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Quidditch Australia June Board Meeting Minutes

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Quidditch Australia's June Board

Meeting Minutes

Date: 25. 06. 2020

Location: Google Hangouts

Present: Ajantha Abey, Kelsey Collins, Alistair Yap, Jamie Turbet, Nicola Gertler (9:32pm),
Luke Derrick

Apologies: Scott Palmer

Meeting Opened: 9:10pm

Census Plan

AJ: Made a post in slack, please give me ideas of things of stuff to include by the weekend. Don't want it recruitment, demographic, gameplay, spending priorities, gender engagement (From Courtney). Stuff that is useful for future strategic planning, landmarks for us to improve on. What kind of jerseys do people like?

LD: Don't make it too long so people will make it

AY: Why did people retire, what drew people to the sport?

AJ: Who do we want to target this survey at? People who have left? Any time?

LD: Anytime

AY: Anytime would be useful



LD: If you ask anytime ask for start and end dates

Financial Report/Membership prices

NG: I received forms for insurance today. In Paypal we have \$4 884. 79, in the bank account we have \$26 294.76.

JT: Mostly from memberships?

NG: Yes, moved \$13 000 from paypal. No cash anymore - deposited all cash awhile ago. Premium is (same cover, same period - need to) - 700 participants, dropped from 900 in 2019. Looking at paying \$18 292.85. Can pay in installments, but a bad idea.

AJ: This coming FY?

NG: Need to start our insurance from July 1st. Pay it straight out, installments are \$1600 extra. It is about \$26 per player - QA gets \$33. Dropping membership payments is iffy as some have already paid. \$60 for WA may be a bit much as they don't benefit from QUAFL and State. We can reduce the fee as we are only running QUAFL this year/

LD: We fought hard to increase prices

AJ: We have still been providing stuff

JT: Affordability came up as an important value at the strategic forum, and it has been tough this year, making what it means to be affordable different.

LD: I see your point - but what are we cutting it down to? We are not reducing membership because nothing has been happening. We will do it due to COVID - how low do we go? \$10 is tokenistic.

NG: I did the numbers. No state means we have saved \$9000-\$5000. QUAFL will break even or profit. It is more sustainable to keep QUAFL fee than keep membership. Lower membership fee to \$45. \$26.50 to insurance, we get \$18.50 - \$9000 for 500 members.

AJ: Are we going to refund people?

LD: Either we change the price and refund or do nothing. We can't reduce and not give refunds. That isn't fair.

NG: Can we talk about potential memberships. How many members do we have currently?

AJ: 335 members currently.



NG: How many trials? Lets say 30 - we would be losing \$4000. How many extra members will we get? 300? 250 members a \$45 - we break even with a small profit. \$12 000. Making potentially \$4000 with QUAFL. I think this is fine. Make sure we end the year with more than \$10 000. We had a really good year last year - 10 is sustainable. Under \$10 000 will be very tight.

AJ: We have a strategic forum, SS, Dropbears. Lots of expenses. Is \$15 really that much? The extra money will give us a lot of flexibility

NG: All of those things also give us an opportunity to earn. \$12 000. It will be harder to lose the QUAFL than membership

KC: We are going backwards - have struggled for money, \$15 is nothing. Soccer isn't offering refunds - could drop QUAFL if backlash - make it clear why

AJ: There wasn't really a fight to rise membership prices

JT: The reason for the drop is to give back to the community and reinforce those values. Yes, we would like extra money to do stuff - but the strat plan is basically going to dictate what we do and what we spend money on, and we have 5 years to achieve what we want. We aren't in a rush, and this one drop won't be a major set back.

NG: Agree with Jamie, this is a grass level sport, we care, doing our best. We also don't provide for any leagues - different from other sports. QA stuff is admin costs, for SS costs for Dropbear things. Keeping QUAFL where it is would be better - dropping QA membership fee would impact more people

AJ: Can get behind symbolism - Lowering by \$10 would be enough and a middle ground

NG: Going to \$45 would be dropping by 25%, if that helps

LD: People will complain

NG: It would look bad for a big profit - look forward at the initiatives

AJ: We are also releasing half-year reports.

LD: Shouldn't be functioning off complaints

KC: \$15 won't mean much to some people, but it will for us

JT: Don't need to rush everything

LD: One bad year can impact



NG: The numbers that we have presented - do we think we will have a significant drop in members? We may need the buffer if so.

LD: Possibility, if international students can't get back

KC: Accounting perspective - why are we reducing this amount of money? To help sign ups?

LD: Good faith

KC: Need to be comparing the difference between getting the number

NG: To break even we need 127 members extra

Luke move the motion to vote on lowering the cost of memberships

AJ Seconded

Yes: 4

No: 2

Luke moved the motion to vote on issuing a discount of either \$15 or \$10

\$10: 5

\$15: 0

Abstain: Kelsey

Full-player membership prices will be reduced by \$10. All current memberships will get refunded

Dropbears Timeline

JT: I put stuff in slack. What did you want to talk about AJ?

AJ: Training camps, final team, close applications.



JT: Training camps will resume towards the end of the year. We could start applications ASAP, but don't need to close till much later in the year. Forgot to talk about team selection dates.

LD: Have applications start later if we aren't going to choose sooner. I will do a rough timeline and bring it to management team.

State Shield

JT: We are happy with cancelling this year?

AJ: Yes

LD: We should just cancel it, there's too much going on. Nothing early next year, need to be consistent. Membership would be difficult

AJ: I would like a Quidcamp type event. Strategic planning if possible, with a SS like event attached.

LD: State thing - still a lot of stuff for people also doing WC. Quite exhausting to do it all - even if not a big event

JT: There will also be the Perth strategic forum, I don't want any clashes

LD: All aligned on cancelling the state shield for next year. Ask states about what to do for next year

JT: Already asked

LD: See how QUAFL pans out for February

JT: Will email after the meeting

Half Year Reports

AJ: Important for #transparency. Write as much as you want of what you have done. One from Courtney, getting one from Nora for NSO. Jamie doing Dropbears. Going forward, set up a channel in slack for reporting on when you did stuff so I can compile for monthly reports



LD: Sounds good. When do you need this report?

AJ: Latest by Sunday, publish by the 1st.

General Business

AY: Will cancel bookings for State Shield

LD: Say we're keen, just not right now

KC: Make sure you give them the reason

JT: What's happening with QUAFL?

AY: I need to call them for storage. Start working with Dammia for accommodation.

JT: Weird that they haven't called -

AY: Yes will keep. Cricket club.

JT: The cricket club will not work, we need to look at the organisation that approached us to host.

AY: Have places to rent at youth club

KC: Gameplay committee meeting at 4pm. Everyone invited

AJ: What is happening with complaints handling?

JT: I keep forgetting to put it on the agenda, will get onto it ASAP

Meeting Closed: 10:20pm