

LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

Minutes of the Board meeting of the held at Liverpool St Helens FC

Monday 4th July 2016

Present: Mr T, Fitzgerald in the Chair, Messrs, T.D. Stirk, J.T. Hughes, Mrs C.A. Baker, M.J. Worsley, J.S. Greenwood, K. Andrews, P. Deakin, M. Downs.

In attendance: Mr D. Southern.

Apologies: Messrs, D.N. Herriman, R.T.J. Briers, S.R. Blackburn, B.H. Stott.

RDO Report.

The quarterly report for Area 5 was distributed to the meeting.

D. Southern reported:-

1. Wythenshaw RUFC – Great work being done by Sam Simpson in conjunction with the academy school that has dropped soccer in place of rugby on the curriculum. Senior club looking to be formed as well as Women & Girls involvement.
2. World Rugby 20's tournament went better than hoped.
3. Next season professional staff will focus on adult retain and recruit.
4. PFR needs completing – DS & TF will meet to complete.
5. Structured season needs sending to education department at the RFU.
6. KA requested that DS take back a message to the professional staff that the work they did towards the U20s was phenomenal.

DS left the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the Board meeting held on Monday 6th June 2016, (previously circulated) were accepted and signed as a correct record.

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

RFU Report

KA circulated a written report:-

1. There had been no council meetings since the Lancashire AGM and the report from that meeting was valid.
2. Congratulations to the U20s for their IRB World Championship win which had been the best organised so far.
3. Congratulations to the Senior XV for the 3 – 0 series win in Australia.
4. TF recorded thanks to KA.

Finance & Funding Report

PD circulated the monthly management accounts and reported:-

1. The Financial year end had been reached.
2. May accounts looked good but there was already an expenditure of 35K in June, June is busy due to County Championship and end of season functions.
3. Accounts should be with the independent examiners within 4-6 weeks and there was no reason why we should not be able to present to the General Meeting in November.
4. JSG questions a large spends at the beginning of the year on the website, MD & PD to examine and explain.
5. KA thanked PD for producing monthly management accounts.

RDC Report

TF noted that a report had been circulated, the main points of which were:-

1. The Lancashire Royals would be launched in conjunction with the Army at Fulwood Barracks, Army are keen to be involved and new players may be recruited.
2. Coaching conference with Paul Arnold and Chris Briers will take place at Fylde on 6th August.
3. Lancashire Academy – Organisation on track with Chris Briers taking Lead Coach role. Coaching events have been arranged for July & August.
4. Thanks to Barker Family for their kind donation to the Youth Trust in memory of Clif.

Club and Community Rugby

MJW reported:-

1. A meeting was to be held on 15th August.
2. An invitation had been received to attend an Open Day at UClan, it was agreed to register.
3. Suggested a nominee for Director of Marketing. JSG commented that this was an important post that must be right and suggested an open forum discussion at the next board meeting when a more Directors were due to be present on not on holiday. – Agreed to defer.

Volunteering

CAB reported:-

1. Volunteer barbeque to be held at LSH on Saturday 11th July.
2. KA questioned if the Leadership Academy had been arranged, CAB to chase.

Cup and Competitions

MD confirmed Senior competition draws were on the website.

Governance

TDS reminded CAB that clubs would need notification of dispensation application.

Discipline

No report.

Unity Project

This item will be removed from the agenda for further meetings.

Correspondence.

There was no correspondence appertaining to the meeting.

New Members

The following membership applications were approved

Annual

Mrs Alison Stirk
Mr Patrick Umpleby
Mr Sean Treaddell

Life

Mrs Carol Baker
Miss Nicola Taylor

50:50 Draw

July

£53.70 = P Hanson
£8.95 = K & A Andrews
£8.95 = P E Hughes
£8.95 = G Spenglar
£8.95 = S Knowles

Date of next meeting:

Next Meeting: Monday 1st August 2016


Any other Business

CAB – had a positive meeting with Salee DPP and Safeguarding.

CAB – an offer of a lady to supply free sports massage to County squad as part of her course. TF will check, she must have current liability insurance.

JTH – All 3 U18s County games were away and would like to confirm a match v Cumbria on 16th Oct at Vale of Lune.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:57pm


_____ Chairman

Date 1-8-2016.