North of Scotland Cricket Association Minute of Meeting

Date: 3rd August 2021
 Location: Virtual meeting
 Chair: Nigel Gerrard (NG)

Present: C Farr (CF), N Gerrard (NicG), J Lean (JLean) J Lodge (JL), A Duncan (AD), M Ross (MR), J Corsie (JC), M Fox (MF), P Short (PS), C Blake (CB), M Davies (MD), R

Belli (RB)

Item		Action
	Welcome: NG welcomed everybody	
1	Apologies: Highland CC	
2	Minute of meeting held on 29th June 2021:	
	Following a spelling correction and confirmation that James Lean was responsible for some actions, not Jim Lodge, the minute was accepted as a true and accurate record.	
	Proposed: M Ross Seconded: C Blake	
3	Matters Arising	
	a. It has been confirmed by CSMOA that they can appoint qualified umpires to that umpire's affiliated club.	
	b. Cricket Stats is now fully up to date.	
4	Treasurer's Report	
	The Treasurer's report was circulated for information.	
	Incorrect date of 2022 still to be corrected to 2021.	MR
	Skye still to pay their subscriptions.	
	Munro reminded clubs that if they get a trophy engraved, they should keep the receipt for reimbursement.	
	The cost of a ticket to the annual dinner has been included in the subs paid by clubs this season. As it has already been agreed that there will not be an end of season dinner, there was a discussion about what to with this money. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. If anybody has any ideas, please share them.	
5	Update from Cricket Scotland / Regional Associations	
	a. No meetings have been held since the last meeting. The next regional meeting is due on 10 th August 2021.	
	b. Zoom meeting with Nic Wilson still to be organised.	СВ
7	2021 Season	
	a) It was good to note that a large number of games have been played so far this season in good weather.	

	b) CB stated that he has been impressed with the umpiring this season. MD concurred with this.	
	c) MD raised concern about there only being 5 teams playing on a Saturday. All agreed this needs to be addressed.	
	d) Forres Reserves currently have 3 weeks without a game.	
	e) James will look at spreading out cup games in the Senior League next season.	JLean
8	AOCB	
	a. Nigel raised the issue of having to pay for 2 umpires at some games and the financial impact that may have on clubs. There followed a discussion where some options were suggested such as:	
	 Open up the reserves league to umpires? 	
	 Reduced payment to each umpire if there are 2 umpires appointed? 	
	 Could Cricket Scotland or NoSCA subsidise in some way? 	
	 NoSCA used to receive £1000 towards umpire expenses. This was then given to ESCOA and the assumption is that it is now received by CSMOA. Munro will check when the financial year end is for CSMOA to possibly identify how much money has been paid out to umpires. 	
	It was agreed that the umpire payments will remain for this season but will be looked at again for next season.	
	b. It was confirmed that a player who is registered for Ross County but has not played for them in the cup, can play for Skye in the cup.	
	c. MD reported that the Nairn player who had been injured in a recent game at Forres was recovering well. MD thanked everybody for the concern showed by clubs.	
	d. Mike Fox informed the committee that Brian Haslam, a former Fochabers player and member of the NoSCA committee, had recently passed away. Mike went to the funeral and represented NoSCA. Nigel thanked Mike for this.	
9	Date and time of the next meeting: Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 31st August 2021 at 7.00pm.	