Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Club de Petanque d'Adelaide Clubrooms Thursday 2 October 2014 starting at 7:00 pm

Present:

Adrian Clements President Anthony Pietsch Vice President & Committee AHPC

Stan Wilson Secretary John Wilson-Smith Treasurer

Tina Stockley Committee (CDPA) Alexi Alexi Committee (ESP)
Glenis Head Committee (Gawler) Alan Sanderson Committee (Prospect)

Ray Beaumont. Committee (Noarlunga)

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from Coonawara Pétanque Club, Annie Hambour, Deb Rodda, Phil

O'Reilly and Maitie Beaumont

The President declared the meeting open at 7:05pm.

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 10 July 2014 had previously been circulated to all members. Alexi Alexi proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record, John Wilson-Smith seconded. The vote accepting them was unanimous. The President and Secretary then signed and dated a copy of the minutes. A copy will be posted on the Website.

3. Actions Arising:

Action 138. The TD has not provided Tournament guidelines to the Web Master

Action Open

Action 139. The Secretary has, with the help of the TD issued the flyer for the State Triples.

Action Closed

4. Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer reported that Closing funds as of 2 October were \$3324.01 of which \$652.21 is held in the Junior fund. Recent transactions for State shirts were included. The Secretary, in conjunction with the President and Treasurer, had agreed with the supplier to purchase 20 shirts to get a better unit price. The Treasurer proposed that the report be accepted, this was seconded by Ray Beaumont and carried.

5. Umpire's Report.

An umpires report had been issued for Round 2. A copy had been sent to the Secretary who had forwarded a copy to the TD. The National Director of Umpires, who was at the meeting representing the Port Noarlunga Petanque Club, mentioned that there was a problem with the published scores on the SAPL website however this had been corrected and there was nothing to report regarding Round 2.

6. Coach's Report

Adrian Clements said that the Open and Over 60's teams for the ISC had been selected and have continued to train on Saturdays at ESP which it was thought most resemble the pistes at Weird Entertainers. He thanked all those that had presented for selection and participated in the squad training.

The coach also reported that James Wright had been posted to Adelaide by the army and was keen to play for the State. He had told James that the selection for this year's teams was completed but that he would be considered in future.

Alexi Alexi reported that James had been playing at ESP and had not lost any of his considerable skills.

7. Tournament Director's Report

Anthony Pietsch said that the State Triples Championships at Port Noarlunga Petanque Club had been poorly supported with only 10 teams competing. He proposed that in future all State Championships should be held at one of the more central clubs as people seemed reluctant to travel to the clubs in the outer metropolitan areas. This was seconded by John Wilson-Smith and carried. It was also suggested that when the calendar was drawn up thought should be given to selecting a time of year that would maximize the attendance.

The Interclub round 2 was held at Gawler with 18 teams participating again on the low side but at a level that is becoming the norm. He congratulated the Gawler Club on its new location and set of pistes.

8. PFA

8a Bastille Day Grant

John Wilson-Smith reported that he had been working on the signs but was looking for some suitable artwork to represent someone playing Pétanque. It was agreed that any club with access to suitable artwork should send a sample to John.

8b ISC

The Secretary asked the committee for approval to pay the ISC registration fee of \$100.00 per team, this was approved.

8c Letter from Joe Corcoran dated 6 September

The Secretary reported that on receipt of the letter he had sent an aggressive response to the acting PFA Secretary because he felt strongly that the wide circulation given to the letter accusing and threatening SA clubs showed a poor understanding of the way in which this type of matter should be handled. He realized that some clubs thought he had over reacted.

There was confusion that the letter sent by PFA on the 6 September was apparently inconsistent with the one sent on the 3 June. In particular Mr Corcoran had not identified which calendar he had analysed.

Allan Sanderson reported that the Prospect Club had spent some time analyzing the PFA Bye laws and that there seemed differences between paragraphs on the definitions of the various classes of tournament.

The Secretary said that the By-laws, which were last revised in November 2002, were widely recognized as a poor document and it seems that PFA are cherry picking among the various paragraphs, enforcing some and ignoring others.

The definition being used of an "Open" tournament is unclear, it seems that PFA is saying if members of another club are allowed to participate the event must be sanctioned by PFA which would appear to be absurd.

The position of the Coonawarra tournament was unclear although it is being presented as a promotional event. The Secretary had been in contact with PFA regarding the Dead Man's Pass event his club is organizing because the club is entirely dependent on PFA insurance. He reported that PFA had supported the event.

The President said that based on his experience in other sports if a club affiliates to a National body then all financial members of that club should be considered affiliated. The question of licences is treated apart from affiliation.

There was a proposal that in future SAPL should only publish a calendar showing SAPL information. This was seconded and carried. It was recognized however that the present form of our calendar gave much useful information to players who enjoyed playing in different groups.

The President thanked all the clubs for the efforts they had put into trying to understand PFA's difficulty with SA. He suggested that the various club management groups should respond to PFA. He also instructed the SAPL Secretary to write to PFA with a considered view from SAPL

Action Stan Wilson

9. AOB

There were no items under this heading.

The President closed the meeting at 20.06

Signed

President

Date 13/11/2014

Secretary

Next meeting: 7:00pm 13 November 2014 at Club de Pétanque d'Adelaide.

Minutes of the SAPL Committee Meeting held in Adelaide Clubrooms On Thursday 2 October 2014 Action Tracking Sheet

Ref	Date	Actionee	Description	Status
127	23 Jan 14	Stan Wilson	Write to the State Director of Umpiring	Closed
128	23 Jan 14	Stan Wilson	Research footwear rules	Closed
129	23 Jan 14	Anthony Pietsch	Confirm date changes between Round 5 and Derek Rowley	Closed
130	27 Mar 14	Stan Wilson	Write proposal to PFA	Closed
131	27 Mar 14	All	Consider the proposal to change score allotment when a team forfeits a game	Closed
132	27 Mar 14	All	Prepare 2014-2015 season dates	Closed
133	22 May 14	Ray Beaumont	Clarify forfeited game rules	Closed
134	22 May 14	Stan Wilson	Update By Laws	Closed
135	22 May 14	All	Provide comments on PFA Player Licence policy to the Secretary	Closed
136	10 July 14	John Wilson-Smith	Investigate the cost of all-weather signs	Closed
137	10 July 14	Stan Wilson	Ask PFA about support for Australian Masters Games	Closed
138	14 Aug 14	Anthony Pietsch	Supply Tournament guidelines to Dave Ward	Open
139	14 Aug 14	Stan Wilson	Publish flyer for State Triples	Closed
140	2 Oct 14	Stan Wilson	Write to PFA in response to its letter dated 6 September 2014	Open
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