



**Merredin Sports Council  
General Meeting MINUTES  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

The Meeting was declared open by President Ben Jardine at 7.01pm

**Present:**

Ben Jardine, President  
Erica Carlson, Secretary  
Brett deLacy, Merredin Mens Hockey  
Glenn Crees, Merredin Golf Club  
Dennis Hobson, Civic Bowling Club  
Jade Healey-Ratima, Merredin Netball Assoc  
Steve Gregory, MRC&LC Manager  
Warren Crook, Nukarni Football Club  
Glen Reithmuller, Turf Alliance  
Camray Gethin, MDLTC  
Alyce Tyson, Burracoppin Hockey  
Rob Broomhall, Merredin Golf Club  
Rebecca McCall, Merredin Women's Hockey  
Corey Nelson, Merredin Basketball Association  
James Morris, Merredin Junior Cricket Association

**Apologies:**

Sally Trunfio, Peter Squire, Michael Caughey

**Disclosure of Interest - Nil**

**Minutes of Previous General Meeting dated**

Minutes from the General Meeting held 8/7/14 were distributed to members via email.

***That the minutes of the General Meeting dated the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014 be accepted as a true and correct record.***

**Moved:** Jade Healey-Ratima

**Seconded:** Glenn Crees

**Carried**

**Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

DSR Talent Development Program

The following motions were moved at MSC Committee of Management Meeting held 19/8/2014.

*That a sub-committee to be known as the Merredin Regional Talent Development steering Committee be formed to oversee the RTD Project in the Shire of Merredin. Each sport involved in the project shall be represented by a single representative.*

Moved: Camray Gethin

Seconded: Brett de Lacy

Carried

*That the Merredin RTD Committee is to be chaired by an appointed member of the MSC, who shall report to the Executive.*

Moved: Brett de Lacy

Seconded: Mick Caughey

Carried

DSR have been informed of our intention to proceed and they have finalised a Project Brief which has been distributed. Next step is to form a sub committee.

***That each financial sporting group of the MSC, nominate a potential member to represent them on the Merredin RTD Committee. Nominations are to be received in writing to the Secretary no later than 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014.***

**Moved:** Alyce Tyson

**Seconded:** Brett de Lacy

**Carried**

MRC&LC Manager will chair the first meeting, then a Chairperson will be appointed to the sub-committee by the Executive.

#### Community Garden

Letter was forwarded to CEO, DCEO and MRC&LC Manager on the 22/7/14 outlining MSC concerns. Response from CEO circulated. Meeting accepted response provided but agreed that our concerns need to be closely monitored in the coming months.

#### Governance Course

Ben thanked those sports that supported the presentation held on the 14<sup>th</sup> July. Ben reminded sports of the importance of providing honest feedback on the survey's provided as it is the only way of telling if the course provided met the attendee's expectations.

#### Treasurers Report

Monthly Finance Report was distributed.

***That the members receive and accept the monthly Treasurers report as a true and correct record of the financial position of the Merredin Sports Council.***

**Moved:** Brett de Lacy

**Seconded:** Dennis Hobson

**Carried**

Copy of approved budget circulated.

#### Turf Invoice

The following motion was moved at the management committee meeting

*That the Merredin Sports Council undertake the responsibility of the finances of the Turf Alliance Shade Structure Program. This is under the condition that the money in the Turf Alliance account and the four individual sports contributions are transferred to the Sports Council prior to the project commencing.*

**Moved:** Mick Caughey

**Seconded:** Brett de Lacy

**Carried**

Invoice for \$32500 has been received from the shire, for payment of 50% of shade structure.

#### Term Deposit renewal

***That on maturity \$50 000 of the Gold Term Deposit be reinvested for a maximum of 4 months at a rate of 3.4%***

**Moved:** Corey Nelson

**Seconded:** Camray Gethin

**Carried**

#### Correspondence

Monthly correspondence records were distributed.

