,
- Graeme Cartwright – Committee Person, and
- Craig Millar – Committee Person.

Motion – to increase Umpire Coach fee for PL matches to \$75. Moved BC, 2nd A O'C, accepted

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- Season Draw issued – distributed
- SaveLife dates for SOP - sent
- Luke Domrow memo re Livestreaming Plans for Sutherland- Noted receipt and offer by Luke to assist where required

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Memo from Briars to withdraw a nominated team from SL grades. Resolved to accept SL7 withdrawing.
- Northern Districts offered the ability to field an additional team and take up the SL7 spot – Resolved to accept with thanks
- EO to revise the draw and re-issue.

- **Meeting closed 8.02pm**

Next meeting 11th April – Eva Redfern Room



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Next meeting 11th April – Eva Redfern Room



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

Monday 8th May 2023

Venue - Waratah Room SOP

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1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (Pres), Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Rohan McCoy,(Finance) David Krepp, Alan O'Connell, Robbie Sutton,

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Visitors Paul Economides, Ben Coveny (UTS)

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Confirmation of Minutes – 11/04/2023 Minutes, motion to accept; Rohan McCoy 2nd Robert Sutton

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- UTS memos – discussion with Ben and Paul principally regarding Umpire appoints and standards for SL1 & SL2 UTS matches. Items covered by Paul & Ben and Board members included appropriate level of umpire expertise has been appoint to UTS matches. Explanation of how umpires are graded was given by Bruce C, UTS also asked for solutions to their concerns.
- Paul also mentioned PL3 Ryde player playing in SL1 – covered in memos by Paul and EO)

- Paul also complained of lack of club days at P2 – summary of UTS matches and pairing provided to Paul in an earlier memo).
- Paul expressed ideas on draw construction for divisions of 8 teams playing just 14 rds over 18,19 weeks
- Discussed Corey Eslick – apparent suspension by different association – has effect for SH also.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

- PB expressed ide for a GoalKeepers Yearly award
- Names suggested – discuss more at next meeting
- Note Brians illness – also touched on 2022 award presentation. Confirm arrangements next meeting.

5. FINANCE REPORT

- Emailed to Board Finance statement
- Rohan noted many invoices being paid
- Umpire payments to be done in the next week.

6. OFFICIATING REPORT

- Bruce noted 90% coverage with appointment in past period
- New supply of 50 'Ball person' shirts from O'neils
- More 'yellow' shirts need to be ordered
- Umpire shop on website to be developed
- Discussed Incident in soccer match regarding suspend players at the field. - What is the international rule – To f/u
- Email each week from EO regarding Yellow card status.

7. EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- Ryde SL6 withdrawn from the competition – Fine? – Resolve to offer to Ryde withdrawal of \$1000 fee in return for Ryde paying for extra scaffolds costs with livestreaming.
- Glebe Red Card – Tim Pritchard discussed – with video evidence 'double yellow/Red reduced to 10 minute yellow. Suggestion from Andrew Scotting that clubs be asked for Video evidence up front to be instituted.
- Club shirt approvals – Alternate socks – away team to wear when there is a clash.
- Macquarie University SL5 goalkeeper – female
 - Noted that Macquarie less than truthful about having gained permission from SH
 - HA policy backs players playing in gender comps that best suits gender.
 - Consider Rule amendment to 5.2g – wording from HA policy
 - Club asked to not play female GK.
 - Inquires with RevSport show that relied on filter does not work on our site.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Hall of Fame nominees – ongoing
 - **Meeting closed 9pm**

Next meeting 5th June –Waratah Room



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

Monday 5th June 2023

Venue - Waratah Room SOP

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.03pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (Pres), Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Rohan McCoy,(Finance) David Krepp, Alan O'Connell, Robbie Sutton,

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Visitors Andrew Scotting (Judiciary Chair); Jag Chinna, Chris Heath (Sydney Lions), David Gilbert (M/B)

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UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 8/05/2023 Minutes, motion to accept; David Krepp 2nd Alan O'Connell

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- Booth medal arrangements – present to winner at livestream game PL2 half time on – inquire if Brians Daughter would like to present
- Macquarie Uni GK requests – discussed permissions for a female GK to play – discussed pro/cons and interpreting policy, as far as what could be found. Urging of caution in deciding on this subject – further information required about subjects re facilities; child protection, 1st aid.

- Noted published info about BB passing SH acknowledge received pleasant messages.

