



WPS NETBALL CLUB
(Registered as Willoughby Public School P&C Sports Club)

AGENDA
Wed, 12 August 2020
Via Zoom 7pm

PRESENT: Bec Muir, Zoi Barber, Emma McGoldrick, Saskia Kirson, Mel Fisher, Brett Hunter, Kathryn Scott-McKenzie, Lisa Partridge

APOLOGIES: Linda Shaw, Rebecca Taumalolo, Caroline Vickery, Gabrielle Brewer

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (May 2020):

Moved: Emma M. Seconded: Saskia K.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (emailed and submitted)

Presented Emma McGoldrick. Moved Zoi B. Seconded Bec M.

Healthy financial position, but major expenses not yet paid including court fees and players registrations to NSNA & NNSW. There is still some uncertainty about what NNSW will charge for this season and if they will honor their previously mentioned reduction. Currently there is no plan to offer refunds and none have been requested. Players who withdrew received a full refund.

The Club also applied for and received a \$1000 state government grant which assisted to pay for all the sanitizing equipment vital to participate in sport this season.

CONVENORS' REPORT

(Incorporating Business Arising from previous meeting, General & New Business)

- A big Thanks You: Zoi thanked all our volunteers, especially Managers and ground duty helpers. It was acknowledged that requirements of managers this year, in team communications alone was vastly larger than other years. Our grounds duty volunteers provided some excellent feedback for the NSNA grounds committee to assist with duty going forward, especially if restrictions continue for an extended period. Mel to pass on to NSNA.
- First half season of 8-week season: dominated by Covid procedures and again a huge task for managers to roster parents to view games so as to comply team limits, organize car-pooling etc. A number of managers/coaches explained the measures in place to keep parents (not able to attend) informed by score updates on their team app and match reports.
- For the Club Committee it has also been a huge and ongoing juggle.
- Netball team results are mixed, but over half are sitting mid ladder or top half. Most importantly we are so fortunate to have all been able to play.
- Our NSG teams have taken to the court with great enthusiasm. A number of parents attended the NSG coaching and umpiring courses, which was really worthwhile for those participants.
- School Court & training: it was explained that this was by far the biggest challenge of the season and highlighted the lack of sporting resources (courts) for girls' sport. It was a 'double whammy' of Covid visitor restrictions at school and incomplete, yet new netball resources at WPS, once visitors were permitted to return. However, the Club was able to find weekend courts at WLC for most teams to train on pre-season and also leveraged Club Willoughby for NSG.
- Court surface dangers were repaired and the Netball Club funded and arranged 5 new netball and NSG hoops to be welded to the posts at school. In addition, the Netball Club is investigating and proposing to

fund new line markings for a half netball court in the new undercover area. Proposal to be presented to WPS ASAP.

- Equipment & Kits: a big thanks to Jenni Brown and P&C for purchasing 20 new netballs from Rebel points, as well as new whistles for our NSG umpires, which were required due to Covid protocols. All teams will be contacted for a 'sanitization restock' for the remainder of the season. It was mentioned that new branded WPSNC netballs would now be arranged for 2021.
- Uniforms: there was significant trade in 2nd hand uniforms which was great and thanks was expressed to the uniform shop who helped players with new uniforms despite being closed.
- Umpiring program: due to the spectator restrictions at all netball games it was explained that the Year 6 umpire mentoring program had been significantly restricted as 1 on 1 mentoring needed for brand new umpires was not possible. All new umpires have now experienced at least one game, and the Umpires Convenor will now make a decision on which 2 – 3 umpires will be able to continue for the final 3 weeks. It is hoped that if a Twilight competition is run, that some additional opportunities may be possible for new umpires.
- Club communications: this is mainly done using Facebook, Instagram and email; however, it was discussed that the school newsletter was an important tool. At a subsequent time, it was established that the school newsletter was now weekly and the deadline was Thursday each week. This came as great news to the club.
- Team photos: based on the fact that school photos were taking place, Mel inquired as to the possibility of netball team photos, as a nice memento for the girls, of this crazy Covid season. At a subsequent time, this was approved and Kirsten Delaney Photography has again been commissioned to do this for the Club.
- Medals, Year 6 gifts & Presentation Day: it was agreed by those present that a Club Presentation Day was not possible for 2020, even if it met the Covid restrictions it was not a 'good look'. It was however agreed that medals would be provided for all players, as well as gifts for Year 6 players and something significant for managers. These can all be presented on a team by team basis, in line with current Covid gathering guidelines.
- Zoi Barber was again asked to prepare the Year 6 gifts and she also offered to arrange the medals. Committee to discuss and agree other gifts offline.
- Twilight Comp: Mel advised that the Term 4 Twilight Comp was likely to proceed in a reduced format. It was agreed that due to the nature of this year the Club would retain more involvement in this process than usual to help teams with managing the Covid requirements.
- New Business: mention was made to the structure of the club in 2021, which will need to be finalized prior to the AGM in Nov 2020. Committee to discuss a proposal and possible survey to families. It was advised that a number of key positions would be vacated. MF to circulate some idea.

Presented by Zoi Barber, Bec Muir & Mel Fisher. Moved: Emma M. Seconded: Brett H.

MEETING CLOSED: 8.10pm

NEXT P&C MEETING: Term 3, Wk 5 19 August; Term 4, 11 November 2020

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