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MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Monday May 15, 2012 at 7.00pm, Juniors @ The Junction
(Mtg 06/12)**

The meeting opened at 7.11pm with President Raff Del Vecchio in the Chair.

The President noted that the meeting is to be conducted in accordance with 2005 constitution.

Accordingly, the Board considers the following persons to hold the respective offices:

- President: Raff Del Vecchio
- Vice-President: Ron Ogilvie
- Corporate Vice-President: Michelle Bogatryov
- Football Vice-President: Mark Puterflam
- Treasurer: Emmanuel Alfieris

The President invited Adam Gwynne and Peter Kriesler invited to attend and observe and there were no objections.

06/12.1 APOLOGIES

There were apologies from Andrew Field and Michelle Bogatryov.

06/12.2 MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING 05/12 & MATTERS ARISING

06/12.2.1. Consideration of minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the meeting of 30th April 2012.

Peter Kriesler noted that some amendments were required for some headings.

Motion: That the minutes of the April 2012 meeting be adopted.

M: Ron

S: Raff

CARRIED

06/12.3 BUSINESS

06/12.3.1. ESFA Finances

The Board discussed ESFA Finances with the aim to achieve a year-round positive cash position. The President presented an options paper he had presented and proposed the following recommendations:

- 1. Better financial reporting to the Board is required with executive summaries providing Annual budget, YTD budget YTD actual and YTD variance.**
- 2. Cash flow statements are required on a monthly basis to the Board**
- 3. Employment expenses to be cut by \$30k per annum. Administrative Assistant role to be phased out and workload to be re distributed to existing staff or volunteers.**
- 4. Technical director to continue to work on an hourly basis and pre approval required from the Board for work carried out.**
- 5. ESFA Schools Initiative under the Coaching and Development Officer to be phased out until either it is commercially self-sustaining, ESFA.s financial position improves, or unless it can be articulated that this position directly results in an increase in player participation within ESFA.**
- 6. Audit services to be placed out to tender and ascertain if commercial savings can be made without infringing upon statutory and regulatory requirements.**
- 7. Bond from Botany Road premises to be obtained immediately.**
- 8. Representations made to Football NSW in regards to their invoicing regime so that it aligns with when ESFA collects fees from Clubs.**
- 9. A regime of clubs being prompt with invoice payments is required to assist with cash flow issues.**
- 10. A review of the Referees Branch be conducted with a view to having a model which is cost neutral to ESFA.**

CARRIED

The Board made the following notes:

- 1 & 2. Aaron and Emmanuel are to meet to discuss.
4. Raff will consult with Andrew about this going forward.
5. Can be revisited if it can be done at no cost to ESFA.
6. Will be examined.
8. Aaron to follow up with FNSW.
10. The Board will review the operation of the referees' branch.

06/12.3.2. Eastern UNSW Lions Women's Super League

Peter reported that in discussions with stakeholders about the WSL committee chairperson we consider Jo-Anne Black as an interim chair to the end of the year.

06/12.3.3. Randwick City FC

Raff reported that subsequent to the Sydney Branch Appeal, Randwick City has appealed to FNSW, and we await further details.

06/12.3.4. Competitions update:

Ron reported that Junior competitions are coming up to re-grading.

Mark reported that there is a SSF review on the 14th May – moving teams from one comp to the next. Ron suggested that at gala days ESFA should produce a certificate of participation for the kids to receive on the day.

06/12.3.5. Referees:

Adam noted that we need to target senior referees to return and referee – David Lewis is getting in touch with lapsed referees. ESFARB needs to think about retention of referees.

06/12.3.6. Special General Meeting:

Ron suggested that we put a story on website rallying support for the SGM. Raff asked Aaron to find out the quorum requirement and do a ring around on the day to ensure that we attain a quorum.

Noting the SGM on May 28 (the scheduled board meeting date) the President stated that the next meeting of the ESFA board will be in June.

With no further business, the President declared the meeting closed at 9:35pm.