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MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 30, 2022, at 7:00pm ESFA Office, Ground Floor Unit 5, 19 McCauley St Matraville

MINUTES

Attendance: Nigel Singh, Glen Overton, Matthew Mihaljek, Lisa Thorn, Andrew Field, Adam Gwynne, Bill Kostandas (GM).

The meeting opened at 7:07pm.

05/30.1 APOLOGIES

Nil

05/30.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Acknowledged the traditional owners and custodians of the land – the Bidjigal and Gadigal peoples of the Eora nation.

05/30.3 MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING APRIL 27, 2022 & MATTERS ARISING

Consideration of minutes

The Board considered the minutes of meeting 27 April 2022.

Motion: That the minutes from meeting 27 April 2022 are taken to be a true and correct record.

Moved: Matt Mihaljek

Seconded: Lisa Thorn

Business Arising:

- Compliance submissions – a little behind. More of an update to be provided. Clubs main focus on getting people on the park.

Carried

04/27.4 COMPETITIONS

- Greg provided an update. Presented a document and discussion ensued.
- Draws made to Round 18. And regrades completed.
- Many Metropolitan Associations way behind ESFA re: rescheduling of games.

- Senior games – mostly getting games rescheduled within four days. Clubs talking to one another which has been great.
- 30% games played.
- Seeding for MPL discussed. After 7 completed rounds determine the seedings. Allows for strategizing and playing. Odds play against evens re: seeds.
 - o Motion: Adopt the seedings proposal of odds vs evens for the last 4 rounds.
 - Moved: Glen Overton
 - Seconded: Andrew Field
 - Motion Carried
- Weather a lot more impact on Saturday fixtures.
- MiniRoos 1,074 games scheduled but plenty more to schedule. Club calendar for MiniRoos pushed out by three weeks to get games in.
- State Cup:
 - o Round 2 was to be played on May 29, but FNSW paused the Cup.
 - o 43 teams entered by ESFA. 10 teams yet to play and 9 teams won their round 1 match.
 - o FNSW has asked Associations whether to continue the State Cup. ESFA advocating for its Clubs. Looks like it will be cancelled. Some Associations however do want to continue it.
- June Priorities discussed. Finals, wet weather reschedules, closing of registrations end of June, referee recruitment e.g., Universities. Have asked for people assistance for finals.
- Communicate to Clubs re: ESFA and some Clubs picking up the slack for other Clubs. As part of nominations process, we need to ask/request Clubs if they have mid-week grounds.
- Board thanked the Competitions staff for their great work.
- Next week All Clubs meeting.

05/30.5 MATCH REVIEW

- Referees:
 - o 131 registered referees (up from 2021). Target is 140. Some are still doing courses. 59 referees are 18 years old or younger and 72 are over 18 years.
 - o From 1 April to 30 May. 670 games covered i.e., 86% coverage. 777 competition events.

05/30.6 FOOTBALL

- Coach Education:
 - o Female Coaching Mentor Group. Numbers have grown to active 40 plus females.
 - o Skills Training hosted online in conjunction with Macarthur FA. 32 participants (20 from ESFA).
 - o C-Licence course aiming for October 22.
 - o Proposed to have consistent workshops. This is instead of a full-on course. With workshops if people want to continue their education, then they can progress and do a

course they can. Workshops are for free, but ESFA needs to consider charging participants for doing a course – ensures participants are committed and ESFA needs to cover its costs.

- SAP:
 - o ES Marks is pretty much gone for the season (availability could be early July, but it is dependent on the weather to get works done). Due to delay in construction. Trying to use Matraville Sports High. ES Marks out for a bit of 2023 due to Women's World Cup.
 - o Sydney FC looking at our players. Great link with Sydney FC.
 - o Will be participating in Sydney FC Cup in July.
- Matraville Sports High:
 - o Promotion of their talented sports program.
 - o New synthetic field.
 - o ESFA play games.
- Centre of Excellence:
 - o Minis – 2 days per week.
 - o Sydney FC Skills Training Program. 45 participants. Daceyville location.
 - o Girls Gala Day with Sydney FC a success.
 - o GK sessions. 12 participants.
 - o Looking to run Advanced Holiday Camps.
 - o Coach and Development Council – meeting set for 14 June. One attendee per Club.

05/30.7 GENERAL MANAGER

- Gave an update on the following:
 - o Health
 - o Staff update
 - o Leave update
 - o Attending meetings e.g., Councils.

05/30.8 FINANCIALS

- Discussed.
- BK, MH and NS working through financials.
- Will need to flag ESFA fee increase (CPI). There has been no increase for three years. Also, no GDL for the last two years.
- Registrations have been continuing.
- Clubs payments discussed.
 - o Motion: If any Club moves to 61 days plus outstanding debt, they will not play for any points up to the date they clear their debt, or a separate payment plan is agreed in writing with ESFA. If Clubs move to 61 days plus, then they will have 15 days to pay their outstanding debt. If a Club already has Aged Outstanding Invoices greater than 61

days plus, the ESFA Board has approved a grace period of until close of business 15 June 2022 to clear outstanding debts.

- Moved: Matt Mihaljek
- Seconder: Andrew Field
- Carried
- BK to communicate to Clubs.

05/30.9 BUSINESS

- Ground Bookings 2023. 6 June proposed meeting with Clubs to discuss this strategy.
- State Cup 2022: ESFA has submitted to FNSW that it is in favour of continuing the State Cup and put forward some workable solutions.
- Randwick Council – to be approached for Heffron 46 – international standard grass field. Focus on being female football centre and inclusion football. Heffron 46 is to undergo work on drainage anyway. BK and NS have met with some Councillors. Need to communicate with current users.
- Will speak to Matt Thistlethwaite and Marjorie O’Neill.
- New amenities block at Queens Park.
- Centennial Parklands – new upgrade near Mackay field.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm. Next meeting on July 11, 2022