

**MINUTES OF FOOTBALL STANTHORPE INC. Meeting Held at INTERNATIONAL CLUB STANTHORPE on TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2010.**

**Present:** Cory Wren, Neil Newman Franco Arcidiacono, Phil Moye, Kerry Ryan, Jaye-Marie Messina, John Finocchiaro and Martin Hodgson.

**Apologies:** Vic Pennisi, Clifford Skinner, John Williamson.

**Meeting Started: 7.20pm**

ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION REQUIRED:
1.	<p><b>Welcome</b> Kerry Ryan welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Minutes of previous Meeting:</b> The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted as a true record. It was also moved that members must read the Minutes prior attending the Board Meetings to eliminate time taken at the meeting to read the document. <b>Moved:</b> N. Newman    <b>Seconded:</b> B. Moye    <b>Carried.</b></p>	
3.	<p><b>Business Arising:</b> -Item 13(Workshops and DC Sanctions), Newman stated that Clubs were still waiting for the full version of the DC Decision and Sanctions to be sent out. Kerry Ryan had contacted Football Queensland regarding the Workshops and FQ's Operations Manager is prepared to run the Workshops and wants FS to provide him with dates for the Workshops. United have still not produced any apology letters on letter heads with Club Executive signatures. The Board was concerned about the time line for United to comply with the sanctions. The DC Chairman will investigate the deadlines for the sanctions to be carried out and will inform the Secretary. The attendance for the Workshops was discussed and the Board agreed that it may need to clarify as to the specific attendance required by United once the Workshop dates have been confirmed. <b>Moved:</b> B. Moye    <b>Seconded:</b> N. Newman    <b>Carried.</b></p>	<p>-DC Chairman to clarify the deadline for the sanctions. -Jaye Messina to email United reminding them of the deadlines of the sanctions imposed.</p>
4.	<p><b>Correspondence In:</b> As per list <b>Correspondence Out:</b> As per list <b>Business Arising:</b> -Request from City FC for the assessment of K. Brackin. Director of Coaching is prepared to do an assessment. City FC needs to notify the FS Board of K. Brackin's first game and the DOC will be present to assessment. Parents of K. Brackin need to download all required forms and give their parental permission for their daughter to play. -Heritage Bank informed the Board of the recent activities of our Alliance. -City FC requesting information of the insurance on C.F. White Club house. Senior Football has no insurance on any items stored at the Club house. There will be insurance covered through the lease from the council but the paper work that would be required to make a claim through the council lease may be difficult. FS recommends that City FC take out their own insurance policy to cover their own items stored at C.F. White Club house. -Ballandean and International Newsletters approved but someone with in the club must be responsible for what is placed in the newsletters and to make sure nothing inflammatory is used. -Request for Club contact details to be placed on FS website approved. Clubs are to be informed of the option to place contact details and any information on their club on their provided club page. Club information can be sent to the Secretary to be approved and uploaded. -Suggestions for revision of selection process for Presentation Awards read. -United request for Inter Zone and Inter State Travel Permits approved pending Invitation from Host for Inter State Travel Permit to be provided. -DC Committee received 2009 Yellow and Red Card Information from Ballandean but request previous years information. <b>Moved:</b> J. Messina moved: 'That the inward correspondence is accepted and the outward correspondence be endorsed'. <b>Seconded:</b> C. Wren    <b>Carried.</b></p>	<p>-Jaye Messina to email City FC regarding information of K. Brackin's assessment. -Jaye Messina to inform City FC of the Insurance at C.F. White and the Board recommendations. -Jaye Messina to sent memo to clubs regarding information and contact details to be placed on website. -Jaye Messina to request Host Invitation from Host for Inter State Travel Permit from United. -Jaye Messina to sent DC Committee previous Yellow and Red Card Information for Ballandean.</p>

5.	<p><b>Financial Report:</b> Treasurer's report is attached.</p> <p>-The Treasurer wished to clarify that the profits made by FS last year came from Junior Football and the majority of that profit was sponsorship funding collected by the Junior president.</p> <p>-The Board noted that clubs have the right to request FS Financial Reports but no amounts would be made available to the public via the Minutes of the Meetings.</p> <p>-Junior Football has been unincorporated and a notification with a receipt to the Office of Fair Trading to show that FS has taken over all assets of Junior Football. The Juniors will now have a delegate on the Board.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> Beryl Moyer moved 'That the Treasurer's Report be accepted'</p> <p><b>Seconded:</b> J. Finocchiaro <b>Carried.</b></p>	-Jaye Messina to send Office of Fair Trading documents.
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**General Business:**