***That the Merredin Sports Council members receive and accept the inward and outward correspondence record.***

**Moved:** Erica Carlson

**Seconded:** Brett de Lacy

**Carried**

#### Reports/Project Updates

##### MRC&LC Building and Maintenance

Winter Storage Room Clean Up

***That the winter sports be contacted to participate in a storage room clean up be held on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September between 9am – 12pm.***

**Moved:** Alyce Tyson

**Seconded:** Warren Crook

**Carried**

#### Education Courses

Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning workshop was completed on the 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> August 2014. Sports are asked to forward a copy of their completed Strategic Plan to the MSC.

**That the members of the MSC forward a copy of their Strategic Plan to the Secretary by the end of November 2014.**

**Moved:** Alyce Tyson

**Seconded:** Brett de Lacy

**Carried**

**That the MSC write a letter of thanks to CRC for organising the Strategic Planning Workshop.**

**Moved:** Robert Broomhall

**Seconded:** James Morris

**Carried**

### **MRC&LC Administration**

Rec Centre Manager verbal report discussed the following;

- No summer sport meeting. If sports have any problems see Steve, just ensure you have filled out a booking form.
- Main oval upgrade – Cricket pitch is being relayed, Oval to be aerated, levelled and sanded. Expecting no interruption to sports fixtures, with all works to be completed before cricket season.
- Two school base trainees have been employed, working alternate days, to give Erin a hand with the programs.
- Trying to meet each sporting club twice a year. Using this opportunity to ensure everything is going ok.
- Currently getting quotes for a BBQ area. Early days in the planning.
- Catering Agreement sent out needs to be completed and returned.
- Good Sports Program, Steve met with representative this afternoon to discuss program and informed them that the MRC&LC is happy to relay this information to the Sports Council.

#### Items directed to Steve from the meeting:

Public Liability

The MRC&LC Management Plan (page 4) outlines what is covered under the Merredin Shire, Public Liability policy. Specific questions/examples can be directed to DCEO for clarification.

Use of Ds on the Hockey field

Hockey clubs need to ensure all D's, including training D's are being used to assist with wear issues of the turf surface. MRC&LC manager to write a letter to the Hockey clubs bringing this to their attention.

Signage

Steve to follow up Golf Club signage request.

### **Honour Boards**

Meeting was informed of Council's recommendation that the honour boards be hung in the stadium area. Meeting to be arranged with sports involved to try and reconfigure a new plan as the preference is still for all boards to be in the bar area.

### **General Business**

Vacant Committee Positions

Ben informed meeting that at the AGM only 2 of the 4 committee positions were filled. Unless nominations are received these positions will be left vacant.

New Constitution

Letter inviting sport & recreation groups falling within our membership category have been sent out, along with a copy of the new Constitution. In accordance to the new constitution groups have 90 days from the 1<sup>st</sup> July to renew their membership. After this date if payment hasn't been received they will no longer be entitled to vote or receive correspondence.

In our old constitution the definition of a member, included a representation of Council. In our new Constitution members are only defined as

- a) a duly elected person from an incorporated sport or recreational body within the Shire of Merredin or
- b) a natural person being on the 'Executive Committee' of Management of the Sports Council

***That the MSC write to the Merredin Shire Council informing them a representation from Council is no longer required at our General Meetings.***

**Moved:** James Morris

**Seconded:** Dennis Hobson

**Carried**

Copy of new Constitution to be forward to the Shire.

Carpark

Hockey carpark to be listed as an agenda item for next meeting.

Stadium Fans

Basketball/Netball are currently fundraising for the purchase of fans for the indoor stadium. Basketball/Netball to liaise with Steve, obtain quotes etc and then forward proposal to Sports Council for endorsement.

With no further business President Ben Jardine closed the meeting at 8.22 pm

The next scheduled meeting for the Merredin Sports Council will be held Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November commencing at 7pm.

*These minutes have been approved as a correct record of the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014.*

*Signed:*

*Position:*

*Date:*