

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive of Cornwall Cricket Board Ltd on Monday 11th September 2017, at Cornwall Cricket Centre, 6.00pm.

Present: S Menneer, C Leathley, M Mitchell, S Oakley, J Skinner, R Fine, T Lee, A Jones

Apologies: A George

1 Pitch Rejuvenation

Simon Johnson, new CCB Pitch Adviser, was present to outline plans and progress regarding the pitch rejuvenation initiative. He had met with a good number of club groundsmen, with a most favourable response. Most Premier League groundsmen were booked in for the forthcoming course. Deep aeration would take place in late September/October.

2 The Minutes of the July meeting were adopted and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising

SO had now been supplied with a copy of the full CSCA accounts.

3 Finance / Fund Raising

We now looked like being around £7k down on the year to 30 September. Holiday Camps had suffered a slump and there was an adjustment for C2S. The overall financial position through to next spring was not possible to accurately forecast at this stage.

4 Development

A discussion took place regarding the changing the role of the Cricket Development Officer to a Performance Development Officer for Chris Hunkin, who would naturally fit into this role. It would focus on the elite pathway, working with the CCCC, Development XI, EPP, Junior Academy and the County Youth. This is a greater strategic role to make sure the parts of the pathway work closely together. There would need to be some delivery of All Stars and Chance to Shine to make sure there was income to support. It was agreed that this change in role should go to the Board Meeting for approval, but the Executive were in agreement that it was a good move. The CDM was tasked with looking at what the role would cost the CCB before any decision could be taken.

'One to one' coaching was also discussed, with the thought that we should be making as much use of staff as possible and that the fee for CH's coaching should be higher. Another factor to be considered was availability at the Cricket Centre.

Action: MM / JS

AJ reported that CSCA had made the decision to run both an U13B and U12B team next season. The proposal to run more development-centred groups at U10, U11 and U13 Girls throughout the winter and early summer was also adopted at CSCA at last week's meeting.

JS reported on the recent CYCL Committee meeting, where it was decided to completely relaunch the organisation as the 'Cornwall Youth Cricket Association', with a number of new officials and a new purpose, to be partly determined through insight gathered at meetings with the clubs during October. The current CYCL was functioning at low efficiency and it was not known what types of competition club organisers really wanted.

5 CACG Funding Request A request for £600 towards administrative work was unanimously approved.

Action: SO

6 Cricket Centre

Equipment: MM explained the costings from 'Huck Nets' for replacement of the CCC equipment. Thankfully, even a full set of netting and canvas sheets would, with installation and VAT, only just surpass £6000. Though some of the netting was in poor condition and probably had only a short life remaining, it was thought that we should order only really necessary replacement items at this stage, then review the main netting annually. MM to suggest to Truro College the replacement (now) of one or two canvas batting screens, plus the back screen. Repairs to be done to netting as required.

Action: MM

Pricing Structure: An item brought by MM/JS and as a result of discussion in item 4, above, suggested a look at the current CCC prices. We should perhaps take into account bowling machine hire, though this was difficult to monitor accurately and could be a deterrent to long-standing individual net hirers, in particular. Members were also somewhat concerned with the timeliness of invoice payments, particularly where deposits were required. Some clubs / individuals had a poor record here, but payments were nearly always eventually received in full. MM to review prices and process.

Action: MM

Inspirational Material: JS was given approval to look into prices for a suitable set of photographs / posters for the Centre. RF to seek the opinion of Jane Cashmore (Truro College).

Action: JS/RF

7 County Partnership Agreement / 3-year Business Plan

The requirement from ECB to discuss the CP Agreement and to meet with them in October was discussed, alongside an idea from TL, whereby we might look to produce a 3-year overall target / 'wishlist' for CCB. It was agreed to present the CPA as the Strategic Discussion item for next week's Board Meeting. TL could then introduce the idea of the Business Plan to members and seek their suggestions.

8 Cricket Trust Colleagues were encouraged to sign up as members, if they had not already done so.

9 Any Other Business

AJ wondered whether anything could be done in discussion with the football authorities, regarding the fixture calendar, but it was reported that we had already tried without success.

Meeting closed 7.53pm.

Signed (CEO) Date