**CAFL League Management Meeting Minutes – held on Wednesday 23rd February at 7.00pm via Microsoft Teams**

**Attendees – JH, BH (In the Chair), TH, IH, SH, Ism, PT, TO, DJ**

**Apologies – I.Sw., DP, AG, MP.**

**AWOL – NO**

**Actions from last meeting:**

IH to contact Macron in regards to medals and trophies.

JH ton contact CBC in regards to problems with changing rooms being closed for several of our clubs home venues.

IH to send survey to Committee members on holding face to face meetings back at the Victory Club or continue with online meetings.

1. New rule proposals –

Committee meeting attendance – proposal for a percentage of meetings to be attended during the year. (Members must attend at least 3 or 4 out of 12) This is only for the management committee members, not President and Vice-President (who are non voting members).

Awarding games – 20E. Take the wording points from out. Award the match in question to the opponent.

Ask permission to play all high level players and a date for the request to be in by – at least 48 hours. Needs to be in League and Cup rules.

1. Treasurer

Chase Macron for trophy invoices and PT for registration data.

Appeal fee received from Whaddon.

Awaiting dates for Semi-Final games.

Awaiting sponsorship settlement.

1. Fixtures – JH

Worcester Royals withdrawal formally accepted and points to be expunged. (Action JH)

Fixtures are ok, disappointed for teams in D1 North and South due to lack of games due to so many teams dropping out.

Division 2 is ok.

Division 3 Some teams at saturation point, and we cannot afford to have many games called off.

Whaddon United Appeal will be held on Friday 25/2/2022.

Current Composing dates for Charities Semi finals.

If clubs are having issues with grounds to stage games, then there can be an agreement between clubs to switch their grounds and share costs as appropriate. Reverse a fixture or seek friendlies. (These will be under GFA jurisdiction/on fulltime as per normal)

1. Results – BH

Incorrect text for some postponed games, Ben sent out an email, Club should take note of correct protocol for what information on a text message for a postponed game. **All Secretaries to note.**

1. Registrations – PT

Not so many coming in now. Deadline for transfers is 31st March. No deadlines for signings. 1905 registrations.

1. Referees – MP

MP sends his apologies but offers the following report:

- Coverage currently 94.63% and that has been a struggle with postponements helping boolster the percentage.

- 5 games not covered this weekend

- Next month's appointments will be completed on the weekend.

- Disappointingly another report from a referee last weekend about poor discipline from clubs. Both clubs will be contacted in due course.

 In relation to poor discipline, Gloucester Athletic were contacted following poor discipline from one player. They have held an EGM and put procedures in place to stop it happening and if it does the club  have listed possible sanctions to take. Civil Service have also done this earlier in the season.

- In relation to clubs asking for referees to do friendlies. Absolutely no issues in asking but league/cup games will always take precedence and I will also support Northern Senior/Stroud/North Glos on competitive fixtures before offering friendlies. So no issue in asking but highly unlikely to get someone.

1. Club liaison

Nothing new from me with little contact from clubs other than whaddon looking for games

I did note St. Paul’s sharing on social media they are back next year , along with Montpellier looking to recruit a reserves manager and my own team able to confirm we will be applying for a seconds

If ok with everyone I will start to promote on face book the application for new teams ?

1. Discipline and Rule Offences – TH

 See attached.

1. AOB

New team enquires:

Shurdington Reserves, Welland 3rds, FC Wickhamford, St. Pauls (from DP). Another 1 from Worcester/Evesham way as well.

Affiliation fees going to be raised from £44 to £60 by the GFA for next season and then they are looking to charge affiliation fee per team from the season after. This was deemed unacceptable by the Committee especially when the GFA are sitting with nearly £1 Million in reserve. **Action on IH to email the GFA with the displeasure of the decision by the board without any consultation. Action on IH to set up meetings with other Northern GFA leagues to consider joint action against this.**

Whaddon United – Appeal to be held Friday at 18:45.

**Date of next meeting is Wednesday March 30th 2022 at 1900.**