



## MINUTES – 24 March 2022

### Waikato Lacrosse Association – Executive Committee Meeting (WEC)

*Meeting commences at 19:50*

1. Attendance Register & Apologies  
**Present: Michael Smith (MS), Joelean Mayall (JM), Aksel Bech (AB), Joshua Muller (Josh -via Zoom), Neil Taylor (NT), Dean Forman (DF -via Zoom)**
2. Vox Pop (*Clubs and Players can raise any WLA matter WEC -5min allocated speaking rights at discretion of Chairperson*)
3. Confirmation of Minutes & Resolutions By Email  
**Prior Minutes adopted as true and accurate record. Moved Josh, JM seconded -passed.**
4. Matters Arising  
**No matters arising**
5. Correspondence IN
  - a) **Sport Waikato general update newsletters**Correspondence OUT
5. WLA Operations Committee (WOC) report and Matters Arising  
**DF gave update on U18 W unable to do usual trip to Australia as NZL received invited for just one W and one M team; they have decided to send a Development squad and have called for players to register direct.**  
**U18 W Nationals postponed to (probably) September; DF notes this is new Rep player cycle so existing selected squad members will miss out (so will have no tournament this year for these players). Some pressure as paid training fee, trained but never had tournament. NZL fee on top unpalatable.**  
**JM proposed a \$25 fee to cover coaches reimbursement only (DF supports), MS seconds. Passed.**  
**Trying to organise a Club-Hosted series of friendlies with Auckland.**  
**Senior Women's Nationals postponed to maybe April.**

**Ursula Johnson (UJ) joins (via Zoom)**

**NT reports progress with registering with Secondary School Sports organisation, booking fields at Tamahere. Asks to be set up to post to WLA FaceBook page (MM to arrange, Leon to assist when in place).**

**NT has question around loan gear (goalie gear etc). Agree we need to complete stocktake to understand what WLA has -then use as way for new schools to offer Lacrosse. MS notes good for schools to have some own gear to ensure they have “skin in the game” for gear. Can look at grants to build up more gear for this purpose.**

**HBHS have enough players for 2 teams -supposed to be 1 team per school but UJ notes intent has always been to get more players involved. Agreed to accept.**

**Discussion re: NZL proposed school fees. General feeling is unaffordable and will lower player numbers. The NZL fee (now set at \$45 per player for 2022) is NOT included in budget submitted to any of the schools nor to WSSSA in getting accredited. To be raised with NZL again; in event no agreement -WLA to consider leaving with WSSSA and not run under our auspices.**

**UJ to send 2020 budget to JM.**

**Josh discusses ORC -sending out feed-forward rules.**

**UJ -efforts focussed on getting more experienced umps to step up.**

**UJ and DF leave meeting.**

**6.President’s update – Michael Smith  
Circulated separately.**

**7.Chairperson’s update- Aksel Bech  
Further correspondence with NZL and zoom session coming up with all regions that might assist drive issues around the long awaited Strategic Plan and fees forward.**

**Moshe Malal (MM) joins meeting.**

**8.Treasurer’s update & Financial Report– Joelean Mayall**

**Approval for payments:**

**Reimburse Cliff Brown for \$278.27 -moved JM, seconded Josh. AB and MS abstain. Passed.**

**Reimburse Lucas and Kris as U18 coach/assistant coach \$150 each. Moved JM, second AB. Passed.**

**Reimburse 2020 U15 Volunteers (missed being paid earlier) at \$100 each for Lee Baker, Matt Gould and Aaron Parker. AB moves, MM seconds. Passed.**

**Reimburse Assessors from 2022 AB moves, MS seconds. MM withdraws from vote. Passed.**

**Fixed Asset register requires any item over \$1000 value to be noted. Currently Trailer is only such asset.**

**Agree normal process in future is a) appoint League Director then b) appoint coach/coaches then c) form team/wider training squad then d) appoint manager then e) complete budget, establish player fee and then f) treasurer is informed including player names and invoices. NB -intent is that a) through f) are all completed prior to first or second training.**

**U18 Men's Manager paid for drinks and team items from own money and unsure if she wants to be reimbursed. Has been contacted -does not want to be reimbursed.**

**JM has emailed Will Chisholm regarding Men's league.**

**All other matters covered in separately attached Treasurer's Report for this month.**

10. Other Board Member's update – Moshe Malal & Joshua Muller

**Deferred due to lateness of hour and most matters covered elsewhere.**

11. Other Business

- a) Club Hosting season summary from League Co-ordinator discussed. Good and well run season with lots of positive feedback from players and Clubs -acknowledgement that Clubs stepped, taking turns to host. Missing umpire shirts -turned up.
- b) MM discusses issue with coach and spectator conduct toward officials. To be reviewed as part of Lee's H&S review. May need additional official and player protection clauses and a possible "Sheriff" who can assist in need arises or blue lolly-pop ("suck it up") idea from rugby
- c) Alcohol policy at Senior tournaments; MS discussed with coaches and players and form view on approach (NB not WLA or NZL policy matter - but in player contracts: feel we should remove)
- d) AB to investigate trailer WOF and rego (none displayed on trailer but has number plate so must be registered). Get trailer padlock (AB to action)
- e) MM to get signwriting applied to trailer. Consider insurance for trailer at later date.
- f) **MM moves and AB seconds that items 13 A, B and C on Agenda were passed by email between meetings (appointment of Leon Green, Tara Vrensen and Neil Taylor). Passed.**

**Open Meeting closed at 21:38 -goes in to IN COMMITTEE**

**MS left meeting at 22:07**

**Meeting closed at 22:30**