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MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday 5 February, 2014 at 7.00pm, ESFA Office, Eastgardens (Mtg 03/14)

MINUTES

The meeting opened at 7.17pm

03/14.1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Elisha.

03/14.2 MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING 02/14 & MATTERS ARISING

03/14.2.1. Consideration of minutes

John proposed that we add wording to the SSF update that the Board made the determination that is now set out in item C of the proposed agreement with the SSF clubs.

The minutes were taken as a true and correct record, subject to amendment.

Moved: John

Seconded: Ron

CARRIED

03/14.2.2. Business arising from the minutes

The review of action items was held over until the next meeting.

03/14.3 **REPORTS**

03/14.3.1. President's Report

Raff welcomed Directors to the meeting, and stated that the meeting was about formalizing our position in respect of the SSF matter.

Raff noted the extraordinary amount of progress made and hard work done by all, and thanked Directors for their efforts.

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03/14.4 BUSINESS

03/14.4.1. SSF update

Aaron summarized responses to the Board's letters to Pagewood and Queens Park.

The Board discussed the matter.

Following review of the responses from both Pagewood and Queens Park, recognizing that we want to achieve a consistent position for both clubs, ESFA commits that:

- ESFA will allow U6-9 to continue at Pagewood and Queens Park as they did in 2013
 - a. If any Pagewood or Queens Park team wishes to participate in ESFA sanctioned activities they shall be registered
- We require Pagewood and Queens Park U10 and U11 teams to participate in fashion agreed between clubs and Sean Fenton
 - Pagewood and Queens Park are to register their U10 players as they participate
 - Pagewood and Queens Park are to register all of their U11 players
- We require Pagewood and Queens Park U12 and U13 teams to register for and participate in ESFA competition
- 4. ESFA, Pagewood, Queens Park and all ESFA clubs to work together to formulate the best practice model for conducting small sided football and all clubs will participate in ESFA sanctioned programs in 2015.
- ESFA will review our operation of Sunday football and we will ensure that we work to satisfy the needs of all clubs

ESFA will require that a response be provided by Monday 9am.

03/14.4.2. Finance report

Aaron and Mark spoke to the financial report. The Board noted that the state of the outstanding receivables is good, though there still needs to be some action taken in respect of outstanding referees' fines in particular.

On referees' fines, the Board noted the need to enforce a hard line. Clubs that do not pay will play for no points.

Paul reported that the RMC has reviewed the matter, and has proposed that perhaps instead of a fine for yellow cards, we could reduce the number of cards to accrue suspension.

The Board asked Aaron to communicate with clubs outlining that we will enforce fines in accord with board motions; the usual sanctions apply (playing for no points, etc.).

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Ron asked that separate accounts be provided for SAP, RYL; Aaron noted that there are job-by-job profit-loss statements in the report that give that breakdown.

John asked a question regarding the minutes of the last meeting and in particular querying our position on grants for SSF clubs. Aaron advised that it was in Raff's speech, it is provided for in the budget.

03/14.4.3. Referees

Paul reported that the Referees' Branch coach had tendered his resignation owing to greater family commitments.

The Branch is still committed to running courses and is looking at all options to ensure they go ahead.

Paul noted that we will be appointing a new coach.

Raff asked if there are any idea for what to do with the quarantined sums from fines? Paul suggested we can invest in high performing juniors, perhaps offering up development opportunities like sending talented referees to tournaments such as Kanga Cup.

03/14.4.4. Competition management

Aaron to draw up contract with Elisha.

03/14.4.5. Other business

03/14.4.5.1 All clubs meeting

Ron suggested that we push back the All Clubs Meeting to March to be a season launch and tie in the Championship launches. We should look to get a guest speaker; with the agreement of the Treasurer we should budget for approximately \$2k cost.

03/14.4.5.2 Behaviour management program

John asked if Aaron could look up a behaviour management program mentioned in one JC finding last year - ESFA should be looking to roll out a program to minimize behavior problems on the park.

03/14.4.5.3 Future meetings

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The Board proposed to schedule meetings for the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

The meeting closed at 9.11pm