



EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

BOYS COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 7th SEPTMEBER 2016

Newmarket Hotel

COMMENCING AT 7:15PM

MINUTES

Meeting opened at 7:26pm

Attendance:

Andrew Morris (Easts); Cathy Skow, Lachlan Bhim (Heffron); Barry Grossman (Maccabi); Patrick Hardy (Maroubra); Phillip Carabitsios (Mascot); Stevie Lawrence, Tom Mattioli (Pagewood); Alistair Little (Queens Park); Wally Holzer, Tedd Bragg (Redfern Raiders); Tom Adam (Junior Director Football); Adrian Larson (Competitions Coordinator).

Agenda

1. Season review
2. Election of new Chair
3. Rules discussion/proposed changes
4. Draft 2017 calendar
5. Other business

1. Season review

U12/3

PBFC entered 3 teams to the 7 team competition, late in the season. It was agreed that each PBFC team would take turns to play the team that originally had the bye. Unfortunately, there were more forfeits against them than expected.

Some clubs withdrew teams after the grading meeting, which resulted in reformatting of competitions, and a detriment to teams within those

competitions. It was proposed a fine be issue to clubs that withdraw teams after the final nomination deadline.

2. Election of new Chair

No nominations – email to be circulated.

The proposal to abolish council chairs was raised and received well by delegates.

3. Rules discussion/proposed changes

13-15s move to Sunday? Due to school sport on Saturday, and the irregularity of scheduling school sports, it has previously been problematic to schedule 12-15s on Saturday. Therefore, it was proposed to move these age groups to Sunday. However, this would need to be done with the agreement of O35's and possibly O45's to move to Saturday (to free up field availability).

Rugby League is on Sunday morning – school sport is mandatory, kids will need to decide to play football over another sport, if there is a clash.

A monetary forfeit fine to be applied in 2017, as the points deduction did not work well. A recommendation of the Senior forfeit fine model was agreed upon.

1st forfeit: \$100 (after 9am Thursday), 2nd forfeit: \$200, 3rd forfeit: \$250 (refer to disciplinary committee).

No more golden goal in finals. The majority of club delegates agreed to abolish Golden goal during all extra time games, as added time is generally allowed for.

Pennant finals – many issues with teams not wanting to play, resulting in teams simply not showing up. Pennant fixtures to be scheduled as seeded regular season fixtures in the future.

A club championship may help motivate clubs as a whole, and increase accountability of difficult teams.

12's to go to 9v9 in 2017 was agreed upon by all delegates. The proposal to move 12's to MiniRoos, non-competitive structure, with set times on Saturday morning should be considered.

It was proposed to decrease the amount of yellow cards before suspension from 5 to 4. However, Delegates agreed that 5 is an adequate number, due to the varying degree in which a player may receive a yellow card. I.e. if a player receives a yellow card for repeated referee abuse.

It was proposed a fine be issue to clubs that withdraw teams after the final nomination deadline. e.g. \$100 per team

4. Draft 2017 calendar

A copy of the 2017 calendar was distributed. The competition rounds were highlighted, with emphasis on the first weekend of school holidays. There were a huge amount of late changes and forfeits by clubs, due to being unable to play on the first weekend of the July school holidays.

5. Other business

The RMC (Referees Management Committee) are working on solutions in the offseason to help improve referee coverage in the future.

Club delegates addressed the need of combatting abuse on parks. RTO's are asked to take control of their players and spectators. If not willing to confront offending people on the parks, an incident report should be submitted to the ESFA office.

When is the best time of the year for ESFA to hold a C licence in 2017?
On a night training isn't on, during the season.

Team managers list to be made available in 2017.

Meeting closed at 8:22pm