

MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Held at the Wheatsheaf, Upton
On Monday 27th January 2014

MINUTES

Present: Laurie Williams (President), Ivor Jones (Vice Chairman), Russell Benstead (Treasurer), Veronica Nicholas (General Secretary), Dave Terry (Fixtures Secretary), Tony Collard, Lola Roberts (Divisional Secretaries)

Apologies: Were received from, Bryan Fitzpatrick (Chairman)

1. Chairman

Bryan is bright and cheerful and taking things easy for a while after having undergone a procedure to have stents inserted in his heart.

Matters Arising/Outstanding - from previous meeting:

- Item 2a (i) **Russell** to send letter regarding the bequest from Peter Powell - **DONE**
- Item 4b **VERONICA** - To send letter (thanking the Housing Trust for their generosity) to Keith Bartlett to send, with photograph of the team in their tops, to the Housing Trust. – **DONE**
 - **VERONICA** - To send the photograph to **RUSSELL** to put on ETTA 365 website.

2. Treasurer

- a) Stanney Table Tennis Centre - Officially known as “Ellesmere Port & Chester Table Tennis Centre”. Russell received notification, from Sport England last week that the centre is to receive a grant of £8013 for new equipment and coaching training. Whilst Russell has been quick to thank all those who helped put together the bid, the committee recognised the enormous contribution he himself has put into this enterprise. His main concern now is to ensure the money is used to best effect.

3. General Secretary

- a) Disputes
 - i. Division 1 - Semi-final of the 1st Division Cup between Pulford A and County Officers A
After lengthy discussion and consideration of the written accounts submitted by both teams involved the majority decision of the LMC is that the match is awarded to County Officers A team, thereby upholding Rule 19 which was breached.

- ii. Division 3 – League match between Saughall and Barrow E
After lengthy discussion and consideration of the facts the majority decision of the LMC is that the match is awarded to Barrow E team, thereby upholding Rule 19 which was breached.
 - iii. Pulford
 - After considering and discussing the points made by Dave Ash in his e-mails to Dave Terry the LMC has found there were no rules broken with regard to the transfer of Dave Bruce from Corus to Pulford which was approved by the committee prior to the disputed match.
 - The committee have checked the handicap and found it to be consistent with Dave Bruce's performance. (All handicaps have been based on matches played before Christmas.)
 - The score card from the match was found to be incorrect in respect of the doubles handicap for the Pulford player which was showing as zero when it should have shown 16. The margin of victory was therefore 37 points.
4. Fixtures Secretary
- a) Cup Draws – The draws took place for round two of the Sarle Williams and the ODEX handicap competitions and can be seen on the website.
 - b) Tournament – The 6th and the 13th April are the dates being considered and this year The Stanney Centre is a potential venue depending on cost.
5. Divisional Secretaries
6. AOB
- a) **Change of contact:
Division 3, Barrow F captain Russell Hunt: 01829 732816**
 - b) Veronica gave Dave the paperwork regarding the English League Competition
 - c) Veronica will be updating the rule book to contain all amendments/new rules that have been proposed and approved at the AGMs since 2010. It will be put on the website as soon as possible.
 - d) **Bryan Fitzpatrick has requested that he be informed when a match is in the fixtures book to be played at Barrow but is postponed. The cost of using the hall at Barrow is quite considerable and money is being wasted needlessly when teams do not play their matches.**
 - e) **DAVE** - to contact Phil Hough to inform him he has "played up" 4 times.
7. Date and Time of Next Meeting:
- Monday 24th February 2014
2.00pm – 4.0pm
At the Wheatsheaf, Upton