



**Merredin Sports Council
General Meeting MINUTES
Tuesday 17th June 2014**

The Meeting was declared open by President Andrew Crook at 7.05 pm

Present:

Andrew Crook, President
Erica Carlson, Secretary
Peter Squire, Burracoppin Football Club
Steve Gregory, MRC&LC Manager
Glen Riethmuller, Turf Alliance
Ben Jardine, Vice President, Merredin Cricket Association
Brad Anderson, Merredin Shire Council
Rebecca McCall, Merredin Womens Hockey Club
Warren Crook, Nukarni Football Club
Alyce Tyson, Burracoppin Hockey Club
Sally Trunfio, Merredin Basketball Association
Jenifer Collins, DSR Wheatbelt Manager
Mitch Hardy, DSR Project Leader, Regional Talent Development
Glen Crees, Merredin Golf Club
Wayne Wallace, Civic Bowling Club
Pep Alvaro, Merredin Junior Football Assoc
Paddy Hooper, Nukarni Football Club
Camray Gethin, MDLTC

Apologies:

Brett de Lacy, Claire Kudas, Jade Healey-Ratima, Merredin Netball Association, John Gearing, Robert Broomhall, Mick Caughey, Dennis Hobson

With our guest, DSR Wheatbelt Manager, Jenifer Collins in attendance and needing to travel, Andrew called for a motion to suspend the business of the meeting until after Jenifer's presentation.

That the business of the meeting be suspended until after the DSR presentation.

Moved: Glen Crees **Seconded:** Sally Trunfio **Carried**

Andrew welcomed Jenifer Collins and Mitch Hardy to the meeting. See attached notes.

DSR to forward a proposal on how a Regional Talent Development Program could work in Merredin. Sports Council will need to think about how they would like the finances of this program to be managed. Options would include to run it as a subcommittee of Sports Council or to have the Shire control the finances. Members were also encouraged to think about their priority areas for the funding.

That the business of the general meeting resume

Moved: Sally Trunfio **Seconded:** Pep Alvaro **Carried**

Minutes of Previous General Meeting dated 08/04/14

Minutes from the General Meeting held 08/04/14 were distributed to members via email.

That the minutes of the General Meeting dated the 8th April 2014 be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Ben Jardine **Seconded:** Rebecca McCall **Carried**

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

4.1 Golf

Golf club advised that a letter has been sent to the MRC&LC.

Treasurers Report

Monthly Finance Report was distributed.

That the bills presented for payment be paid:

Nextra Newsagency \$3.95

Moved: Rebecca McCall **Seconded:** Ben Jardine **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:** Stephen Crook **Carried**

Reports/Project Updates

MRC&LC Building and Maintenance

1. Turf Report

Reported by Glen Riethmuller

Agreement has been made on a structure that the Turf Alliance can fund.

That the Merredin Turf Alliance have the approval from Sports Council to construct a permanent shade structure installed on the eastern side of the synthetic surface to be project managed by the Shire of Merredin and fully funded by the following financial contributors:

Turf Alliance **\$17,000**

Merredin Districts Tennis Club **\$12,000**

Merredin Men's Hockey **\$4,000**

Merredin Women's Hockey **\$4,000**

Burracoppin Ladies Hockey **\$4,000**

Moved: Rebecca McCall **Seconded:** Pep Alvaro **Carried**

As the Project Manager, The Shire of Merredin will claim the GST component of this project.

That Sports Council loan Turf Alliance and its members a total of \$16,000 for the purpose of installing the concrete pad, power and water for the shade structure on the condition that the monies is fully repaid no later than June 30, 2015 by the Merredin Women's Hockey Club, Merredin's Men's Hockey Club, Burracoppin Ladies Hockey Club and MDLTC.

Moved: Rebecca McCall **Seconded:** Glen Crees **Carried**

Agreement to be signed by all parties, prior to the distribution of funds.

That Sports Council fund the cost of the installation of a concrete pathway running along the eastern boundary of the synthetic surface up to a cost of \$8,000. The pathway to be installed at the same time as the concrete pad for the shade structure.

Moved: Rebecca McCall **Seconded:** Warren Crook **Carried 7-2**

Education Courses

1. Strategic Planning

Clubs participating in this process have completed the Healthy Club checklist. The results of these checklists will now be made into a Summary which will be the base of stage 2. Stage 2 will be held on the 6th & 7th August. Further details will be available shortly.

2. WACOS Governance Course

Has been booked in the Monday 14th July at the CRC, commencing at 6-9pm.

3. MSC Constitution Review

Draft copy of the proposed new constitution has been distributed to members. Changes to be advertised as a special resolution at the AGM.

MRC&LC Administration

1. Rec Centre Manager report
 - Precinct plan is underway with the demo of some old buildings.
 - Pathway for the golfers has been completed.
 - Hockey clinic has had to be postponed.
 - Erin's fun run is underway.
 - Synthetic turf has been professional cleaned, Simple regular maintenance is needed 2 – 3 times a week.
 - Lights to be looked at on the oval.
 - Bowling Club has been successful in a 50k DSR small grant to assist with the replacement of their Bowling Green.

Honour Boards

- Final draft specs and costings have been sent to the sports concerned. On Johns return these will be ordered.

General Business

Computer Hardware & Software purchase.

That Sports Council purchase a laptop computer and software to assist the Treasurer, up to the combined value of \$800.

Moved: Andrew Crook

Seconded: Sally Trunfio

Carried

General Business

MRC&LC Precinct

- Water Tanks

Members asked if it was planned for the new water tanks to be fenced. MRC&LC Manager to confirm.

- Community Garden

On enquiring if the old tennis court fences were being removed, the meeting was informed, that the location was currently being used by a group for gardening. Concern was expressed at the untidy nature the area was currently in and the possibility of this being a regular occurrence if 'gardening' continued. Members also expressed disappointment of not being informed of the 'community garden' given it falls within the recreation precinct.

Sports Council Crop

Andrew thanked those people involved in the planting of this years 'Sports Council' crop. 70ha of Barley has been put in thanks to Paddy, BP, CSBP and Landmark.

Merredin RTD

Meeting briefly discussed the DSR presentation and agreed that working together is a key. Members looked forward to further information from DSR.

With no further business Andrew Crook closed the meeting at 9.11 pm

The next scheduled meeting for the Merredin Sports Council will be the Annual General Meeting followed by a General Meeting to be held Tuesday July 8th commencing at 7pm at the MRC&LC.