



NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(FOUNDED 1911)



Minutes of the Committee Meeting Held at Great Horwood CC on Tuesday 27th March 2018

Present: Mick McStraw (Chairman), Tony Skeggs (Secretary), Mrs. Brenda Sprules (Treasurer), Nick Aldren (Registration Secretary), Chris Ball (Fixture Secretary), John Fenner (Vice-Chairman), John Hedge (Referees Secretary), Dave McGwyre (Results Secretary), Marcellé Turner and Brian Stuchbury.

Apologies: Chris Hodges.

Chairman's Opening Address: Nothing to report.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on Tuesday 6th March 2018, as circulated, were approved and signed as a true record.

Matter's Arising:

- Chris Hodges was present at the meeting but had not been recorded.
- 2nd December 2017 - Stewkley MDR had not been received until the 11th December 2017. Rule 8B (2).
- Tattenhoe FC – They had been fined for the ineligible player, but it was not recorded that they would lose the points gained in the match. Nick to adjust on FT.
- Deanshanger FC – They had not been fined for non-payment of referee.

There were no other matters arising that would not be covered by the various Officers' reports.

Correspondence Received – Email unless stated.

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| • Milton Keynes RA – Advertising next meeting and asking for referees to attend. | Noted. |
| • Hanslope FC – Informing the league of works to the changing room from 9 th April. | See Fixtures. |
| • Stony Stratford FC – Offering to play their fixture against City Colts under lights. | See Fixtures. |
| • A.Halladay – Clarifying what referees can claim for cancelled matches. | Sec. Responded. |
| • Marsh Gibbon FC – Proposing a rule change relating to kick-off times. | Noted. |
| • Buckingham United – Suggestion to include pitch costs on annual application form. | Noted. |
| • Bletchley Park FC – Querying eligibility of a MK Wanderers player. | See Registrations. |
| • Clean Slate FC – New contact until the 9 th April – chairman@cguk.co.uk / (01908) 617496 | Noted. |
| • Benn Cass – Promoting a referee monitoring system “Pitchside Refs” | Noted. |
| • Steeple Claydon FC – Querying Failing to Submit Report Sheet. | Sec. Responded. |
| • Berks & Bucks FA – Change to the layout of the Standard Rules. | Noted. |
| • Marsh Gibbon FC – Querying player eligibility of Clean Slate team on the 24 March | See Registrations. |

Conduct Issues – None.

Registration's Secretary's Report

- Registration Irregularities - 2nd December Stewkley MDR arrived late on the 11 December. Fined as per rule.
- MK Wanderers FC player Duane Bhasin transferred from Old Bradwell but believed to have played for Old Bradwell United and has played in Division Two. After discussion it was **agreed** that MK Wanderers be fined as per rule and no further action would be taken.
- Clean Slate v Marsh Gibbon – 24 March. Clean Slate played four players who had played more than half of their games for the first team in Division Two of the South Midlands league. Whilst, this was against the spirit of the game, the rules (Rule 8(D), do not prevent clubs with first teams in higher leagues playing more than three players in their North Bucks team. It was decided that a rule change would be submitted to the AGM. It was requested that a registration check be carried out for the reverse fixture.

Transfers - None

Results Secretary's Report

- Match Report Sheets
All match report sheets had been received for the early part of the season, just now need to be input in to FT. There were some problems with FT when you try to log on as a user. The FA are aware of the problems.
- All semi-final squad lists are now being received.
- 17th March – Match Report Sheet not received – Silverstone. Fined £10.00.

Referee's Secretary's Report

- There were problems with this week's fixtures (31 March) as there were no referees allocated and one had been allocated twice. This was caused by the need to re-arrange fixtures due to the weather and referees not been carried forward to the new fixture. Chris B would allocate those referees indicated by John as soon as he could.
- Fines
- Match Report Sheets
- 10th March – No confirmation with opponents or referee – City Colts FC.
- 24th March - Substitutes as Assistants – Pottersbury Reserves.
- 24th March – Started Match with less than 11 players. – Hanslope FC v Brackley Sports FC.

- Sportsmanship
- 24th March – Silverstone Reserves v Buckingham United Reserves. Both sides marked 10/10 for sportsmanship.

The Referees Secretary, John Hedge, would not available between the 9th and 15th April.

Fixture's Secretary's Report:

- Thanks to:
- All teams that are going for double headers / switching venues and playing under lights. The League, particularly Chris Ball, do appreciate it.
- Hanslope FC – Hanslope Parish Council had given Hanslope Football Club notice that they would be starting improvement works to the changing accommodation from 9th April. All solutions were being considered around their remaining home games, from using a gazebo or switching venue. All affected clubs are being consulted.
- City Colts FC v Stony Stratford FC - Intermediate Div. Cup semi-final was played under lights at Stony Stratford on Thursday 22nd March.
- Cancelled Matches
- 17th March – Division Two - Bletchley Park Reserves v Yardley Gobion Reserves.
- Cancelled by Yardley Gobion Reserves due to a shortage of players. Game awarded to Bletchley Park Reserves and Yardley Gobion fined as per rule.
- 24th March – Division One - Stewkley Reserves v Bletchley Park.
- Cancelled by Stewkley Reserves due to a shortage of players. Game awarded to Bletchley Park and Stewkley fined as per rule.
- 24th March – Intermediate Division - Stony Stratford Town v Southcott Village RA.
- Cancelled by Southcott Village RA due to a shortage of players. Game awarded to Stony Stratford Town and Southcott Village RA fined as per rule.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

