

Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Prospect Petanque Clubrooms on Thursday 9 September 2010 Starting at 7:00 pm

Present:	Graham Clark	President
	Adrian Clements	Vice Chairman
	Stan Wilson	Secretary
	Marcus Marende	Committee (Eastern Suburbs)
	Deb Rodda	Eastern Suburbs
	Ray Beaumont	Committee (Port Noarlunga)
	Glenis Head	Committee (Gawler)
	Anthony Pietsch	Committee (AHPC)
	John Wilson-Smith	Committee (FAB)
	Brett Williams	Committee (Prospect)
	A Mathews	Prospect
	Tina Stockley	Committee (Adelaide)
	Alba Moya	Adelaide

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from; Coonawara Petanque Club, Adrian Clements, Maitie Beaumont, Brenton Key and Anders Holmdahl.

The League President opened the meeting and thanked the committee members for attending.

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 29 July 2010 had previously been circulated to all members. The Secretary reported that Anthony Pietsch had noted that the position agreed on proposal 2 was not exactly as proposed. The proposal suggested "clubs should nominate referees" and the committee had decided that the interclub competition host club should nominate referees. Also he pointed out that he had only agreed to consider participating in the PFA document review and had not agreed as recorded in the draft minutes. Other committee members were delighted to point out that the secretary had entered an incorrect date for the next meeting. These errors have been corrected in the formal minutes. Anthony Pietsch proposed and Glenis Head seconded that with the corrections the minutes be accepted as a true record of that meeting. The vote accepting them was unanimous. The President and Secretary then signed a copy of the minutes. A signed copy will be placed on the SAPL website.

3. Actions Arising:

- a. Contact Sport SA for advice on Insurance policies
The Secretary had completed this action but had not circulated the information to member clubs. Action to remain open until this is done.

Action Open
- b. Review and comment on the Jean Phillippe Guiglielmi proposal
Gawler have provided a written commentary, other clubs commented verbally at the meeting. The general feeling was that many of the points raised by Jean-Phillipe were in fact being implemented at the moment. The difficult point was the selection aspects. The current situation regarding coaching, which would be discussed later, had somewhat preempted discussions on that subject.

Action Closed

The Secretary was asked to write to Jean Phillipe expressing the result of its consideration of his proposal.

Action Stan Wilson

c. Investigate a State wide Insurance Policy.

The Secretary reported that he had contacted Insurance companies and that it would be feasible for SAPL to take out an equivalent policy to that offered by PFA. No specific quotations had been requested but from information received he considered that the policy would cost in the order of \$3000. The Secretary was asked to continue with the action and seek specific quotations.

Action Open

d. Pay SAPL affiliation fee

The clubs that hadn't paid the affiliation fee were awaiting an invoice from the Treasurer. On behalf of the Treasurer Ray explained that no invoices had been sent because there was an action on all clubs to pay affiliation fees recorded in the last minutes. He agreed that the Treasurer would provide the necessary invoices as soon as possible.

Action Open

4. To Discuss and Respond to the letter from PFA dated 14 August (Attached)

The member clubs presented a number of views related to the letter that we have received from PFA. These ranged from "Don't care" to recognizing an opportunity to enforce our position on PFA to an appreciation that PFA appears to be listening to the difficulties we have identified. Based on the discussions Brett Williams proposed and Tina Stockley seconded that the Secretary should compose a letter in response, and circulate it to all clubs for review and agreement prior to sending it to PFA.

Action Stan Wilson

Topics to be included are:

- Recognition of the positive approach PFA is taking
- Confirmation that players are not prepared to take out a licence because of the perceived value of doing so rather than the actual cost. What benefits does affiliation bring to me?
- Problems caused by the PFA licence structure. Why can't we organize competitions between licenced and non licenced players?
- In principle acceptance of the Social and Sport licences proposed in the letter to Camberwell (attached) but concerns about the costs.
- Concern about the apparent side lining of over 60 players. Is this an attempt to get more income from over 60's for less benefit?

5. Treasurers Report:

Due to the unavoidable absence of the Treasurer the report was presented by Ray Beaumont. The closing balance on 31/08/2010 was \$32087.09 It was noted that three cheques to a total of \$818.82 had not been presented and also that a number of clubs have not paid affiliation fees.

It was confirmed that the Treasurer would issue invoices in the few days following the meeting. When questioned, no one present at the meeting could clarify the detail of the \$668.00 paid to Dave Ward (Website a/c) The president who signed the cheque agreed to supply details.

Action Graham Clark

Brett Williams proposed and Tina Stockley seconded that the financial report be accepted and this was carried unanimously.

Port Noarlunga stated that the club was considering its position with respect to affiliation to the SA League in light of the decision to allow non licenced players to participate in league games. The main concern was that because the events were not sanctioned by PFA the personal accident portion of the PFA Insurance would not be available to its players. Brett Williams stated that the insurance policy held by Prospect Insured all those who played at the club and offered to send a copy to the Port Noarlunga president on the understanding that the Port Noarlunga club reconsider its position with respect to participation in the Interclub Round 2.

6. Umpires Report:

Nothing to report

7. Coaches Report:

The Secretary had received a message from Brenton Key (copy attached) which has been circulated to all clubs. Brenton is offering his services as State coach and also suggesting that due to the lack of time before the Interstate competition in November and previous difficulties in forming a selection panel that he be given sole responsibility for team selection.

The subject of selection caused a lot of discussion with club representatives favoring a more balanced selection process. It was recognised, however, that the urgency of the process called perhaps for a different approach.

A vote was taken on the proposal that Brenton Key is appointed as State Coach with sole selection responsibility for the State team playing in Sydney in November.

