

Minutes of the SEMLA GCM Monday 9th May 2016

Present:

Trevor Rogers	(TR)	President & Reading
John Maynard	(JM)	EVP, Disciplinary Chair & Purley
Peter Compton	(PC)	EVP & Spencer,
Peter Mundy	(PM)	Croydon & Centurions
Jon Cooper	(JC)	Fixture Secretary
Simon Peach	(SP)	South Referees Committee Chairman
Miles Whittle,	(MW)	Treasurer & Bath
Peter Rawsthorne	(PR)	NLC Representative,
Nik Roberts	(NR)	RDO,
Robert Gooch	(RG)	Milton Keynes
Mick Chennell	(MC)	Secretary & Croydon

1. Apologies for Absence.

Ray Wood Youth Chair, Jacqui Hicks Foxes. Tracy Woodall Pythons

2. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting.

Minutes accepted

3. Matters arising not included in the Agenda

Nil.

4. President's Report

Noted nil to report.

5. Treasurer's Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted the report.

Noted two clubs had not yet paid their subscriptions to SEMLA.

6. Secretary's Report.

Noted Nil to report

7. Youth Development Committee's Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted the report

Noted there would be three games days at Hillcroft.

Noted the outlook did not look good at Foxes.

Noted the Junior level in general did not look good.

Agreed that other winter sports were well organised with a raised profile whilst Junior lacrosse was not so well organised and had a lower profile

Agreed that for Juniors to succeed then clubs needed to be urged to have a Junior team

Noted the recommendation to concentrate on one small area so that Junior teams have local opposition.

8. University Liaison Report.

Noted that the University of Sussex was applying to join SEMLA next season.

9. South Manager Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted the report

Agreed the teams had done well in the BNCs.

10. Disciplinary and Complaints Panel Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted the report.

Agreed that SEMLA needed a facility to easily check whether clubs and/or players were registered on the ELA database.

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11. Referee Secretary Report.

Noted that had been good referee coverage at the Sixes and Flags Finals.

Noted the possibility of a Level 2 referee exam at the Blues Fest

Noted there was an ELA R&R meeting Thursday.

Noted the ELA R&R were organising contributions for the referees going to Canada and Budapest.

Noted the recommendation of bulk buying, say, six referee courses over one year which should reduce the costs.

12. Fixture Secretary Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted the report.

Agreed the proposal to open up the Senior Flags to East 1 and West 1 clubs who wish to enter. JC to send the details to MC for distribution. (*Secretary's note: completed.*)

Noted that any club with requests for next season such as:-

“We have 2 teams and only 1 pitch;

Having both teams at home on the same dates to save pitch hire costs;

Our term dates are x to y”

must inform the Fixture Secretary by 31st May.

Noted that the West 1 & 2 divisions run as a ladder next season.

13. RDO Report

Noted the RDO had been interviewing for LDOs & SDOs, as well as attending the Universities Roadshows.

Noted the need for persons to be responsible for organising their local schools etc.

Noted the current visas for USA LDOs expire on 29th May 2016.

Noted with the Registration process on the new ELA database was progressing with Club Secretaries being coached on how to register. E-mails for club members to register were imminent.

Noted that communications regarding being a UK LDO had been sent to EU members.

Noted that Cheltenham and Gloucester might apply for SEMLA membership for next season.

14. NLC Liaison Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted the report

Noted the “Discipline Process” mentioned in the report would need to be incorporated into the SEMLA Byelaws at the AGM.

15. Any Other Business.

Noted the shelters had been very useful at the Sixes and the BNCs.

Noted the offer from Ray Wood to assist in clubs obtaining Brewery Sponsorship. Ray requested clubs send him the details of their club's bar managers etc.

16. Date and Time of Next Meetings: 7pm, Monday
6th June 2016 AGM. Venue to be announced.

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