

Mid West Football League Inc.

Minutes of Meeting

Minutes of the AGM of the Mid West Football League, held Monday 2 November 2015 at the **Minnipa Hotel**, commencing 8.24pm.

1. Roll call

1.1 Present

President:	Peter Cock
Secretary:	Karen Quinn – (2016 Leanne McArdle)
Junior Coordinator:	Scott Feltus
Wudinna United:	Zane Petty, Neil Seaman
Central Eyre:	Aaron Grocke
Elliston:	Jay Williams, Tony Tree
West Coast Hawks:	Nathan Johnson, Kirk Montgomerie
Western Districts:	Wade Shepperd, Allen Curtis

1.2 Apologies

Regional Coordinator:	Andrew Taheny
Treasurer:	Kelly O'Brien
Wirrulla:	Darren Mudge, Simon Webb
Central Eyre:	Jared Sampson
Wudinna United:	Simon Petty, Tom Seal

2. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

That the minutes of the AGM of the MWFL held 3 November 2014 be passed as true and correct.

Nathan Johnson/Aaron Grocke

CARRIED

That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held 27 July 2015 be passed as true and correct.

Tony Tree/Wade Shepperd

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from Minutes of Last Meeting

3.1 Life Membership Nominations

Tom Stringer

Refer to General Business

3.2 Qualifications for Life Membership

Junior Coordinator to be allocated 2 points for each year of service.

Refer to General Business

3.3 Age Gaps in Colts

Regulations include that permission be sought from parents, arm bands to be worn, players to be matched to age and ability, recognized on time sheet, umpire to be informed of colt playing.

League needs to come up with duty of care policy/guidelines for colts to play in senior grade.

Suggestions are to include minimum age and white shorts, parents to sign permission.

Delegates to take back to clubs work out how clubs would like to address issue and what to be included in policy/guidelines.

Refer to General Business

3.4 WCH – Letter received re APPS

Letter sent to Andrew Buckham asking why the league isn't following the point system. Clubs were asked to provide their position on the APPS rules, only Western Districts and Elliston responded, both responded that they would like for the league to seek from the SACFL an exemption from the APPS.

Delegates to take back to clubs to reach a consensus to address the APPS system for next season.

Refer to General Business

3.5 Umpire Payments

Need to look at increasing payment for umpires. Delegates to take back to clubs for endorsement at AGM.

Refer to Item 11

4. Questions on Notice

Nil

5. Financial Report

Funds available as at 31 October 2015 are \$18,088.82.

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.

Peter Cock/Allen Curtis

CARRIED

6. Correspondence

6.1 SACFL – Affiliated league player contracts – a final SACFL Player Contract has been received and emailed to clubs, this contract is to be used from next season for clubs that pay players. Refer to Regulation 31.

6.2 SACFL – Playing uniform Regulation 34 – email sent to clubs re new Regulation 34 which outlines requirements of how each club's playing uniforms are to display the SACFL and sponsor's logos.

6.3 SACFL – Apparel suppliers – 6 suppliers have been awarded an on field apparel licence for 2016 – 2018 (BLK, JS Sports, Nelson Teamwear, Prime Sports Apparel, Sports Centre, Viv Sports).

6.4 SACFL – Player payment spreadsheet – Email sent to clubs included an updated player payments spreadsheet. The spreadsheet will be used as the reporting template that Clubs are required to submit three times per year. Also included in the spreadsheet (Page 4) is the statement of payments that is to be signed by the Club representatives and submitted with the spreadsheet.

6.5 SACFL – Sponsorship – BHP funding no longer available. SACFL are looking for a strategic partner to provide funding for education and offer resourcing to clubs and leagues. Clubs will be required to wear their logo and a proposal has been put forward for the sponsor to receive naming rights to the A grade competition of the league.

6.6 WCHFC – Response to 'Alleged misconduct towards an umpire – Simon Tucker'.

Letter to be accepted from West Coast Hawks.

Aaron Grocke/Tony Tree

CARRIED

7. Presidents Report

I would like to start by thanking the league executive, especially Karen Quinn who has taken on the League Secretary role for the last 2 years and has done a fantastic job and well done to Elliston for supporting Karen, Kelly O'Brien who has done the Treasurers role for the last 2 years and doing a fantastic job, Scott Feltus for taking on the new Junior Coordinator role and also Aaron Grocke for helping out when Scott was at the country Championships, Tom Seal as Deputy Vice President and Andrew Buckham for his tireless work as Recorder, Bucky as we know him does a lot of work behind the scenes that not a lot of people know about and he has certainly help me in the President's role. Also, the club delegates and the various people who have taken on roles throughout the year to ensure Mid West are represented in the best possible manner – thank you all.

