

MKINL Committee Meeting

Thursday 30th July 2015 at 7.30pm

Present: Audrey Castle, Umpiring
Emma Banfield, Affiliations
Sara Parsons, Results
Lynne Foster-Jones, Treasurer
Lesley Hales, PR
Emily Winship, Minutes Secretary
Jennifer Payne, Chair
Katrina Hird, Vice Chair

Apologies: Jane Halsey, Secretary
Tina Irvine, Duty

1. Minutes

New email addresses are as follows. mkinlresults@gmail.com
mkinlaffiliations@gmail.com mkinlduty@gmail.com

The committee voted as to whether Schuco would be allowed to continue in another MKINL season without a qualified umpire, 3 members voted no, 4 voted yes and 1 abstained, therefore, Schuco will be allowed to play in the 2015-2016 MKINL without a qualified umpire. JH will email Schuco to confirm the decision and to ensure that Schuco understand that they will not be able to enter 2016-2017 season without a qualified umpire as per MKINL rules.

MKINL would like to remind members that, as an organisation, it does everything possible to encourage netball and not to withdraw it.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved.

2. Treasury

LFJ confirmed that all venues are now booked. Duty sheets have been ordered at no cost to the league as p&mm have agreed company sponsorship. The committee would like to thank p&mm for their kindness.

LFJ confirmed that the Nat West had changed our treasury account to a business account; this is why MKINL were receiving so many bank charges. LFJ shall make a complaint and if successful all charges from 2012 onwards could be refunded.

The committee unanimously agreed to remove Claire Cheah from the MKINL bank mandate as she is longer on the committee.

The committee unanimously agreed to add Lynne Foster-Jones to the MKINL bank mandate as she is the new treasurer for MKINL.

The committee unanimously agreed that the Chair, Treasurer and one other committee member (chosen by the Chair) should be the bank signatories.

LFJ has looked into the possibility of a new account with Lloyds. This would be an account with no charges and internet banking. The committee agreed that this was a good idea and would make life easier for MKINL members.

LFJ will put together a spreadsheet with bank account details; balance etc once the accounts have been approved. KH confirmed that she should receive them back from the Accountant on Monday.

The committee discussed why we pay for venues in advance and that it would be more appropriate to pay monthly as income is not paid in advance. This is to be reviewed next season.

SP confirmed that the Trophies for the 2014-2015 season cost £138.98, this included engraving and the cost of two new trophies due to damage.

3. Summer League

MK Storm and Amber Jets were the winners of the summer league. The committee decided to award each team with a pump and match ball as prizes. These will be presented at the committee meeting to be held on 20th August 2015. EW to purchase pumps and balls (size5).

4. MKINL 2015-2016 Season

The MKINL Season will begin on Tuesday 8th September 2015.

An Umpiring/AENA Rules Forum is to be provisionally arranged for 5th January 2016.

Score sheets are to be organised by EB (Rachel).

New teams for the season are: VWFS – division 3; Chelbridge Spitfires – division 3; nu Aztecs – division 1; Lightning – division3.

MKINL wish to promote more netball within the MK area and have decided to look into opportunities for “under age” squads running alongside the usual league; members will hear more about this later. In the mean time, and, as a means of promoting this idea, MKINL invited Netters Ice and Netters Hurricanes, U14s teams, to be assessed - this has taken place. The committee voted upon their entry to the league subject to confirmation that they have ALL been talent identified by County / Region / EN and that acceptable written proof is received within the given time frame. 5 committee members voted yes to entry, 2 members voted no. The committee then voted on whether they would be allowed to enter

2 teams or 1, given the U14 age group, 4 members voted for 1 team only, 2 members voted for 2 teams and 1 member abstained. Therefore Netters will be able to enter one U14 EN talent identified squad subject to standard rules and other caveats. The committee unanimously agreed that they shall enter at division 2 further to their assessment.

This offer does not constitute a precedent.

46 teams are entering MKINL 2015-2016 Season. The divisions will be made up as follows:

Prem = 11 teams

Div 1 = 12 teams

Div 2 = 12 teams

Div 3 = 11 teams

Teams will be emailed confirmation of their division.

JP will contact the teams who have been assessed and inform them of decisions made by the committee.

Supplementary information for the duty boxes i.e. MKINL Rules, will be emailed to JP in the first instance. Then all forms will be emailed to all on the committee.

5. Affiliations

Mynet opens on Monday, EB will email JH when open, JH will then email teams with a notification and reminder of affiliation deadline.

6. Umpiring

AC is in the process of finalising the umpire list and checking umpires she is unsure of.

AC would like to assess all C Award umpires during the coming season. AC confirmed that Caroline Oram is available help with assessments.

AC would also like to organise a list of teams / clubs who are happy for umpires/trainee umpires to attend their training sessions for practice/experience.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 20th August 2015