1.	<p><b>2010 Draw:</b> Suggestions from clubs as to changes to the draw were considered. The Board was concerned of the lateness of the pre-season round. Football Stanthorpe is losing senior and junior players to other codes since other codes/sports are starting their seasons earlier, their fees are less than Football and they are running clinics and sign ups earlier than FS. Junior Football is not having their AGM until mid February and the organisation of their competition is too late and we are losing players therefore Senior Football needs to set the standard for when FS season should commence and Junior Football will have to abide by those dates. Referees also expressed major problems with supplying referees for a round robin competition for three venues over two weekends. The Pre-season is also necessary to be spread over one round to other oval for the betterment of clubs that rely on Pre-season for fundraising such as International, Ballandean and Tenterfield as they do not benefit financially from the final series. The Board was concerned with Clubs taking the Pre-season too seriously and too concerned with field full sides due to the competitive nature of the Pre-season. Neil Newman expressed that the Board consider making changes to Pre-season to change the nature of the round back to social, friendly, warm up matches. Frank Arcidiacono and Phil Moyer stated that the Board needs to be concerned with getting players registered and playing Football as quick as possible to compete with other codes. Junior colts aren't filtering into A-Grade teams instead they are leaving to play other sports. The Board felt that the Round Robin also invites injury and competitiveness due to this competitive environment and added pressure to win the Pre-season trophy teams are missing out on the opportunity to test players in different positions and test team cohesion. The concern players playing back to back games over two weeks invites injury and players need to be slowly eased into games and fitness. Frank expressed an expert opinion from a technical advisor to the national Russian Football team whom stated that player starting competitions are coming back from holidays and are being thrown into high intensity games and training and that were players get injuries that carry through to the season. Fitness need to be phased in so players can peak at the right time. Statics also show that a lot of players are gaining injuries early in the season and carrying those injuries throughout the season. The Board need to take care of players and focus on more skilled games for the Pre-season round.</p> <p>Pre-season Round definition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-One full round spread over five weekends.</li> <li>-First Pre-season game to start on 13<sup>th</sup> March</li> <li>-No games at International club on 27<sup>th</sup> March due to Rock concert</li> <li>-9-a-side competition with the option to play full sides if both teams competing against each other wish to do so</li> <li>-No slide tackling</li> <li>-30 minute halves with 10 minute half time</li> <li>-Unlimited interchange</li> <li>-Tenterfield games to be played on Sundays during Pre-season and Season proper.</li> <li>-No pre-season trophies to be given out to reduce competitive nature of Round.</li> <li>-Teams that can't make a Pre-season game must contact the Secretary and the</li> </ul>	-Jaye Messina to revise draw and send to Kerry Ryan for approval and then to upload onto the website and email to all clubs.
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	competing club to organise another time and/or to not play that match. <b>Moved:</b> B. Moye <b>Seconded:</b> N. Newman <b>Carried.</b>	
2.	<b>Under 19's State School Boys Championship:</b> Sullivan and Crisp Ovals have been made available. Frank will place articles in the Border Post to advertise event. Rugby League are happy with the event games being played at Sullivan Oval. Discussions with Rugby league about the removal of the posts are still ongoing. May be able to take out one post or both since it is a hard task to remove the posts. Rugby League can only run the Sullivan Oval canteen for one day. Volunteers will need to be rostered up at Sullivan and FS should make a donation to Rugby League for the use of the canteen facilities. International Club and Ballandean have made mention that they are prepared with volunteers to man canteens. Canteen food must comply with school canteen standards and also the quantity of the food will also need to be investigated (inquiry to Gympie to find out). All Coaches are booked in at the Vines Motel and Referees are booked in at the Apple and Grape motel. Bruce Dinsdale will be organising the referees and they may choose not to use local referees but they will probably investigate the local referees so save costs in accommodation etc to bring other referees to the area. Frank will bring out a Weekly, Daily and Monthly schedules as to what needs to be organised leading up to the event. C.F. White and Sullivan Ovals are the game fields and Crisp and Sheanan Ovals are warm up fields.	-Frank Arcidiacono to create schedules for organisation of event.
3.	<b>Storage:</b> The Cricket Association is happy to share the store room. City FC is happy to share the room as well. Junior Football has expressed that there is space down at their club house that FS can access as well.	
4.	<b>Bar Permit:</b> Kerry Ryan updated the Board as to the process of the License. He will be travelling to Toowoomba to sort it out on Thursday since different departments are giving him the run about with forms and whom he needs to contact. City and Carlton have nominated their members with RSA's for C.F. White Oval.	
5.	<b>Registration Drop off point:</b> In previous years Vince Catanzaro has done a very professional job as the drop off point for Registration. A letter needs to be sent to Vince to see if he would accept the registrations being dropped off at his placed of business. Club also need to be informed as to the drop off point and the deadline of registrations. Deadline for registration is set at 5pm on Fridays. Any registrations that are not in the hands of the Secretary before 5pm will be deem a late registration.	-Jaye Messina to send request letter to Vince Catanzaro and an email to clubs informing them of the drop off point.
6.	<b>Costs for Printing Team sheet and Referee Books:</b> Teams will be invoiced now that FS have received the invoice. Clubs can collect Team sheets books from the Secretary.	-Beryl to invoice clubs for the books.
7.	<b>Junior Football:</b> Junior Football AGM Meeting is Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> February therefore there is no draw or starting date for Junior Football. The Board expressed their disappointment in the Junior Committee's lateness regarding competition management and that there may need to be a set starting date that they have to comply with. The Board acknowledged the decline in Junior Football numbers over the years due to the lateness of competition. The Junior players may need to trial playing up Club colours to ease the juniors into affiliating with clubs since Football Queensland is pushing for clubs to have junior ranks. Junior Football needs to be directed by Football Stanthorpe.	
8.	<b>President's Meeting:</b> Attendees of the President's Meeting wanted to change the name of the Meeting to Delegates meeting as per the constitution. In the constitution there is no official standing for the Presidents Meetings. The President's Meeting is called by the Board as a forum to disseminate information directly to the Club Presidents. If the name changes FS run the risk of clubs not sending a representative since it has taken authority out of the title, when the purpose is to get information to President's of clubs or someone in authority. The title of the President Meeting will not change. The President Meetings were created out of feedback that information wasn't getting to clubs or to members of clubs that were responsible enough to pass on the information. President meetings are currently the best way to disseminate information and obtain feedback clubs. Carlton's non-attendance was discussed and their absent must incur a fine since it was a very	-Jaye Messina to send letter to Carlton United FC for fine for non-attendance at the President's Meeting. -Beryl Moye to invoice the Carlton United FC.

