

**FAB MALAGA DELEGATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL 2023
AT LAURO GOLF BC**

In Attendance:	Chairman	Ron Jones
	Treasurer/	Julian Thomas
	League Coordinator	
	Press Officer/	Jane Richardson
	Lauro	
	La Posada	Jeff Rowe
	Saydo	Tom McLean
	Benavista	Doug Hall
	Mijas	John Wilson
	Secretary	Bill Neal
Guest:	Jack Gordon	

Apologies: Simone Morgan (SM) and Carol Frost (MF)

Ron opened the meeting at 11.00 and thanked club representatives for attending together with our guest.

There were no objections to the proposal from John and seconded by Doug to accept the previous minutes as published.

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting apart from the planned way forward regarding funding which is addressed later.

Treasurer Report. Julian confirmed all members had a copy of the financial statement of account provided covering the period 1 January to 5 April this year. Julian went through the figures of income and expenditure detail.

Income to date 973 euros and expenditure of 469 euros to the markers and umpires which was mainly due to the purchase of the new law books which have been distributed. 13 euros was spent on the refurbishment of a plaque and bank charges were 95 euros.

The expenditure total was 577 euros against the income of 973 euros leaving a balance of 396 euros which when added to the existing surplus balance gave a total amount of 8129 euros which is the amount shown in the bank as at 5 April 2023.

There were no questions for the treasurer and a proposal by Geoff and seconded by Tom to accept the account detail as an accurate statement, was fully supported by all.

Clarification – League Matches – Conditions of Play No 11 - Defaulting

Julian opened this agenda point and with Rons assistance gave a detailed brief as to why this regulation point had been introduced in 2019. Julian added that in his opinion part of the regulation was now out of date and he led a discussion as to what the clubs thought of removing the outdated procedure of carrying forward of penalty points incurred to a defaulting club/team, to the next season.

After a healthy discussion between the clubs a proposal was put forward by Julian with Tom acting as second stating:

The current regulation 11, should stay with the following amendment: The non defaulting team will earn 2 points plus 18 shots per rink and any aggregate score and the corresponding total score will be deducted from the defaulting team. The penalty will not be carried forward to the following season.

A show of hands fully supported this proposal.

Doug asked if green fees were payable on a pro rata basis or a complete team cost. Julian confirmed that the cost is a team amount.

Competition Formats.

Ron confirmed to the clubs that he had prepared and issued via e mail a questionnaire to all the clubs asking for players to complete and bring their returns to this meeting. It was designed to try and get a 'feel' from the regular competitors in FAB competitions, as to how to save money with the reduced budget heading our way. Ron thanked all the clubs for their swift responses.

Some of the questions were straightforward Yes/No answers but others would now be discussed in more detail.

Summer Championships. Various suggestions from the clubs included shortening the number of days for each event after playing an internal competition within clubs who would only send their finalists to the semi/final on one day. Another suggestion was should we play only 9 ends instead of 20 (with two trial ends).

Ron suggested that clubs should consider removing the fours and singles from this years summer championships and this was discussed and all clubs agreed to this new format.

All clubs agreed to keep the separate disciplines and these should be played at all clubs, not the central two.

4 day events (Sunday to Wednesday) could be reduced to 3 days depending on entries. Should this be possible, it would be the Sunday that would be removed. This was agreed and passed.

The current spacing of FAB competitions which currently are Jan – May and Sep to Nov should be left alone. The 'snowbirds' still have two windows to choose from if they want to compete.

These agreed changes would mean a change to the calendar which Ron would produce and circulate as soon as possible. With the removal of fours and singles and the reduced days, it was confirmed that Benavista would still host the triples and Saydo the pairs on different dates.

Another question raised was one of "should the competitions be held centrally (Lauro and Mijas) or continue to be shared amongst all participating clubs"? It was agreed by all that the competitions should be shared amongst those clubs willing to accommodate the competitions.

Finally, the award of prizes to finalists. It was agreed by all that the award of a medal is sufficient and will help reduce the expenditure costs.

With no other business either raised or to be discussed the meeting closed at 1220.

Date of Next Meeting.

A provisional date of 17 May was selected but if a meeting was not deemed necessary, this would be circulated in plenty of time by the secretary.