I would like to mention our representative sides this year, from the Port Adelaide Cup, Kinlough Cup and the Mortlock Shield. Again, each of the sides performed admirably in the Mid West colours and I thank all the players, coaches and support staff for their commitment to Interleague football. Some players from the above competitions also continued on to represent EP, Well done to U15 – Fraser Douglass, U17 Guy Hutchinson, Jack Wilkins, Samuel Buckham, Mitchell Gumm, Kyle Tucker, Harrison Petty, Lachlan McInnis, and the senior EP rep Jay Williams who also went on to make the state country side. Congratulations to Luke Nettle for coaching the Kinlough Cup winning side which is the first time we have won this title for 16 years. Thanks to Jared Sampson for

coaching the Port Adelaide Cup side this year, Jared did an amazing job considering we are not as strong in this age group at the moment, also Mick Kessel for taking on the senior side for the 3rd year, and a very respectable Mortlock Shield.

I would like to take this opportunity to first of all congratulate the league’s premier achievers’ this year, A grade premiers Central Eyre, B grade Premiers Wirrulla, and Wudinna for winning the colts premiership well done to everyone involved. Mail Medallist Dillon Montgomerie & JV Day best U21– Matthew Williams, Runner up and Presidents medallist a tie with– Heath Zwar and Jarden Stotzer, Montgomerie Medallist Reserves B&F – David Moyses & Runner up – Quinten Webb, JH McKenna leading goal kicker – Shannon Haynes & Lockwood Medallist – Samuel Buckham and Runner Up Frazer Douglass.

Mid West football has its challenges and will continue to do so, with pressures coming from the outside leagues talking amalgamations and also internal pressures with the recruiting zones. There is the added pressure of the APPS which is the points system, and also a salary cap system, this itself throws up issues with volunteers that are required to go over and above the normal role they are used to doing. Along with filling positions on the MWFL there are also challenges out there for clubs to get commitment from volunteers to keep all our clubs functioning. However, we do have a fairly stable league and enjoy a great family atmosphere each week, in particular bolstered by the relationship enjoyed with our netball association.

Thank you to all our hosts through the final series, and also thank you to all the clubs for capably fulfilling the rostered finals duties, so important!

Now unfortunately for my work commitments I will be unable to give enough time required to fill the President’s role and as such will not be standing for re-election of President but would still like to stay on in a Vice President role to help the new President coming in.

Thanks everyone for all the help you have given me as Junior President and now as Senior President.

Peter Cock
President, MWFL

8. Elections of officers

	Officers	Incumbent	
8.1	Returning Officer	Peter Cock	CARRIED
8.2	President	Tony Tree	<i>Aaron Grocke/Nathan Johnson</i> CARRIED
8.3	Vice President	Peter Cock	<i>Allen Curtis/Wade Shepperd</i> CARRIED
8.4	Secretary	Western Districts (Leanne McArdle)	
8.5	Recorder	Andrew Buckham (continuing)	
8.6	Assistant Secretary Tribunal	Bert Kwaterski	<i>Aaron Grocke/Wade Shepperd</i> CARRIED
8.7	Public Officer	Tony Tree	President (role)
8.8	Treasurer	Kelly O’Brien	(continuing)
8.9	Umpires Director	Rick DuBois	(continuing)
8.10	Junior Coordinator	Wudinna (Simon Petty)	

Secretary rotation between clubs:

Western Districts	2016/2017
Central Eyre	2018/2019
Wudinna United	2020/2021
West Coast Hawks	2022/2023
Wirrulla	2024/2025
Elliston	2026/2027

Junior Co-ordinator rotation between clubs:

Wudinna United	2016
Wirrulla	2017
Elliston	2018
West Coast Hawks	2019
Central Eyre	2020
Western Districts	2021

9. Honorarium 2015

9.1	President	\$ 500
9.2	Secretary	\$2000
9.3	Vice President	\$ 150
9.4	Recorder	\$1000
9.5	Assist Tribunal Sec	\$ 150
9.6	Treasurer	\$ 200
9.7	Junior Co-ordinator	\$ 300
9.8	Umpires Director	\$ 300

Honorarium to remain the same as last year.

Aaron Grocke/Nathan Johnson

CARRIED

10. Gate Prices

10.1	Minor Round	\$6 Adult, \$3 Concession, \$0 Children
10.2	Major Round (finals)	\$7 Adult, \$4 Concession, \$0 Children
10.3	Budget price	\$2

Gate prices to remain the same as last year.

