

Shropshire Cricket Ltd

Minutes of a meeting of the Board held on 18th March 2024 @ 5pm

Wrekin College Cricket Pavilion

Participating: Adrian Collins (Chairman), Steve Reese, Sheila Dickie (Secretary), Dave White, Jennie Good, John Foster, Natasha Hird, Richard Twigg

1 Apologies: Joe Leach, Zeenat Kaji

2 Minutes of last meeting: Minutes for 19th February were accepted as correct records.

3 Matters arising: – There were no new matters arising.

4 Declarations of Interest:

Policy Document: Board Directors were asked to declare any outside interest that they may have that could affect the Boards work or interests. No new affiliations declared.

5. Safeguarding (JG)

- Policies and procedures review has been completed and will be available via our new website.
- ECB Safe Hands Policy has been adopted by SCB
- Listening to children and young people - The first set of feedback has been received by parents and carers and is being reviewed. Further feedback will be gathered mid-way and end of the programme. Positive feedback has been received so far.

6. Finance (AC)

- AC presented a copy of the Year end report which was ready to be sent to the auditors. JF requested more detail to some of the specific line items which AC was able to provide.

7. Performance Cricket - Boys (JF)

- KPIs format and detail ready for final review in April
- Details of Under 11, Under 12 and Under 13 Festivals have now been finalised. Budgets are being planned to break even.
- Revised format and remit of PCOG to be determined.
- Boys Winter Programme is in progress and well attended. Player feedback is being collated and mainly a positive response so far.

8. Performance Cricket – Girls (NH)

- KPIs format and detail still under review

- NH gave an update of the Girls Winter Programme. Parent survey results are currently being analysed.
- NH provided details of Summer Programmes and Festivals at Wrekin College and Malvern College.
- Revised format and remit of PCOG to be determined.

9. Recreational Cricket (DW)

- DW advised that 3 members of the SCCL Senior Executive have advised that they will be standing down in November 2024. Role of Treasurer has been resolved and other 2 roles to be open to proposals during the next month.
- County Pitch CPA's have begun visiting club sites and generally have been really warmly welcomed. Collecting data on facilities too. A Grounds workshop is being held on 19th March @ Allscott CC.
- DW Provided details of the 2024 Grants allocated so far.
- **Disability** - A new hub at Whittington CC is in the development stage with Schools in the area being contacted and sessions hopefully organised.
- DW Provided an explanation of the details of Super1s KPI reporting.
- **SEND** - We held our Table cricket Finals in January and saw a record attendance of 8 Teams and over 60 participants. Queensway N were the winners and will attend the regional finals next month at Edgbaston.

10. Women and Girls Recreational (ZK)

- No report as ZK on holiday but SR advised that the Women's Evening League Finals were held on 15th February.

11. Sales and Marketing (RT)

- New sponsorship brochure being produced, almost ready.
- Looking at options for new indoor site in Sundorne – We feel this is a great opportunity for the board. Both in terms of having a centre but also helping to generate additional income. The facility is located in an area of deprivation.
- Presentation Evening has been confirmed as the same venue as last year (Albright Hussey Hotel)
- Volunteer of the month will continue in April. Looking at sponsor for this as we wish to provide certificates and tickets at end of season Awards Dinner.

12. Schools and Community (JL)

- Programmes continue to be delivered ahead of schedule.
- Await Inspiring Generations 2.0 as well as the new CPA. Will help to guide strategy.
- Primary Schools – 35 Chance to Shine Schools – 18 of which are Youth Strategy (40% free school meals)
- Secondary Schools – High challenge area for the school’s team but delivery is still on schedule.

13. Operational Report (SR)

- ECB AGM has been organised for 14th May 2024 @ Sophia Gardens, Cardiff. AC and I will be attending.
- We have had a “similar counties” meeting recently where a number of subjects were discussed one being the continuing failure of ECB systems, to which we are going to bring together a working group to consolidate the concerns and deliver through the above route for feedback.
- SR has sat on the Board meeting of SCCC as they prepare themselves for the 2024 season, with us conveying the non-negotiable requirement of their management and players to have the EDI Workshop delivered. We have also got responsibility for their academy fixtures again this year.
- All staff one to one appraisal have been completed.

15. AOB – NIL

16. DONM – 20th May @ Wrekin College Pavilion

17. AGM – 29TH April in Wrekin Sports Hall Conference room.