	<p>important meeting with the pre-season package being distributed and the draw and other items being discussed.</p> <p>Carlton United FC will be fined as per the by-laws of \$50.00 for non-attendance</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> F. Arcidiacono <b>Seconded:</b> M. Hodgson <b>Carried.</b></p>	
9.	<p><b>Match Balls:</b> Last year's Match balls cannot be used for this year. New Match Balls are to be order. Last year the cost of the Grand Final Match Balls was passed onto clubs. Gorilla to be used as the supplier for Match Balls. Secretary to order 25 Match balls that are priced around \$60 and must be FIFA Approved or have a Football Queensland logo. There will be no mark up on Match Balls this year and FS will pay for the Grand Final Match Balls.</p>	-Jaye Messina to order Match Balls.
10.	<p><b>Revision of Selection Criteria:</b> Kerry Ryan asked the Board how members felt about the current process. Frank Arcidiacono clarified what the current process is for selecting individuals and he maintains that there isn't anything wrong with the selection process. Referees should still have their own award but their influence/input in the other trophies does follow. Referees don't necessarily have the expertise from a coaching point of view to be able to have input into the trophy selection process. During a game Referee too busy with controlling the game and aren't making mental notices on the technique qualities or tactical abilities of individual players. Coaches know their own players and if the player had done their job and played well. The selection process must stay with the coaches for it be continue to be accurate. Trophies can be split and given to two players if both players deserve award. Selection Criteria will be placed on the website to be transparent. Referees are unhappy with one trophy and may change this at their next meeting. Representative Team certificates given to players on Presentation night will now contain the position the player would have played in the representative team.</p>	-Jaye to upload Selection Criteria online.
11.	<p><b>Pre-season Fees:</b> Referees pre-season fees are acceptable.</p> <p>Football Stanthorpe will pay for all field maintenance and marking of all fields during pre-season round.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> M. Hodgson <b>Seconded:</b> N. Newman <b>Defeated.</b></p> <p>Football Stanthorpe will pay for one tin of white line-marking paint for Ballandean, Tenterfield and International Club.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> M. Hodgson <b>Seconded:</b> N. Newman <b>Carried.</b></p>	
12.	<p><b>Standing Committee Meeting:</b> At the President's Meeting, attendees asked if Standing Committee Members and converse via email and telephone and call a Meeting if they are there is necessary issues to discuss. The Board discussed that there will be no record or evident of the Meeting and it's the attendees' responsibility to note discussion points to bring up at the meeting. Also the Standing Committee Meetings procedures are set by Football Queensland and it isn't in the power of the Board to change these Meetings. Members can only send emails to place issues for discussion on the Meeting Agenda. If member could discuss thing via email there will be no push to get issues raised from grass roots level and to get things done. These meetings are designed for Management to get more in touch with club and competition issues and to get suggests. The Board may need to set agendas for Standing Committee Meeting with issues brought up from clubs. Standing Committee Meeting still must be held and members need to get in touch with the clubs and their members to get issues placed on the agenda for Standing Committee members to discuss to bring suggest to the Board.</p>	
13.	<p><b>Overseas Players played by United:</b> Frank Arcidiacono discussed the Overseas players that played for United last year in the Grand Final. United assure the Board that their Overseas players had signed Statutory Declaration and that it was sent to Football Queensland. There has been no sign of the Statutory Declaration sent to South West Queensland or Football Queensland and that United need to prove that the Statutory Declaration were sent and if they weren't the Board needs to address this issue. The absent of evidence is no evidence and in the sport industry if a club cannot prove that they sent the relevant documents then we can assume they weren't sent and since United have not kept copies they have left themselves in a</p>	

