



**EASTERN SUBURBS  
FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION**

**Developing football for everyone.**

## **MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Monday 29 October, 2012 at 7.00pm, ESFA Office, Eastgardens  
(Mtg. 11/12)**

### **MINUTES**

In attendance: Raff Del Vecchio, Ron Ogilvie, Mark Puterflam, Andrew Field, Emmanuel Alfieris, Adam Gwynne, Aaron Dibdin (General Manager).

Opened at 7.26

#### **11/12.1 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Michelle Bogatyrov and Peter Kriesler.

#### **11/12.2 MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING 10/12 & MATTERS ARISING**

##### 11/12.2.1. Consideration of minutes

Alteration – clarifying mention of Michelle's exit from the meeting.

M: Mark

S: Raff

CARRIED

#### **11/12.3 REPORTS**

##### 11/12.3.1. Financial Report

Aaron briefly reported that the Auditors' work was concluding.

Aaron also reported that we will be working with a new bookkeeper giving better advice and reporting thanks to her greater expertise

Directors intend to canvass a number of constituent clubs to gauge their concerns with a number of constituent clubs regarding their concerns regarding cost to football.

**Motion: To instruct the Treasurer to seek a reduction of affiliation fees or relevant rebates from Football NSW that will significantly reduce the cost of football at association level.**

Moved: Raff

Seconded: Mark

Carried

#### 11/12.3.2. Other Reports

##### 11/12.3.2.1 Small Sided Football

Mark reported that not much had changed post season.

Andrew noted that the FFA has slightly amended the standard rules.

##### 11/12.3.2.2 Junior FMC

Ron noted that there will be a Junior FMC meeting on Friday to set the agenda for preparing for 2013.

##### 11/12.3.2.3 Senior FMC

###### 1. Premier League 2013

Raff stated that ESFA commissioned Roy to review the ESFA Premier League.

Raff asked Aaron to send to all clubs with timeline to come back to the board.

The board notes its thanks to RB and notes that the report should be given due consideration.

Adam argued that the Board needs to open an application process immediately.

Adam will raise this with the Premier League committee.

Call for nominations this week with clubs asked to address a list of criteria based on FNSW criteria.

###### 2. Joint O30W competition

Adam noted that the Senior FMC is seeking authority to start a joint competition with Canterbury or inviting CDSFA teams over.

The Senior FMC will have discussions and bring proposal back to board.

##### 11/12.3.2.4 Representative Football

Raff reported that we've been granted a SAP licence along with 29 other licensees and that we need to run trials next week.

The Board had a robust discussion.

Raff reported on discussions regarding coaching options under the criteria set by FNSW, and indicated a desire to talk to FNSW about our options.

#### **11/12.4 BUSINESS**

##### 11/12.4.1. Randwick City FC application for 2013

**Motion: That the board resolved to refer the application of RCFC for affiliation to ESFA for the 2013 season to the 2012 AGM**

M Mark

S Andrew

Carried

**Motion: That the Board recommend that the application be rejected**

M Mark

S Raff

Carried

The application will be circulated to clubs.

##### 11/12.4.2. Dunbar Juniors

The Board discussed correspondence with Dunbar Rovers and subsequent advice received in respect of the requirements on ESFA member clubs seeking to enter junior teams for the first time.

The Board concluded that subject to satisfying criteria set out in 7.3 (e)(iii) (the "50% rule"), Dunbar Rovers are entitled to enter teams in 2012

##### 11/12.4.3. Ground Development Trust Fund

Aaron reported that the proposed members are meeting on Wednesday night to discuss the governance documents.

Raff noted that at the AGM he will move to have the trustees appointed.

11/12.4.4. Proposed amendments to Constitution

Aaron noted that David Patch provided us with proposed amendments some time ago but that they had not been re-circulated.

The changes to life members' that have been informally discussed by John Clayton rules are to be dealt with by the incoming board.

11/12.4.5. ESFA Communications

Board noted Greg's report and thanked him for his work.

The Board noted that we should pull together a summary story out of the report that indicates the benefits of advertising on ESFA site.

11/12.4.6. Suggestions for Life Members and Hall of Fame

The Board discussed potential nominations and resolved to address any recommendations put to it by Clubs.

11/12.4.7. ESFA Technical Director

Andrew spoke about recent discussions between himself, FNSW Coach Education Manager Oscar Gonzales and Aaron.

Each Association is expected to appoint a coach education director to set dates for coaching courses and coordinate updates.

Football NSW has provided a very helpful guide to assist in delivery of the revised courses.

The main thrust is to get coaching coordinator in each association to coordinate clubs in turn. The Association can go out to grounds and run sessions with the coaches and train someone to run Grassroots courses. Each club provides a contact that provides a key point of liaison for coach education.

Aaron noted that we can expand our administrative capacity in the office to assist with the organizational side, ensuring we are chasing clubs to ensure they participate in the program and provide maximum benefit to coaches and kids on the park.

11/12.4.8. ESFA Referees Branch

Raff noted that the referees' branch AGM was going on concurrently with the Board meeting.

Raff proposed that the Board nominate Greg Calacouris, David Lewis and Wayne Hillier to serve as its representatives on the Referees' Standing Committee.

M Mark

S Andrew

Carried

#### 11/12.4.9. Other Business

Aaron was instructed to handle the renewal of the lease on the premises at Westfield.

Raff thanked the ESFA directors for their hard work and loyalty through 2012. He reminded them that while they don't always get pats on the back they deserve and get a lot of knocks along the way that they don't, each one deserves a pat on the back for some really good achievements.

Raff noted in particular that this Board has turned the place around financially and is slowly but surely getting the governance right.

Raff wished the best of luck to those seeking election again, for those finishing up he gave his sincere thanks for their service.

Meeting closed at 9.24.