Allen Curtis/Jay Williams

CARRIED

11. Umpires Payments

A grade (club)	\$200
A grade (panel)	\$200 plus km reimbursement @ 50 cents per km

Allen Curtis/Aaron Grocke

CARRIED

B grade	\$80
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Jay Williams/Neil Seaman

CARRIED

Colts	\$50
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Tony Tree/Nathan Johnson

CARRIED

12. Account Signatories

12.1 Mid West Football League Bank Accounts – Bank SA Wudinna

Cheque signatories Tom Seal, Peter Cock, Kelly O'Brien and Andrew Buckham with any two to sign.

Wade Shepperd/Nathan Johnson

CARRIED

12.2 Mid West Umpires Panel Bank Account – Bank SA Wudinna

Cheque signatories to remain as Andrew Buckham and Rick Du Bois with any one to sign.

Aaron Grocke/Zane Petty

CARRIED

13. League Tribunal

13.1 Commissioner

Newton Luscombe as Commissioner. Peter Cock to confirm with Newton.

13.2 Proxy Commissioner

President or vice president as per revised guidelines.

14. Life Membership Nominations

Tom Stringer on hold at present - need to confirm junior work completed.

Robert Kwaterski – Andrew Buckham to confirm points and report back in February.

15. General Business

15.1 Junior Colts

Suggestions for policy/guidelines:

Permission from parents to play in seniors (registration form)

White shorts to be worn by players 14 to 16 years old

Andrew Buckham to write up policy/guidelines to be presented at February meeting.

Nathan Johnson/Tony Tree

CARRIED

15.2 Qualifications for Life Membership

Junior Coordinator to be allocated 2 points for each year of service. Constitution to be updated.

Allen Curtis/Aaron Grocke

CARRIED

15.3 APPS System

Discussion held, continue as normal.

15.4 Season Review 2015

Andrew Buckham has reviewed Constitution and By-Laws, copies of draft document has been circulated with suggested changes tracked in blue. Take back to clubs to review and any amendments to be brought to February meeting.

15.5 National Registration Form

2016 rolled over on 1st November. Some amendments to the form.

15.6 Draft 2016 program

Streaky Bay 25 June 2016 - change game to Piednippie, program to be adopted at February meeting.

15.7 Western Zone Junior Meeting

Kinlough Cup proposed to Ravensdale to Centenary, we said no.

Looking for zone coaches and managers if anyone interested.

Tom Seal voted in as Western Zone Junior Life Member.

5 names to be provided for development camp.

Discussed dual registration.

16. Other Business

16.1 Nil

17. Umpires Report

Submitted by Rick Du Bois, Umpires Coordinator

Dear Peter, executive & delegates

First, on a personal note, I wish to thank the league and its delegates for your consideration in awarding me life membership, an honour that I will truly cherish.

Coordinating the umpiring this year again had its challenges, mainly around availability of panel umpires, however clubs are to be commended in again filling the gaps without any debate when I requested this of them each week.

My regular umpires this year were:

Andrew Buckham	13 games	plus Association, Mortlock, Kinlough & Finals
Wade Shepperd	13 games	(mainly Western Districts) plus Association & Finals
Robert Carcuro	10 games	plus Finals
Ian Harrowfield	12 games	plus Pt Adelaide Cup plus Finals
Craig Haslam	5 games	plus Finals

I understand there has been some talk about lifting the payments for umpires, I feel that this is warranted and offer some thoughts for delegates to consider.

Current rates are:

A Grade \$130

B Grade \$55

Colts \$40

A grade panel also receive a payment of 45 cents per km when they are required to travel, this equated to \$3,696 this season (this has been as high as \$6,100 in recent years). This cost is levied to clubs equally to pay.

Year	KM's claimed	\$\$ Claimed	Levy per Club
2010	11253	\$5,063	
2011	11436	\$5,146	
2012	13613	\$6,125	
2013	8209	\$3,694	
2014	9381	\$4,221	
2015	8214	\$3,696	
Average	10351	\$4,657	\$776

In reviewing the payment for 2016 season and beyond I feel consideration should be given to those umpires who act as Panel Umpires.

In defining a Panel Umpire, I would say it is those who are prepared to go to any game in any location each week. As such I suggest a different rate be paid to panel umpires than club umpires. However, I feel it would be difficult for clubs to manage who is panel and who is not in determining payment, and it may be possible that one club wears a greater cost due to my programming each week, so I propose that this difference also be claimed at the end of the year from the league and levied to the clubs.