• Current Account	£ 2,745.79	Direct Payments	£ 317.00
• Premium Account	£ 10,211.59	Paid In	£ 226.00
• Cash / Cheques in Hand	£ 0.00	Expenditure	£ 160.00 See below for details

Expenditure:

• Payments to League Officers - Telephone	£85.00
• Payment to Buckingham Utd - Pitch Hire Costs	£75.00

Current Outstanding Fines: £50 fine as per rule 5(I). Payment Due By: 31st March

As At 27th March 2018 - £30.00

- Yardley Gobion FC	<u>£30.00</u>
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The following clubs still owe for player registrations up to the 30 September: City Colts £2.00 and Stony Stratford £3.00.

Player registrations from October to February would be sent out shortly, prompt payment will be required.

Clubs in Credit:

Great Horwood FC £2.50, Great Linford FC £1.00, Marsh Gibbon FC £15.00, Olney FC £2.00, Padbury Village FC £1.00, Potterspurty FC 50p, Steeple Claydon FC £85.00, Towcester Town FC £3.00, Willen FC £2.00 and Yardley Gobion FC £2.00.

Brenda raised the issue of the accounts financial year end, the rules state that it should be the 1st May. After discussion it was agreed to the leave the date to Brenda for this season but review the date in the close season.

Any Other Business:

- Finals:** These would be held at Roade FC and Stony Stratford FC. Chris B to try Brackley Town FC again. There were no dates scheduled at the moment, although finalists were known in a couple, so they could be scheduled.
- Committee:** Mick M asked the committee to let the secretary know by the next meeting whether they would be standing for election to the committee at the AGM.
- AGM Venue:** A venue was required for the AGM as Buckingham Athletic was not available. It needed to accommodate around 120 people. Again, the committee were to think of possibilities, they needed to be fairly central for the clubs. If any club has a facility that might be appropriate, please contact Tony S.
- Charitable Donations:** Donations had been made over the last 14 years. The amount of the donation was dependent on the surplus made at the finals.
- Insuring Trophies:** The trophies had not been valued since 2002. There was a discussion as to whether all trophies need valuing as the cost for the valuation was 2% of the valuation cost. It was decided that all trophies would be collected back in before the start of the season so they could be valued. Nick mentioned that the B&B had discussed presenting the winner with the trophy but then taking it back and giving replica trophies for the club to keep forever. Storage of the trophies could be an issue.
- 2018/19 Entry Forms:** Tony asked when these were normally sent out. It was decided that they would be issued before the end of April.
- Rule Changes:** It was suggested that the free week rule should be one week not two.
- Club Secretary Duties:** This needed to be raised at the AGM to remind secretaries that it is their job to confirm matches, communicate with the league and not the team managers.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Tattenhoe Reserves for reaching the B&B Saturday Junior Final on the 5th May. They would be playing FC Tradesman at Abingdon Town FC.

Date of Next Meetings:

The date of the next League Management Meeting would be as follows:

- Tuesday 24th April 2018 at Great Horwood Cricket Club

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.55 pm.

For and on Behalf of the Management Committee.

M.McStraw
Chairman

Appendix A ~ Fines to be Issued for Breaches of League Rules

As At: 29th March 2018

Response / Payment Required by: 19th April 2018

In accordance with Rule 5(D) the following Clubs / Players (through their respective Clubs) are charged with Breaches of League Rules. The following Clubs are required to respond within 7 days of receipt of this notification to reply to the charge as follows:

- (i) Accept the Charge;
- (ii) Accept the Charge and Submit a Case of Mitigation;
- (iii) Deny the Charge;
- (iv) Request to attend in person and put their case before the Management Committee;

Clubs MUST reply to each charge with one of the above options, not later than 7 days from issue of this notification. Failure to respond by this date will result in an additional charge for failing to deal with the business of the League in accordance with Rule 5 (H). Should you be in any doubt please contact the League.

Rule 8 (B) Failing to Correctly Register a Player

The following Clubs are fined as follows: £15.00.

Stewkley FC 2nd December 2017
MDR registration not returned within 2 days.

Rule 10 (D) Failing to Confirm Fixture with Match Official

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:

City Colts FC 10th March 2018

Rule 10 (F) (i) Failing to Fulfil Fixture

The following Clubs are fined £ 50.00:

Yardley Gobion Reserves FC (1st offence) 17th March 2018 v Bletchley Park Reserves FC
Southcott Village FA FC (1st offence) 17th March 2018 v Stony Stratford Town FC
Stewkley Reserves FC (1st offence) 24th March 2018 v Bletchley Park FC

Rule 10 (E) Commencing match with less than 11 players

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:

Brackley Sports FC 24th March 2018 v Hanslope FC

Rule 11 (A) Failing to Submit a Match Report Sheet

The following Clubs are fined as follows: £10.00.

Silverstone FC 17th March 2018

Rule 13 (C) Failing to Provide a Referees Assistant / Substitute as Assistant.

The following Clubs are fined as follows: £5.00.

Potterspurty FC 24th March 2018

Rule 13 (E) Failing to Pay Official.

The following Clubs are fined as follows: £20.00.

Deanshanger FC 27th January 2018