



Norwich Iceni Baseball Club

Minutes of Meeting #3 of the 2024 Board Officials 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024 20:00 Online

## **Board Officials Present**

Tom Thornhill – Chairman (TT) Abi Ulrych – Queens Team Manager (AE) Liz Overland – Marketing and Communication Officer & Secretary (LO) Jim Hudson – Grounds Officer (JH) Shane Ward – Social Secretary (SW) Sim Ralph – Warriors Team Manager (SR) James Casey – Treasurer & Iceni Team Manager (JC) Joe Steward – Norfolk Baseball League Commissioner (JS)

**Guest Present** 

None

Apologies for absence Joe Steward – Norfolk Baseball League Commissioner (JS) Brad Mclean - Vice Chairman (BM)

Minutes Written by Tom Thornhill – Chairman (TT)

Approved by the Board on Meeting #5 - 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024



<u>NO.</u>	Topic & Decisions
	- Meeting Commences at 8:30pm -
3.1	Chair's Welcome, Introductions and Apologies
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	TT welcomed the attendees to the meeting
	Apologies received from JS & BM
3.2	Declarations of Interest
	No other declarations were made.
3.3	Approval of Meeting Minutes
	No minutes approved in this meeting, postponed to next meeting for approval
3.4	Ratification of Offline Votes
3.4	Ratification of Online votes
	No offline votes required ratifying.
3.5	Review of Previous meeting
	2.7.1 Finalise Membership Payment Review
	Action: TT to propose letter to go to the BBF requesting additional clarification on what is included in the £25 IPR fee. (Action Completed)
	Action: JC to amend the 2023/2024 budget to show change in membership fee. (Action Completed)
	Action: JC to amend spond sign up forms and club forms to compensate for the new fee. (Action
	Completed)
	2.8.1 Proposed Dates
	Action: JC to set up Spond event for the first winter training of the 2024 season. (Action Completed)
	2.8.2 Beginner Sessions
	Action: LO to enquire with her schools over available indoor space to host indoor beginner sessions.
	(Action Completed)
	2.9 BSUK Coaching Summit
	Action: JS to continue to ask the Local League Captains if they could attend the 2024 Coaching summit.
	(Action Completed)
	2.11 Youth Set Up
	Action: TT & BM to create Youth plan and propose a visionary plan for the club. (Ongoing)



	<ul> <li>2.13.1 AOB – JS Local League</li> <li>Action: JS to confirm if UEA would want to participate in the 2024 Local League (Action Completed)</li> <li>Action: JS to redraft the Local League schedule to play less in March and to utilise Colney as required.</li> <li>(Action Completed)</li> </ul>
	Action: JS to redraft the Local League Schedule to not include Tuesdays. (Action Completed)
3.6	Finance Report
	The Board reviewed the latest spend since the beginning of the finance year.
3.7	Safeguarding Training Overview
	SR, LO & SW shared feedback with the board after attending the safeguarding training for youth and young players.
	Action: SR to review safeguarding procedures for review.
3.8	Coaching Summit Overview
	SW, AU & JS shared feedback about the coaching summit and will be sharing coaching materials and drills once received from the BSUK.
3.9	Queens Vision and Plan
	AU outlined to the Board her plan for Queens Baseball. Here were the key objectives discussed:
	<ul> <li>Increase our women players numbers.</li> <li>Retaining women players.</li> </ul>
	- To have women's only training.
3.10	BBF Q&A Registration and Follow up
	BBF Q and A registration - Written up notes from AU were uploaded to the Google drive.
3.11	BBF Women's League
	Joe from BBF to confirm further details regarding plans for a women's BBF East of England team. To eventually compete in the women's league. Further updates to be conveyed at the next board meeting.
	Action: TT and AU to follow up with BBF regarding Queens Registration.
	JH left the meeting.



3.12	Beginners First Session - 25th March - Confirmed
	LO confirmed to the Board that posters made and will be distributed throughout February, already received messages and enquiries on socials and confirmation of some people intending on attending the beginner's session already.
3.13	Local League 2024
	JS confirmed that updates to be received in the next board meeting, pulling support from the other team members from Kingfishers since the previous captain is unavailable to captain for the 2024 season.
3.14	Kingfishers Captain Update
	The Board agreed to appoint SW as the new Kingfishers captain, pulling support from the other team members from Kingfishers since the previous captain is unavailable to captain for the 2024 season.
3.15	Grounds update
	JC still following up the grounds with JH.
	Action: JC to order new lot of all-weather baseballs Action: JC to get in touch with Blue Sox regarding using Colney
3.16	Current Club Numbers
	The board reviewed the current club numbers into the new Spond group.
	<b>Action:</b> TT to look into current club numbers and follow up regarding players signing up from last year, however still quite early yet.
3.17	AOB
	No AOB
	- Meeting Ends at 10:00pm -

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