

League Management Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25th August 2015 at the Braunstone Civic Centre.

1. Present and apologies for absence.

	<u>Club</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
2	Blaby District at Heathcote Arms		Graham Booley (GB)
3	Braunstone	Jim Bingham (JTB); Mike Salisbury (MWS); Paul Colburn (PJC)	
8	Loughborough	Stewart Gordon (SG) ; Michael Fraser (MF);	John Mitchell (JM)
11	Oadby	Mike Thornton (MAT)	
14	Syston	Shabir Okhai (SO)	
15	Thurnby	John Pattinson (JP); Bob Collins (BC)	
16	Wigston	Iain Dodds (ID); Martin Burrows (MB)	Andy Morley (AJM);

2. Rule changes suggested from the LRCA AGM

Discussion took place on the away team insisting on playing the shorter time limit if the clocks are not set up by 7:30.

It was assumed that the reason for this suggestion from Latimer may have been long journeys and clubs insisting on playing a 3 hour limit when late starting.

This led to the following proposals

2.1 A short Fischer time limit of 65 minutes with 10 second increments.

Carried Unanimously

2.2 A club can have a published time of 7:45. But the club must play the shorter time limit unless both captains agree the longer time limit can be used.

6 for 2 against.

2.3 A home team not set up to start for the published start time. The away team may then claim the amount of delayed time from the home teams' clock.

5 for 4 against.

3. Additional rule changes to be considered.

3.1 Proposal from MF that the submission time for results be reduced from 14 days to 7 days. Also the 1 board default penalty be applied.

Carried Unanimously

3.2 Proposal from Loughborough that the summer cups allow the home team to choose the time control rather than both captains having to agree on Fischer timings.

Change would be considered when the summer cup rules are published.

3.3 Proposal from MB that the summer quickplay competitions have a Fischer time control option of 20 mins + 10 seconds per move considered by the controller.

Carried Unanimously

4. AOB

The rapid play grades would be removed from the handbook this year as it caused confusion in the summer cups.

The grading officer would be able to allocate grades for the new ECF grade type 'F'