My suggestion is:

A Grade (Club) \$130

A Grade (Panel) \$150

KM reimbursement 45 cents per km

B Grade \$70

Colts \$50

For example if the agreed A grade rate is \$130 per game, and panel umpires receive \$150 per game (ie \$20 difference).

Clubs will pay \$130 to each umpire each week. Then if I use the games umpired for 2015 as a guide, I would claim for Andrew Buckham, Robert Carcuro, Ian Harrowfield, Craig Haslam a total of 40 games @ \$20 per game = \$800, which would in turn be levied to each club @ \$134 per club at the end of the year. You will note I didn't include Wade Shepperd in this as Wade pretty much follows Western Districts games and is therefore not available to be rostered anywhere. However if Wade was fully mobile and prepared to travel anywhere, he would also be regarded as a panel umpire, whether umpiring Western Districts or not. I would be interested in the delegates view on this.

Reaccreditation of umpires will be due in 2016 – the current list of club & panel umpires is as follows:

NAME	SURNAME	CLUB	ACCREDITATION
David	Bower	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Keenan	Bury	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Tyler	Chapman	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Tom	Freeth	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Mark	Fridd	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Martin	Groccke	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Dillan	Harradine	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Hayden	Heath	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Ashley	Joyce	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Brett	McComb	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Kane	Murphy	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Shaun	Murphy	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Craig	O'Brien	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Wade	O'Brien	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Kane	Sampson	Central Eyre	Renew 2016
Matt	Sampson	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Jack	Sampson	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Justin	Schultz	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Jesse	Stringer	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Craig	Waters	Central Eyre	Not Accredited
Steve	Agars	Elliston	Renew 2016
Rodney	Hutchinson	Elliston	Renew 2016
Frank	Kenny	Elliston	Renew 2016
Fred	Romanowycz	Elliston	Not Accredited
Andrew	Buckham	Mid West Umpires Panel	Renew 2016
Robert	Carcuro	Mid West Umpires Panel	Renew 2016
James	Halls	Mid West Umpires Panel	Renew 2016
Craig	Haslam	Mid West Umpires Panel	Renew 2016
Craig	Walladge	Mid West Umpires Panel	Renew 2016
Greg	White	Mid West Umpires Panel	Renew 2016
Brenton	Bascombe	West Coast Hawks	Not Accredited
Luke	Fiebig	West Coast Hawks	Not Accredited
Darren	Guidera	West Coast Hawks	Renew 2016
Phil	Hargans	West Coast Hawks	Not Accredited
Brody	Hutchison	West Coast Hawks	Not Accredited
Ian	Johns	West Coast Hawks	Renew 2016
Darryl	Johnson	West Coast Hawks	Not Accredited
Ian	Montgomerie	West Coast Hawks	Renew 2016
Nick	Schumann	West Coast Hawks	Not Accredited
Dylan	Beinke	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Trent	Brace	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Damien	Carey	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Matthew	Carey	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Matthew	Cook	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Scott	Feltus	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Jerel	Fromm	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Kade	Gill	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Nathan	Hebberman	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Bradyn	Hedley-King	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Shannon	Horgan	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Neil	King	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Damon	King-O'Loughlen	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Leigh	Scholz	Western Districts	Not Accredited
Wade	Shepperd	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Myles	Tomney	Western Districts	Renew 2016
David	Wendland	Western Districts	Renew 2016
Ian	Evans	Wirrulla	Renew 2016
Darren	Hammatt	Wirrulla	Not Accredited
Peter	Holmes	Wirrulla	Not Accredited
Peter	Lawrie	Wirrulla	Not Accredited
Andrew	Watson	Wirrulla	Not Accredited
Shane	Best	Wudinna United	Renew 2016

Ryan	Du Bois	Wudinna United	Renew 2016
Luke	Harradine	Wudinna United	Not Accredited
Luke	Nettle	Wudinna United	Not Accredited
Michael	North	Wudinna United	Renew 2016
Zane	Petty	Wudinna United	Not Accredited
Regan	Petty	Wudinna United	Not Accredited
Tom	Seal	Wudinna United	Not Accredited
Brenton	Wedding	Wudinna United	Renew 2016

18. Club Reports

18.1 Wudinna United

Looking at getting new guernseys.

17.2 Central Eyre

Looking at getting new guernseys.

Request use of yellow footballs for all games. Take back to clubs and bring back to February meeting.

17.3 Elliston

Christian Weetra will be A grade coach.

17.4 West Coast Hawks

25 June game looking at getting a special set of guernseys.

17.5 Western Districts

Working hard at recruiting.

19. Next Meeting to be held on Monday 22 February 2016

20. Meeting closed at 10.01pm