5. **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

- Resolved to award B&F GK award through vote counts in PL1 + an individual vote from PL1 coaches. EO to f/u with Medal order
- Resolved to call the medal the “Bob Proctor” medal
- PB has had contact with Brent Livermore – Director of Hockey – plan to have a meeting soon.
- Matty’s Hope proposal – Resolved to support and ask Clubs to match donations promised by Matty’s family

6. **FINANCE REPORT**

- Emailed to Board current Finance statement
- Resolved to rollover \$80,000 for 12 mths
- Discussed ‘package ‘D’ advertising just once category for Live Streaming

7. **OFFICIATING REPORT**

SYDNEY HOCKEY OFFICIATING - EFFECTIVENESS 2023

	Total Appointments	Umpire Coaches	Technical Officials	Club Appointments	SHO Umpires	Effectiveness	
Expense 020423	100	3	13	7	77	93%	
Expense 160423	110	3	17	1	89	99%	
Expense 300423	99	1	14	1	83	99%	
Expense 070523	64	4	0	5	55	92%	State
Expense 140523	109	3	16	0	90	100%	
Expense 210523	109	2	16	12	79	89%	State
Expense 280523	112	2	18	2	90	98%	State

Good Evening Board Members,

The Sydney Hockey Officiating numbers continue to grow despite at the same time non-engaged members are being deleted from Assignor. This time last year there were 104 members and currently there are 118.

A number of the newer members are being assessed as to their suitability to umpire Premier League. As a result of assessments the following have received their Pink Premier League Umpire Shirts:

- Lachlan Walsh,
- Karl Smith,
- Thomas Kitsoukilas, and
- Patrick Mortlake.

Congratulations to these new Premier League Umpires.

- BC wishing to discuss Draw structure for 2024 at the next meeting

8. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

- Increasing complaints re higher grade players dropping grades – rules 5.5a; 5.8; 6.4 & 6.5
 - SL4 Sydney Uni V Monterey ; Sydney Uni V Briars
 - Glebe SL3; SL5 UTS V M/b

- Discussed and resolved to mark the SL4 match Sydney Uni V Monterey as a forfeit by Syd Uni
 - Other clubs acted on match card issues
- Re Uniforms – Lions, UNSW, Macquarie, Ryde – EO to review re clashes
 - Memo to PL clubs re need for manager – rule 7.11 (15th May) – Noted sent
 - Live Streaming 12th August – timing (Lidcombe) – Resolved to have PL1 at 3.30 & PL2 at 5pm, followed by PL3 then SL2 . EO to f/u with Paul Mills about arrangements.

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- GB item discussed at the beginning of the meeting ; Sydney Lions SL5 walk off.
 - PB discussed with Lions representatives the action taken by the SL5 team in match V SGR.
 - PB outlined the level of concern the Board have with such actions – in fact no one can recall a similar event.
 - Lions felt umpire calls were going against them to a level of frustration. Chris Heath noted that he was behaving in an aggressive manner and said that other players in the team made the decision to walk-off after he received a yellow card late in the match. Chris did note some personal issues that contributed to his state of mind at the time.
 - PB emphasised the 'walk-off' is not an appropriate way for the team to behave and respect for officials is very important.
 - BC noted that umpires remark at not showing a Red Card to Chris for his verbal backlash, was to not inflame the matter
 - Following the discussion after the Lions reps left the room the Board resolved to declare the match a forfeit by Lions however the penalty cards would remain.
 - EO asked to write to Lions informing them if further events like this happen the Club would be looking at a reduction in points for all grades.
- **Meeting closed 9pm**

Next meeting

10/07/2023 Monday



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Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Visitors Jag Chinna, Iqbal Singh, Navtej Singh (Sydney Lions)

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UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 5/6/2023 Minutes, motion to accept; Ken Campbell 2nd Alan O'Connell

4. BUSINESS ARISING

- Matty's Hope day 29th July – info to clubs. Live stream add developed by Paul – discussed how many times to run and allow for other adds.
- Sydney Lions – see GB.
- Noted BB medal arrangements.

- Draw prep 2024. Bruce discussed subject to consider in 2024. Alternate arrangements for Greenhill times ; having only one PL set at PH at one time ; Stagger PL times ; Kyeemagh times not past 6.30p (and elsewhere)

5. **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

- PB has an appointment with HNSW (Emma & Brent) to discuss SH and structure

6. **FINANCE REPORT**

- Emailed to Board current Finance statement
- Resolved to accept moved by Ken Campbell, 2nd Alan O'Connell

7. **OFFICIATING REPORT**

The most exciting activity that is occurring in the Officiating space in 2023, is the number of younger Umpires that are making an entry into Premier League Umpiring ranks. In 2023 the following younger Umpires have had an entry into Premier League:

- Lucas Clinch – Moorebank Liverpool,
- Anastacia Flack – Briars,
- Thomas Kitsouklias – Moorebank Liverpool,
- Thomas Jack Margetson – Sutherland,
- Patrick Mortlock – Moorebank Liverpool, and
- Lachlan Walsh – Baulkham Hills – NWS.