	<p>awkward situation. The Board felt for the great good of the competition and not to waste resources and personnel chasing this issue it would be best not to pursue. The Board was informed that United and the JP that signed the documents had no doubt in their minds that the documents were filled out and sent off.</p> <p>The Board will not pursue this issue and that for future reference clubs must keep copies of Statutory Declarations and any issues raised again regarding this it will be on the onus of the clubs to produce signed copies.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> B. Moye    <b>Seconded:</b> N. Newman    <b>Carried.</b></p>	
14.	<p><b>DC Chairman Position:</b> Phil Moye position as the Disciplinary Committee Chairman for 2010 be endorsed.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> F. Arcidiacono    <b>Seconded:</b> N. Newman    <b>Carried.</b></p> <p>Frank Arcidiacono expressed the Board's need for experience, knowledge and accumulated history of Football Stanthorpe to be able to have informed debates. Phil Moye, Vic Pennisi and John Finocchiaro expertise, view points for many angles and a long history of association and this is essential to the quality of the Boards decisions and discussion.</p> <p>Phil Moye, Vic Pennisi and John Finocchiaro are to be invited to all Football Stanthorpe future Board Meetings as members that bring expertise to the Board. Jaye Messina raised the issue of the Board running the risk of tainting the Disciplinary Committee decisions with the attendance of Phil Moye to the Board Meetings since other sports and other association generally keep a degree of separation between DC Committees and management. The Board felt that this would not pose a problem or become an issue in the future.</p> <p><b>Moved:</b> F. Arcidiacono    <b>Seconded:</b> C. Wren    <b>Carried.</b></p> <p>Frank Arcidiacono announced that he has declined Stanthorpe Carlton United's offered to coach teams this year. Frank will fulfil his role as the Director of Coaching and he is open to visiting clubs and leading support. Frank was informed of Glen Bowman's from SWQ wishes to do training and support Stanthorpe Club Coaches.</p>	
15.	<p><b>FFA Facilities Audit:</b> Jaye Messina raised the question if the Board had completed the FFA Facilities Audit since South West Queensland is chasing up clubs to complete this online survey to gain access to grass roots funding for Football Federation Australia. Neil Newman remembers that it might have been completed back in September. The Board felt that contacting the past Secretary to find out if it needed to be completed.</p>	-Jaye Messina to contact past Secretary.
16.	<p><b>Youth Development Program:</b> Jaye Messina informed the Board that South West Queensland would like to implement the Youth Development Program in Stanthorpe. Kerry Ryan mentioned the only down side is that the Youth participating would have to pay for the Program. Program needs to be promoted through Junior Football and Kerry Ryan will take the information to the Junior Football Meeting next week.</p>	-Kerry Ryan to take YDP to Junior Football Meeting.
17.	<p><b>Managers List for pre game checks:</b> Last year it was the responsibility of the Referees to do pre- game checks of all player equipment and jewellery. This year the Referees would like Team Managers to take responsibility and ensure that they have checked their team players before the commencement of the game. To help Team Managers with this process Martin Hodgson will create a check list for them to refer to when checking. Team Managers are to inform players that they cannot take the field if they have any piercing remaining on their body including belly-button piercing. If a player chooses to take the field with piercing and does not inform the Team Manager, the player will be held accountable for any injury that has occurred either to themselves or another player as a result of their piercing. Skins are also restricted to remaining unseen under shorts, if the skins are to slightly show they need to be the same colour as the shorts and full length skins are prohibited. Clubs on their home ground will also be responsible for the standard of goal posts and netting. Referees must check the netting for adequacy but it is the clubs' responsibility to fix any issues.</p>	-Martin Hodgson to create Team Manager

<b>MENS REPORT</b>	N/A	
<b>COACHES REPORT</b>	N/A	
<b>JUNIOR REPORT</b>	N/A	
<b>LADIES REPORT</b>	N/A	
<b>COLTS REPORT</b>	N/A	

**Meeting closed: 10.15pm**

**Next Meeting: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2010**

These, I believe to be a true and accurate reflection of the minutes of the above meeting.

Prepared by:

Accepted by:

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Jaye-Marie Messina  
Secretary

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Kerry Ryan  
President

Dated: