



SYDNEY MASTERS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (Inc)

**Minutes of General Meeting Held at North Ryde RSL Club & Via Zoom
Monday 17th August 2020**

Meeting Opened: 7:20pm.

1. Attendance:

i. At North Ryde RSL

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| David Alexander | President |
| Stephen Reilly | Deputy President |
| James Fordham | Director |
| Eddie Gallagher | Director Administration |

ii. Via Zoom

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| Rohan McCoy | Director Finance |
| Craig Millar | Director |

2. Apologies:

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| Robbie Sutton | Director |
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3. Conflicts of Interest:

Nil

4. Acceptance of Minutes

Moved: Steve Reilly **Seconded:** Dave Alexander **Carried**

5. Business arising from Minutes

Nil

6. Finances

Rohan has sent out invoices for the season. Approximately half the money owing has been paid.

The association has approximately ████████ in the bank. Some expenses still outstanding. Umpires still to be paid.

Jimmy has been covering the G-Suite invoices. These are to be forwarded onto Rohan to be reimbursed.

There are some aged receivables at plus 90 days. These need to be sorted out prior to semi finals.

If Covid 19 affects the length of the season and games are not played then provided SOPA refunds, which is a reasonable expectation, then teams will be refunded for games not played.

Clubs must have paid all invoices prior to the semi finals otherwise they will not be eligible to play.

Action: Jimmy to forward G-Suite invoices onto Rohan for payment.

Action: Rohan to chase aged receivables.

7. Business arising from Financial Report and 2020 Budget

NA – as above

8. I.T Report

- **Website Update.**

There are a few games outstanding that need to be closed out. Apart from these the website is up to date.

One club is still not filling in cards via the website.

The draw has to be sent out. Since the meeting and prior to the minutes being published the draw has been sent out and published on the website.

The board decided that the minutes will be published on the website.

Action: Simon to send an email out to all team coordinators reminding them that they need to use the web based system to fill out match cards. Post games all games need to be closed out by the two team coordinators and the umpires.

Action: Eddie to review the minutes and redact sensitive information.

9. General Business

- **Umpires**

Umpires are doing well. One new umpire has been picked. She has been doing weekends and is keen to start doing some Masters games.

- **COVID-19 / CSOs**

Pitch 2 is easy to manage with teams entering and exiting safely and abiding by social distancing. No CSO will be allocated to Pitch 2 games.

Olympic pitch is harder to manage. Teams are potentially mingling when heading through the dug outs to the flanks on either side of the dug outs. A CSO will still be utilized for Olympic Pitch. The CSO will ensure that teams do not enter the field or dug outs until the other teams have left the dugouts and ascended the stairs. The advice to teams is now that "Teams should not enter the stairwell, dug outs or field until the other teams have left." The success of the CSO managing this will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Action: Simon to send out a note to Team Coordinators to advise that when their team should not enter the dug out or field until the other team has left.
Action: Board to review the CSO process at the next meeting.

Games Not Played Due to Flu Like Symptoms

No other games have been forfeited due to Flu like symptoms.

Action: The Board will see if this number increases and review again at the next meeting.

Action: Dependent on the review at the next meeting the Board will advise on the “forfeited” game by Macarthur in Sydney Cup.

- **2020 Season Rules**

The rules will be added to the new 2020 website.

Steve has updated the rules (changes include: the requirement for players to be registered, the Goal keeper rule, & Judiciary procedures based on Sydney Hockey rules). The Board needs to agree to the rules and publish them on the website.

Action: Board to agree to the new rules and for them to be published on the website.

- **Player Registration**

It was noted that 38 players have registered through Hockey NSW and not through the association.

10. Competition Discussion.

- **Over 55s Competition:**

There was a general feeling that the current format can be improved. The board agreed to review the Over 55s competition prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Action: Board to review the Over 55s competition.

- **Player Dispensation:**

The question about whether players who have received dispensation in a previous season need to request dispensation for the next season was raised.

Action: Board to review this question at the next Board Meeting.

Meeting Closed: 8:52pm

Next Meeting: 7.00 pm Monday 21st September 2020
North Ryde RSL Club

27-41 Magdala Rd, North Ryde NSW 2113

Meetings: 3rd Monday of each month generally as below:

- 18 May
- Tuesday 23 June – normally would be 15 June (SHA effect Robbie and Rohan is this date as 08/06 Long Weekend + June has 5 Mondays)
- 20 July
- 17 August
- 21 September
- 19 October
- 16 November
- 7 December AGM