Special mention needs to go to Moorebank Liverpool District who has contributed three of the six new Umpires.

Whilst Umpiring Effectiveness continues to be greater than 93% across all grades however, the Round over the weekend 1 and 2 July was a real challenge due to School Holiday, the Under 18 Boy's and Girl's National Championship in Hobart and the Over 55's Men's Masters in Port Macquarie. The effectiveness of that round was down to an all time low of 80% using 21 Club Umpires. If a similar mix of National, State and State School Holidays were to occur perhaps no Sydney Hockey should be scheduled that weekend.

When considering the structure of the 2024 draw, the Officiating Committee would request:

- Greenhills – Minimal stand-alone games at 5:00 pm. If the game were at 12:30 someone might Umpire at Greenhills and drive to another ground to Umpire a second or even a third game. Alternatively the Sharks games could be conducted as a third game at Sutherland on Saturday or Sunday.
- Pennant Hills – Only one set not two of Premier League games (PL3, 2 and 1) being conducted at the same time at Pennant Hills. There are insufficient Technical Officials in Northern Sydney to support two Premier League quality games at Pennant Hills at the same time.
- Premier League – Ideally in the 2024 there will be a set of Premier League games conducted each weekend at the later times of 5:00 PM, 6:30 PM and 8:00PM. This would facilitate the appointment playing umpires to games.

8. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

- Lee Brady regrading. – meeting not in favour of Lee dropping to PL2 – EO to write.
- Noted memo's received , SESH re who is Live Streamed, Ryde Pitch cleaning – TBA
- Resolved to book Canterbury Leagues for Presentation night.

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- GB item discussed at the beginning of the meeting ; Sydney Lions SL2 behaviour.
 - PB discussed with Lions representatives the behaviour by the SL2 team in match V Sydney Uni – words exchanged with the Umpire after the match who had issued a Red Card during the match
 - Sydney Lions had previously responded in writing after discussing with players what happened in the match and about the how they saw the incident and deny approaching the umpire after the game.
 - PB outlined the level of concern the Board have with such actions and emphasised the Respect for Officials that we strive for in SH
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- **Meeting closed 9pm**

Next meeting

7/8/23 Monday



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Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Apology; Ken Campbell

Visitors Matt Rowling, Raj Mavji – Cronulla Sharks

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 - At time of meeting - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 10/7/2023 Minutes, motion to accept; Rohan McCoy 2nd Alan O'Connell

4. BUSINESS ARISING

5. PRESIDENTS REPORT

- PB discussed the Matt Lam appeal response and idea to make it an annual fixture in consultation with the Lam family
- HNSW meeting schedule for Thursday 17th 2pm
- PB to contact PL1 coaches re Bob Proctor award

6. FINANCE REPORT

- Emailed to Board current Finance statement
- Lions have paid outstanding amount

- Resolved to accept moved by Rohan, 2nd Ken Campbell

7. **OFFICIATING REPORT**

Well we are quickly rushing forward to the end of the 2023 normal season and into the final series. Over last weekend's round there were three "RED" cards issued. This is the same number of RED cards (sightings not included) for the remainder of the season. All three RED cards were issued for almost the same reason. In each case a player commits a breach. receives a YELLOW card and then wants to dispute the awarding of the card with the Umpire. This does not work out well and so we had three REDs this Saturday.

As with the Sharks incident, who will be at the Board meeting tonight, we are working really hard with our younger Umpires. Some of them have made considerable improvement this season however, after all this work, the last thing I want is to lose them because of Umpire abuse.

In previous years we had a junior umpire of the year award. This was dropped when the Men's Association stopped running the Under 17 Competition. In recognition of our younger Umpires I would like to propose a **Junior Umpire of the Year Award**. This award would be known as the **Mathew Lam Junior Umpire of the Year Award**. I have spoken to the Lam family and they are very excited by this proposal. The would be chosen by the Officiating Committee from Sydney Hockey Umpires under the age of 20 at the date of the Sydney Hockey Grand Final or Presentation Night.

