

LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

Minutes of the Board meeting held using Zoom on Monday 1st November 2021

Present: D. Clarke in the Chair, & Messrs K. Andrews, J.T. Hughes, P. Deakin, H.H. Hughes, C.A. Baker, M.J. Worsley, J.S. Greenwood, G.A. Burns, R.T.J. Briers, G.J. Morgan & M. Downs.

In Attendance : Messrs, B.H. Stott & A. Soutar.

Apologies:

Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the Board meeting held on Monday 4th October, (previously circulated) were accepted and signed per procuracionem by the Honorary Secretary as a correct record.

Matters arising.

J O’Ryan letter outstanding – MD

DC – Spoken to David Roberts who should be the recipient of the Player & Volunteer Retention due to the County Championship report.

Questions & Comments.

1. KA – David Roberts, Chairman of Community Game Board, David Roberts is putting a report together over 5 weeks looking at the return post pandemic of players and referees to the game.
2. DC – Club Champions video has been produced, are we able to add to Facebook and Twitter. PD – we need to see some results for our investment.
3. DC – After a recent meal with Steve Grainger the following morning AS had a discussion with him and he inferred that there may be some funding to put towards clubs own CRC’s. AS reiterated that Lancs had put forward a plan in the past for a similar project. A proposal is to be put together to place with Steve Grainger to see if we can gain this funding.

Disciplinary.

BHS provided a summary report of the season to date. (Appendix 1)

1. BHS – Highlighted concern over recent sending off, the nature of the offences and the number of Colts and Junior offenders.
2. HHH – proposed publicising the outcomes of the disciplinary cases more widely on social media.
3. It was noted that referee abuse was worse on a Sunday at Junior matches and was deterring people from refereeing. PD suggested a reason for the abuse, whilst no excuse, could be the standard of refereeing being low due to them being either coaches or parents. Would there be a way we could help them get qualifications.
4. MD suggested inviting the M & J Chairs from clubs to the cluster meetings to explain the consequences of their player and spectator behaviour and how it could effect Senior XV league points.
5. As decision was to run a social media campaign about respecting referees and match officials.

Correspondence.

None appertaining to this meeting.

New Members.

Life Membership – Malcolm Davies (Orrell) – Approved.

50:50 Draw

Nov 21	Value
S Knowles	£53.40
S Knowles	£8.90
CA Baker	£8.90
S Knowles	£8.90
T Alexander	£8.90

Date of next meeting.

Next Meeting: 6:30 pm on Monday 6th December 2021 using Zoom.

Any other business.

RTJB – What is the total raised from the IPF walk. PD was totalling and a donation would be made from the County. Apparently Jeff & Sally Blackett really enjoyed the walk.

PD – The FAGM will be at Preston on 24th November.

GJM – Clubs this season have to do a first aid provision risk assessment.

HHH – U18 trial at Myerscough. 127 plyers. 23 Forwards and 19 backs selected for the 2nd trial. Standard was not great. 26 different clubs and schools sent players.

MJW – West Park are good to host the Royals v Anti Assassins game on 27th December.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:05pm



pp Chairman Date 6th December 2021