The result of the ballot was 4 for, 2 against and 1 abstention. The proposal was carried. The Secretary was asked to inform Brenton.

Action Stan Wilson

8. Tournament Director.

The president thanked Anthony Piestch for his work as Tournament director during round 1. In spite of the weather 18 teams competed and the day was considered a success by those who attended. There was discussion on the duties of the Tournament Director, Graham stated that he hoped that duties on the day could be shared as previously everything was left to one person and this approach was not acceptable.

It was agreed that the Tournament Director should prepare and manage the draw process during the event and that the host club should collect registration fees and provide a list of those who have registered to the Tournament Director. It was also clarified that the host club will nominate referees to assist on the day.

Some clubs had assumed that it was the tournament Director who had cancelled the planned State Singles Championships scheduled for the 25 August. It was made clear that the cancellation was decided by the SAPL President in consultation with other SAPL officers. Gawler requested that the event be rescheduled. Prospect stated that it wished to discuss the approach and composition of State Championships as a whole and requested that the Secretary include a separate item for this purpose in the Agenda of the next committee meeting.

Action Stan Wilson

Anthony Piestch asked if there is an agreed cut off point below which the committee considered a championship to be not viable. Graham suggested that 20 was an appropriate number for Singles. Prospect asked if there was a PFA regulation covering this point Ray confirmed that there are no regulations. He also considered that we should look at introducing tournaments over two days to avoid the problems we have encountered of events going on until late in the evening. These items will be discussed at the next meeting and club delegates should prepare for this.

The Interclub Round 3 is currently planned to be hosted by Port Noarlunga on the 17 October. This is problematic as PN are unwilling to participate in Interclub games with non licenced players involved.

It was decided to shift the State Triples Championships to Port Noarlunga on the 17 October and reschedule round 3. Tina Stockley was asked to work on the new dates.

Action Tina Stockley

9. AOB

- a. Glenis Head informed the meeting that she had heard that the State Lacrosse Association, faced with falling support had appointed a Marketing person with a view to getting more support for their activity. She proposed that SAPL consider a similar approach. The committee showed some interest but no decisions were taken on adopting this suggestion The item will be included in the Agenda for the next meeting
- b. The Secretary asked if anyone was familiar with the situation of the Australasian Masters Games. No one present had any details and it was suggested that Adrian Clements was the only person that knew the current status.
- c. Deb Rodda and Marcus Marende reported that Unley Council have renovated Orphanage Park, Mitchell Street Millswood and have included a petanque piste
 - Approximately 100 people are expected to be at the launch on Saturday September 18
 - The Eastern Suburbs Petanque Club will be undertaking a demonstration
 - SES will provide floodsafe information
 - Unley Rotary will provide a BBQ
 - Mayor Richard Thorne will open the playground and family areas at approximately 11.30am, with lunch to commence at 11.45am

It will generally be a relaxed day, allowing kids to enjoy the play areas, and parents to mingle.

Signed

President

Date:



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Secretary



Next meeting 7.00pm 21 October 2010 at Prospect.

Signed Min 9-9-10

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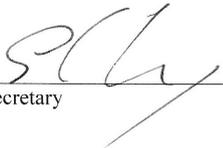
As we have a number of agreed actions which are still ongoing I thought that perhaps the committee members would find this sheet a useful addition to our minutes as an Aide memoire of those things we committed to do but have yet to action.

Ref	Date	Actionee	Description	Status
19	8 April	S Wilson	Prepare State Doubles entry sheet	Closed
20	8 April	S Wilson	Inform PFA of alternate arrangements	Closed
21	8 April	S Wilson	Write to FAB	Closed
22	8 April	All	Send calendar dates to Adrian	Closed
23	8 April	S Wilson	Incorporate comments into draft wherever possible	Ongoing
24	20 May	A Clements	Adelaide Club to write to PFA asking for a financial statement for 2009	Superceded
25	8 July	S Wilson	Write to clubs asking for an indication of interest in a year end dinner	Closed
26	8 July	S Wilson	Contact Sport SA for advice on Insurance policies	Open
27	8 July	S Wilson	Write to clubs with a proposition to be voted on at the next meeting	Closed
28	8 July	All	Review and comment on the Jean Phillippe Guiglielmi proposal	Closed
29	29 July	Stan Wilson	Investigate a State wide Insurance Policy	Open
30	29 July	All	Pay SAPL affiliation fee	Closed
31	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Write to Jean Phillippe expressing the result of consideration of his proposal.	Open
32	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Send a response to the PFA letter after circulating the draft to all clubs for comment	Open
33	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Inform Brenton Key of the committee decision	Open
34	9 Sept	Stan Wilson	Include discussion on State championships in the agenda of the next meeting	Open
35	9 Sept	Tina Stockley	Agree rescheduled dates for Interclub games caused by the change to the Triples	Open
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Appendix 1

Message from Brenton Key

This is a copy of the message received from Brenton and circulated to all clubs prior to the committee meeting held on the 9 September.



Secretary

Hi Stan

Unfortunately I am unable to attend Thursdays SAPL meeting.

I would like to ask you to put to the SAPL committee the following:

1 – To officially propose to endorse me as State Coach, vote on same and hopefully have it carried ☺

2 – As the interstate comp is rapidly approaching and previous years have failed to raise a selection committee,

I would require myself to be the sole selector for the interstate team

I would undertake this to the best of my abilities without prejudice to any player who would like to be considered

If these proposals are endorsed, I would further propose that training and selection would only be open to all PFA licensed players with Wednesday evenings as the defined training time.

Regards Brenton