



EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

SMALL SIDED FOOTBALL COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2013

ESFA Office, Level 3, Suite 407 Office Tower Westfield Eastgardens
152 Bunnerong Road Eastgardens

COMMENCING AT 7.00PM

Minutes

Attendance: Ralph Del Vecchio, Andrew Brundu (Coogee), Gerry Frittmann (Dunbar), Craig Millard (Kincoppal Rose Bay), Craig Behrmann (Maccabi), Frank Friedmann (Maroubra), Moray Vincent (Chair, SSF Council), Mark Puterflam (Director of Small Sided Football), Aaron Dibdin (General Manager).

The meeting opened at 7:00pm.

1.Apologies

Apologies were received from Mark Ambour.

2.Acceptance of the Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes were taken as circulated.

3.Review of 2013 season

Moray reported that the season was a project that built on 2012 – we had the format of 6 team divisions, 3x 5-match

cycles, a pattern of 2-up/2-down promotion and relegation, and fixed timeslots.

Moray noted that there was good spirit and professionalism between clubs in getting gradings right.

We had a number of gala days for the U6 and U7s, – we attempted 4 dates and ran 3 – Coogee and Easts were washed out in June.

The gala days were well attended and well run and the kids had fun.

Maccabi had a Sunday Gala Day but wasn't that well promoted – we would need to do that better in future.

Moray noted that we looked to run U8s to U11s gala days but they were scotched because we hit a number of logistical issues, but that this is something we've since talked about and we are planning for 2014 to try to run.

On the representative front, we ran a pretty successful SAP program, the highlights being that while numbers were thin and standards were a little weak, development was good and kids had a good time. ESFA embraced development of girls unlike some other clubs.

4.Election of Council Chair

Moray indicated that he is happy to do the job for one more year, but would like another person to consider sticking their hand up to be the 'second in charge'.

When we're sitting here next year there'll be someone groomed for the role.

Moray indicated that he is planning to keep a lot of things from this year; continue with 6s and 7s gala days.

He wants to integrate ESFA SAP more with the clubs; he wants SAP and Regional League programs to develop players and have them come back to our clubs.

Moray spoke about the idea of having 'ESFA days'; extend the season a little and have 5 rounds + ESFA day / 5 rounds + ESFA day / 5 rounds + ESFA day.

These could essentially be U8-11 gala days, but the SSF Council will need to make plans for what those ESFA days will be.

The fall-back position is that we can use them as make-up days for washed out games.

The pinnacle would be professionally run gala day to close off the season.

We need to have the plan and the resources to carry this through.

There being no other persons nominate, Moray was declared elected unopposed.

5.Other Business

Ralph stated that we need to look to drive the volunteer culture – it's hard to get volunteers at the moment and ESFA needs to provide opportunities for coaching courses and referee courses to get the teenagers into it.

There was a brief discussion of motions to be put to the AGM.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:45pm.