As the season draws to a close there is enough Umpire Shirts to get us through the 2023 season however, a new order for Sydney League Umpire shirts and Ball person T shirts will need to be placed before the start of the 2024 season.
Discussed uniform supplier in 2024. - TBC

Effectiveness table available -see EO

8. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

- BB medal presented at PL1/2 match
- 'Mattys Hope' Success – the future? - discussed
- Presentation Venue booked – MC booked
- PL1 ND Player long term suspension – discussed notice given by other association
- Finals draft – EO preparing. Using Lidcombe as 3rd pitch

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Two representatives from Sharks HC, Matt and Raj attended the meeting. PB spoke about concerning reports of mis- behaviour and attitudes towards umpires particularly at Greenhills in the 5pm slot. In a recent incident the Umpire left the match at quarter time.
- Raj mentioned that the team appreciate the allocation of umpires and is working with his team to improve.
- BC mentioned the difficulties of providing at Greenhills at 5pm. He noted that a number of umpires will no longer accept the 5pm match. It was also noted that in 2024 all clubs will have to list a team umpire.
- It was also mentioned that the time slot given (5pm) at the most expensive pitch in Sydney was becoming unworkable. Sharks to consider offering a different time slot or combine with the schedule at Miranda. Allocation of time slot was disputed, however this is the time that was given since the introduction of the team some years ago.- PH

- Meeting closed 8.20pm



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting

Monday 11th September 2023

Venue - Eva Redfern Room SOP

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.00pm

1. ATTENDANCE:

Board: Peter Busch (Pres), Bruce Cook (VP) Ken Campbell, Rohan McCoy,(Finance) David Krepp, Alan O'Connell,

Executive Officer: Peter Hayes

Apology ; Robbie Sutton

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 registered.

UNFINANCIAL CLUBS - At time of meeting - Nil

Confirmation of Minutes – 14/8/2023 Minutes, motion to accept; Rohan McCoy 2nd Alan O'Connell

4. BUSINESS ARISING

- PB contacted the Lam family about making the support day a yearly event. – they are quite happy about the concept.

Motion of condolence; The committee wish to pass on to Robbie our thoughts and best wishes to robbie and his family on news of his son passing in the past week.

Moved Peter Busch – unanimously resolved

5. **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

- PB discussed possible future involvement with Belgravia (NB) clothing, umpires gear as an online option
- PB discussed possible changes to the SH logo
- Noted that Hawkesbury Brewing as a Live stream sponsor

6. **FINANCE REPORT**

- Emailed to Board current Finance statement & discussed
- Resolved to accept moved by Peter B 2nd Alan OConnell

7. **OFFICIATING REPORT**

Well the end of the 2023 season is almost with us with all the Sydney League Grand Finals conducted successfully without incident, last Saturday. This was a very successful day and everyone I spoke to was full of praise as to how the day was conducted. Many of the Sydney League Grand Finals ran into extra time and were only decided by shootouts. This was confirmation as to the success of the 2023 draw.

Unfortunately, as many of the games required extra time the day's program fell behind time, creating conflict with the PL1 Preliminary Finals being conducted after the SL1 Grade Final. The Board of Sydney Hockey needs consider deconflicting these events and possibly having the Premier League Finals at an alternate venue, such as Moorebank.

All appointments for next Saturday's Premier League Finals have now been published and accepted and so the 2023 season is all but done.

Currently with the final series Officiating has received a request from Umpires for the Combined High Schools final series via Hockey NSW. Several Sydney Umpires have responded to this request.

As we start thinking about the 2024 Season, Officiating would request the following when compiling the 2024 Competition:

- If the new northside field is commissioned in 2024 only one Premiership set of games be conducted in a weekend at the new field or Pennant Hills as there are insufficient Officials on Sydney's northern suburbs.
- Games times at Greenhills should vary and not be restricted to 5:00 PM every Saturday. Scheduling on a Sunday at Sutherland might be an option.
- No games scheduled at Kyeemagh after 6:30 PM due to lighting and weather conditions.
- Finally a new clothing provider will be required in 2024 for Umpire apparel.

8. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

- EO discussed and resolved with the committee, various award nominees for presentation night.
- Next meeting to discuss Rule changes for 2024. (noted changes to be reviewed around PL1&2 and review up/down rules in SL grades.
- Noted issues with Riley Nilan suspension – SH view suspension applies to SH matches at start of 2024
- EO to reply to NB re St Ives, declining to use the facility due to sand based hybrid turf

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Meeting closed 8.15pm