# CHELTENHAM ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 27th February 2019 at The Victory Club commencing at 7pm.

Attendees: N.Oram, J.Hunt, I.Smith, G.Cook, D.Pardoe, T.Onions, S.Henley, T.Holmes, B.Hill, I.Hamilton.

Apologies: I. Swales, A.Wakefield, D.Johnson, P.Tustain.

1. **Actions Arising:**

 Minutes from Charities and Futures Sub-Committee Accepted.

IH resent notice of postponement procedure to clubs.

1. **Fixtures Secretary**

JH reports fixtures going very well.

New Fixtures Secretary required for next year, this has been socialised in several places.

If we do not have a Fixtures Secretary then a motion will be put forward to disband the league at the AGM as the League cannot function without one.!!

Senior Charity Final now booked for a 7pm kick-off at Cheltenham Town FC on Thursday 9th May.

1. **Results Secretary**

BH reported that results generally being reported ok with a few errors.

BH reported that on some of the team-sheets he has received some of substitutes have not been numbered. Action on BH to email all clubs to mark the substitutes numbers or they will be fined for incorrect team-sheets.

BH also reported that the Local Answer under Sports Editor Roger Jackson were doing a great job in regards to reporting our results, matches and general announcements. Action on BH to email all clubs to contact Roger Jackson for match reports and any publicity they require. The Local answer appear to have taken over from the Echo/Gloucestershire Live in reporting the Cheltenham League.

DP has already publicised the Local Answer on the Facebook account and has been thanked by the Local Answer.

1. **Registration Secretary**

Phil sent his apologises for this meeting and had nothing to report.

1. **Referees Secretary**

Ian Swales sent his apologies.

 Still have to interview potential Referees Secretary candidates.

Decision made to do this during either the Minor Final on the 21st March or the Junior Final on the 28th March. Both at Bishops Cleeve FC.

1. **Disciplinary Secretary**

 *As per charge sheet*

1. **Treasurer**

ISm raised a query about invoicing which was answered. He also reported we are still chasing Bristol Street for sponsorship monies.

ISm will also arrange for a new auditor for the end of season account audit.

Donation in regards to the player who recently passed away at Welland discussed. Action on IH to contact Welland Secretary to see how best this is achieved.

1. **GFA**

IH attended the council meeting on Thursday 21st Feb.

The following is worthy of note:

Lease issue still being looked at in regarding Bishops Cleeve FC and the 4G pitch project. (A slow process, but progress thought to be made!)

No change to mileage for next season, so still 0.36p per mile.

GFA still in great shape finance wise – solid profit of around £70,000 this season with discipline brining in £107,000. Savings of over £1million with some hopefully earmarked for the Bishops Cleeve 4G.

The threatened assaults on our referees raised. Roy Schafer and Roger Burden said they will look into it, especially as one of the players is back playing awaiting further sanction from the FA.

1. **Any Other Business**

Email received from John Green (GSNL) stating he no applications from the CAFL for promotion. JH stated that he had raised it with the Bishops Cleeve FC General Secretary, but he had not heard if he got the application in by the deadline. (John Green subsequently reported that they had received an application from Andoversford)

SH reported that he attended a Referees forum in his role with Dowty Dynamos. He said it was a very positive experience with lots covered from:

Referees turning up on time, Dog mess on the pitch, Team-Sheets, Language. He encouraged more of this in the future.

SH reported that FC Lakeside had signed a 25 year lease on Coldpool Lane which is great news for their future.

DP reported that Total Football had just released their report with one of the headlines “Grassroots football dead in 10 year!”. There were 19,000 fewer clubs since 2014. Dan will post this report out on social media.

GC reported that he had been told an ex League Referee (John Slatter) sadly passed away on Christmas Day. This was the first the Committee had heard of this. Action on BH to contact Roger Jackson and/or Jon Palmer to find out if they have more information and report back at the next meeting.

JH reported a discussion with the GNSL in regards to a fixture rearranged at Winchcombe 4G at the same time as a pre-booked CAFL game. NO reported that this was down to the club and not the GNSL.

Full program of Finals as detailed:

Minor Charities Final at Bishops Cleeve FC on Thursday 21st March with a 7pm Kickoff

Malvern Vale v FC Lakeside Reserves

Junior Charities Final at Bishops Cleeve FC on Thursday 28th March with a 7pm Kickoff

 Andoversford v Bishops Cleeve

Senior Charities Final at Cheltenham Town FC on Thursday 9th May with a 7pm Kickoff. Teams to be advised as competition still in progress.

Trophy Finals at All Saints on Saturday 16th March kicking off at 2pm and 4pm.

Dowty Dynamos Reserves v Prestbury Rovers Reserves – 2pm

Brockworth Albion Reserves v AFC Renegades – 4pm.

1. **Date of next meeting –**

**League Management – Wednesday March 27th, 2019 at 7pm.**

Draw for the next round of the Senior Charities Cup will take place at this meeting**.**