



SYDNEY HOCKEY

Minutes of the Board of Management Meeting held

Tuesday 11th June 2019

Waratah Room SOP

Meeting Opened by Chairman at 7.05 pm

1. **ATTENDANCE:**

Board: Peter Busch (President), Bruce Cook (VP), Rohan McCoy (Dir Fin), ,
Robbie Sutton, Corinne Rochester, Ken Campbell

Apologies Alan O'Connell

Visitors

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

4. **Confirmation of Minutes** – 13/5/19, moved to accept; Corinne Rochester, 2nd
Robbie Sutton, passed

5. **BUSINESS ARISING**

- a. Ground Clocks – issues at several grounds – Cintra is difficult – Resolved to write to all clubs with facilities about general improvements needed with clocks, field conditions
- b. R.S. to f/u price on Officiating Hoodies

6. PRESIDENTS REPORT

- Section set aside for Rules review. Committee is working through the book to make adjustments

7. OFFICIATING REPORT

The 2019 Season is almost at the midpoint and presents an ideal opportunity to review the officiating season to date. This year has been more demanding than previous years due to:

- Number of teams,
- Absence of byes,
- The spread of the competition across Sydney,
- Reduction in the use of later game times (6:30 & 8:00 PM) and
- The increase of playing umpires, requiring appointments to be aligned with their playing commitments, eliminating their availability on some Saturdays.

The Officiating Committee is also concerned that several of the First Grade Umpires are at a stage of their life where they are at a decision point which going forward may impact their availability. As a counter to this there has been an increase in Umpire Coaching. The committee is appointing more officials each week than last year however with more teams in the 2019 Sydney competition the effectiveness has been reduced.

On a positive note, Assignor is being better utilised in the 2019 season than 2018. The only real challenge is more effectively capturing availability. Unlike last year officials are initially declaring themselves available however, as the appointment approaches declining an appointment within seven days of the appointment. This places stress on the Committee however, this often results in a Club appointment. Also appointments at Greenhill's are difficult to cover due to the "tyranny of distance" and the shortage of umpires in that area of Sydney. Most appointments at this venue are Club Appointments covered by Tartans.

To date all officials have received two expense payments with a third eminent. Also the radios are working well and have been well received by the officials

- General Discussion on .PL1-3 Umpires routine in administering the game including grading of umpires

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER / CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

- Ryde/Easts correspondence – F/u to Ryde – players noted have been allocated to correct teams
- Letter from GNS & reply – discussed. Noted replies from GNS president
- Glebe/UNSW correspondence – Two points noted ;
 - 1st is the memos re graded players queries from a member of Glebe club & f/u by EO. UNSW indicated players returning from injury.
 - 2nd an incident report from Bruce Cook dated 6th June was tabled and discussed. Committee resolved for the EO to write to Glebe with the committee's concerns about the incident with the PL2 coach.
- Media Streaming Tender conditions & process – EO presented a draft guideline to be distributed to interested broadcasters.
- Fines – noted to Rohan for action
- Lighting standards – up to date copy provided to clubs
- SOP defibs – f/u by Peter. Noted that SOPA are responsible and indicated batteries were checked in Feb 2019

10 **FINANCE REPORT**

- Report accepted – moved Rohan 2nd Corinne Rochester
- Next round of umpire payments in process

GENERAL BUSINESS - Nil

- Meeting closed 8.30 pm

SYDNEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (INC)

SHA Board Meetings 2019

8/07/2019	Monday	
12/08/2019	Monday	
9/09/2019	Monday	
14/10/2019	Monday	
11/11/2019	Monday	AGM (Redfern Room)
9/12/2019	Monday	