

Shropshire Cricket Ltd

Minutes of a meeting of the Board held on 20th September 21 via internet (Zoom programme) at 5pm.

(The meeting was held in this manner due to the restriction placed on gatherings by the Government because of the Co-vid 19 Virus.)

Participating: Adrian Collins (Chairman), David Blofield, Trudie Bloor, Sacha Lee, David White, Richard Twigg, and Peter Mitchell.

In Attendance: Steve Reese (SCB)

Apologies: John Foster

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record.

Matters arising from previous meeting: None that are not dealt with in the Agenda.

Safeguarding: (Sacha Lee)

(See Report attached)

This has been a very busy time for all involved, but the effort rewarded by considerable progress and satisfaction, as all but 3 Clubs who failed to complete ,have benefitted from this work. Preparation for the next steps are awaited (Training & Certification for Coaches and Club members).

Further development of Training for Club personnel is planned.

(See Report attached)

Finance (DB)

(See Report attached)

Performance Cricket and County Club (AC)

(See Report attached)

The County Club had a successful season in a shortened fixture programme, winning 2 of their 4 matches. Plans for next year are already under consideration with particular emphasis on new Players from within the County.

There is to be a review of the Squad system including the views of Parents of Squad players.

Recreational Cricket: (DW)

(See Report attached)

The Co-Vid virus has been a considerable challenge that has been well met by the County League Management Team and their cooperation with the Board. Considerations by the Clubs for the next season are being given to Format e.g. such questions; the availability of players; and is the provision of Teas for the coming Season necessary?

The SCB is to have discussion with the Shrewsbury Evening League on “Safeguarding” and other games that are played outside the remit of the SCCL.

Schools: (SL)

(See Report attached)

Reviews of the whole system of working with or including more Schools is being carefully worked upon, with the question of what has been achieved, and can be further achieved, in the coming year. This is a substantial challenge but there is a good Team committed to this advancement.

W&G: (TB)

(See Report attached)

The U15 Team was the most successful in the 2021 Season, and plans are being made for the next Season for all Teams – with a new programme, the assistance and cooperation of Warwickshire is to be planned. (The Team’s work very well together).

Sales & Marketing (RT)

The Board’s Web-site continues to be of high quality and is much appreciated across the County and beyond with 15,000 contacts in the last month. A possible candidate for the role Sponsorship Officer is being explored with a possible candidate at this time.

Update (SR):

Operational activities, Staffing, new staff members are all being carefully studied to raise the efficiency of all operations. The Staff work very well together to cope with the pressures, and as the work of the Board expands these features must be retained.

A meeting with the Disability Cricket Officers is to be arranged to continue the progress that is being made, and a meeting with the County League for further developed is planned.

The Board Offices at Wrekin College are now in full use.

The Whittington Project, (the recovery of a former Cricket Ground), is being worked upon with some vigour.

Coaching Association Initiative (AC)

The Board are taking the lead in the re-organisation to restructure its future and development as soon as possible.

Annual Dinner Event

The event is to be held on Friday, 19th November 21

John McIntear: The Board was informed of John’s recent passing. John had been a valued member of the Shropshire Umpires Association, and who though confined to a Wheelchair had played a valuable part in the development of Disability Cricket. The Board Secretary has written to John’s

family with our condolences. The Chairman and Secretary will be attending John's Funeral on 7th October to represent the Board.

Date of next Board Meeting 15th Nov 21 at the Board Office at Wrekin College.

AOB: There being no further business the **Chairman** thanked all Directors and staff for their continuing excellent work and support.