**TIMPERLEY & DISTRICT JFL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 4thAPRIL 2022 AT THE HOUGH END CENTRE**

**1.0) GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

1a) **Role call**

Absent: ACheadle & Gatley, Cheadle Royals, De La Salle, FCCR, Fletcher Moss, Hale Utd, Hough End, Irlam Jnrs, Moorside Rngs, MU Foundation, Old Stretfordians, Parkwyddn, Sale Communities, south Man Sports, Tytherington Jnrs, Wahlley Range, Winton, Wythenshawe Celtic.

Apologies: Alderley Utd, Juno Utd, Lymm Rovers, Wilmslow Town, Wythenshawe Town.

Carla Parka, Tim Mullock, Stuart Liston, Sheila Saddington, Matt Fitton.

Note: The Chairman (John Burnett) and the General Secretary (Brian Fletcher) sent apologies and arrived after the meeting started, they have been attending an important meeting at the CCFA in Northwich,

**2.0)** **LEAGUE OFFICERS REPORTS**

**2a) Vice Chairman – Peter Walker**

i) The Vice- Chairman welcomed everyone to the April meeting and advised that the Chairman and the General Secretary would join later.

ii) The Vice Chairman stated that there was still a number of issues concerning abuse of Referees by spectators and the ID system was now fully up and running and manager and coaches would be easier to identify, when issues arise.

**2b) General Secretary Brian Fletcher (By John Halfpenny)**

1. There are a number of Cup matches outstanding which will have an impact on the Finals. The League believes that Cup finals should be treated as a “special” day and we work tirelessly to ensure we get the best venues possible.
2. Ensure that all matches are played on time as we cannot tolerate Finals Days slipping.
3. We have lost several weekends lately because of Easter and the Manchester Marathon.
4. The requirement for cancellations is still 14 days however it may be impossible for the Divisional Secretaries to accommodate ANY cancellations at this late in the season – but we are already playing mid-week games.
5. All trophies should have been returned at the March meeting; ensure any outstanding trophies are returned ASAP.

**2c) Treasurer Roy Robinson- Apologies**

i) No report.

**2d) Referee’s Secretary Stuart Liston Apologies**

1. No report.

**2e) Welfare Officer Sheila Saddington Apologies**

i) No report

**2f) Full Time (FT)/Whole Game System (WGS) Andy Gorman**

1. Nothing to report all running fairly smoothly.

**2g) Assistant League Secretary John Halfpenny**

1. As mentioned at several earlier meetings, there is an acute shortage of Referee’s although the situation has improved recently with extra courses run by the CCFA and the ADFA.
2. We are still experiencing misconduct towards Referees, which is unacceptable and the ADFA is working hard with our younger Referees to ensure that reports are sent in accurately and in a timely manner to ensure that the county FA’s deal with them appropriately
3. A new Referees course will be run locally towards the end of June.
4. It has been reported that the Altrincham & District Amateur Football League – who play on Saturday afternoons will likely fold at the end of this season. (See AOB).

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**3.0) DIVISIONAL SECRETARIES' REPORTS**

**3a) Youth Division Andy Gorman**

1. Fixtures are all the website, there are several outstanding games which need to be played ASAP. There are no “free” weekends available, so games will need to be midweek.
2. Congratulations to Woodhouse Park who beat Alderley Utd Wizards in the Final of the Bundesliga Cup.

**3b Under 16’s Colin Acton**

1. All games have been added to the website.
2. The Division 4 Final has been played and there are 2 Semi Finals arranged for this week.
3. There are a few League games left – they may have to be played mid-week.
4. If you are involved in the cup ensure that all your stats are up to date.

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**3c) Under 15’s Tim Mullock Apologies**

1. No report.

**3d) Under 14’s Chris Cole**

1. Two Cup finals have already been played – Division 4 Longford Park v Streford Victoria and Division 5 Wilmslow Sports v Broadheath Central. Both games were played in the right spirit and a credit to their clubs and the League.
2. Four finals yet to be arranged – ensure that your stats are up to date.
3. Friendlies are being arranged and added to FT.
4. The season finishes on the 15th May any remaining League games not played will have to be played mid-week.

**3f) Under 13’s Simon Foden**

1. There have been 14 teams at Under 13 where the Managers and coaches have been report as not displaying the ID badge.
2. All fixtures are now in Full Time – if you cannot fulfil a fixture advise the Divisional secretary and he will try and find another slot.
3. The Under 13’s Cups are yet to be played.
4. Several teams have completed their League programme, but there are a few games yet to be completed, in all Divisions.

**3g)** **Under 11’s & 12’s Carla Parker Apologies**

1. The Cup Final weekend will be played at Trafford FC, with the U11’s playing on the 7th May and the U12’s on the 8th May.
2. Ensure that all player and match stats are up to date, or you will not be allowed to compete in the cup.

**3i)** **Under 9s & 10’s Carla Parker Apologies**

1. The Cup Final weekend will be played at Trafford FC over the weekend of the 13th/14th/15th May – this includes Friday evening.
2. Ensure that all player and match stats are up to date, or you will not be allowed to compete in the cup.

**3j)** **Under 7’s & 8’s Andy Gorman**

1. The PL sessions are now complete.

**AOB**

1. There was a brief discussion regarding the Youth League; Andy Gorman explained that this season the age group was raised to Under 19’s for those players that missed out during the covid restriction. From the floor it was asked if the League could run an Under 21 given that the ADAFL was folding, It was agreed that the executive committee would review this and send out their proposals before the next meeting.
2. A question was raised regarding the expansion of the League – there are55 clubs in the League at the moment but there is expansion within age groups – at Under 9’s, 10’s, 11’s and 12’s we have an average increase of 15%.
3. The next Meeting would take place 9th May.