

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF FOOTBALL STANTHORPE INC. Meeting Held at JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUBHOUSE, STANTHORPE on MONDAY 8TH MARCH, 2010.

Present: Neil Newman, John Finocchiaro, Cory Wren, John Williamson, Raymond Mattiazzi, Martin Hodgson, Beryl Moye, Franco Arcidiacono, Jaye-Marie Messina.

Apologies: Nil

Meeting Started: 7.10pm

| ITEM | DETAILS | ACTION REQUIRED: |
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| 1. | Welcome Neil Newman welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that a special meeting was called due to the resignation of several key positions on the Board. Which includes: FS Chairman, Director of Coaching and Disciplinary Committee Chairman | |
| 2. | Minutes of previous Meeting: There were no previous meeting minutes available. | |
| 3. | Business Arising: Nil. | |
| 4. | Correspondence In: N/A Correspondence Out: N/A Business Arising: Nil. | |
| 5. | Financial Report: N/A. | |

General Business:

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| 1. | <p>Resignations: Frank Arcidiacono told the Board that he had contacted Football Queensland regarding Football Stanthorpe situation and how to proceed. Martin Hodgson asked if the proper channels were used ie Football SWQ had be contacted regarding this. Frank informed Martin and the Board that South West Queensland had been informed via Football Queensland. Jaye Messina also contacted SWQ informing them of the resignations. Frank also informed the Board that Football Queensland was aware of Kerry Ryan’s resignation from the Board before the majority of the Board members knew he had resigned. Community members are contacting Football Queensland directly and no seeking the proper channels. The letter from Football Queensland was read. Frank Arcidiacono asked the Board for permission for the Secretary to send on a copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting to Football Queensland.</p> <p>Moved: Frank Arcidiacono Seconded: Martin Hodgson Carried. The resignation emails were read from Kerry Ryan and Phil Moye. Martin Hodgson felt that the last meeting was a conversation between four people since the Board had not been informed of the sanctions and the Board still has not received a copy of the sanctions. Beryl Moye mentioned that the sanctions were sent to the Board via the Secretary back in November 2009. Martin proposed a vote of confidence and would like to ask Kerry and Phil to reconsider their resignations. Ray Mattiazzi agreed but said he still doesn’t have enough information about the sanctions and workshops. The Board discussed the workshop and that it would be open to everyone in the football family. The workshop had an education role in the sanction and it was a mistake to exclude people. Cory Wren and John Finocchiaro supported the vote of confidence and letters for Kerry and Phil to reconsider their resignations. Frank Arcidiacono felt that Kerry and Phil are indispensable to the Board. Beryl Moye stated that Kerry may have felt that he was alone in all this and we should inform him that we are here to help and take on some responsibility. The Board was informed that Vic Pennisi did not attend this Special Meeting since</p> | <p>-DC Chairman to sent sanctions to the Secretary and informing of whom is to receive a copy.</p> <p>-Secretary to email United asking for the progress on their Club code of conduct.</p> |
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| | <p>there is a conflict of interest with Football Queensland. Football Queensland has offered to send someone down to lecture at the administrative roles seminar which will inform people of their administrative roles so that it does not jeopardise Vic's role at Football Queensland. It was mentioned that the roles of Board Members can be found in the constitution and by-laws.</p> <p>It was moved that the Board should express our confidence in Phil Moye as Disciplinary Committee Chairman and Kerry Ryan as Football Stanthorpe's Chairman and that they reconsider their resignations. In the best interest of Football Stanthorpe the Board would like Phil and Kerry to reconsider given they bring invaluable skills and knowledge to the Board.</p> <p>Moved: Martin Hodgson Seconded: John Finocchiaro Carried.</p> <p>After considerable discussion, it was unanimously agreed that letters be sent to Phil and Kerry expressing our confidence in them.</p> <p>John Finocchiaro asked if both men do not reconsider then will the Board hold an Special AGM and what time limit will the Board give both men to reconsider. The Board agreed that a reply to the expression of confidence should be by next Wednesday 17th March. Neil Newman will make a follow up phone call for Phil and Kerry after the 17th and discuss with Phil and Kerry the support of the Board in their roles.</p> | |
| 2. | <p>Board Induction Seminar: As soon as all Board positions are finalised, a Board Induction Seminar will be organised for current Board Members and also annually for future Board Members. The Board recognised that roles and position have changed dramatically since years ago and there are now different processes that need to be clarified. Frank Arcidiacono can see an issue with people coming on the Board and still think they are representing individual clubs instead of representing the best interest of Football Stanthorpe and all clubs. It was discussed that the Induction Seminar will inform people of the roles and responsibilities of becoming a Board member and will eliminate this issue Frank addressed.</p> <p>A request for a presenter for the Seminar will need to be directed via South West Queensland to Football Queensland. Martin Hodgson wished to raise a few points from the Football Queensland letter. He recalled from the last minutes that the Board was going to re-do the last Workshop and have it organised by a panel of people. In the Football Queensland letter, that was read, stated that there was no need to re-do the Workshop, the Disciplinary Committee must be independent and therefore Phil should not be on the Board and the sanction regarding the invitation for all clubs to attend Workshop and requesting the apology letters be sent to the DC Chairman for approval was inappropriate. These sanctions were inappropriate since it the invitation to all club confused an education role with a sanction purpose and that the DC Committee only makes recommendation to the Board and matter lies solely with the Board.</p> <p>The Board discussed the Football Queensland recommendation that the Workshop is satisfactory and that there is no need for another Workshop to be organised and felt that the extra workshop was to satisfy the sanction and correct the mistake of not inviting other members. The last workshop was not run properly due to questions raised at the end of the workshop since there was no control over the questions. Ray Mattiazzi asked if Football Queensland have a mediator to come down and help resolve this issue. Frank Arcidiacono explained that the Member Protection Officer would usually perform this role but it would be unlikely that he/she would come down to Stanthorpe to help due to time restrictions.</p> <p>Frank also requested that the transcripts of the Workshop to be made available to all Board members. The Board felt that an independent contractor should be employed to transcribe the notes and recording from the Workshop.</p> <p>A letter to ask our nominated Solicitor to transcribe the Code of Conduct workshop tape and to be paid accordingly.</p> <p>Moved: Frank Arcidiacono Seconded: Ray Mattiazzi Carried.</p> <p>Neil Newman expressed that the Board needed to deal with the issue of community members informing Football Queensland of Stanthorpe matters.</p> | |

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| | <p>A letter to South West Queensland requesting an explanation regarding the correspondence between Stanthorpe community members and Football Queensland and why Football Queensland members are not directing correspondence through the correct channels.</p> <p>Moved: Neil Newman Seconded: John Finocchiaro Carried.</p> <p>Martin also raised that in the Football Queensland letter it was recommended that the DC Chairman (Phil Moye) and Council Representative (Vic Pennisi) not attend Football Stanthorpe Board Meetings.</p> <p>The issue is a conflict of interest with their position and attending meetings. Football Queensland board members are not allowed to attend other Football Board meetings without permission of Football Queensland and they will address Vic Pennisi directly about this issue and clarify with him his limitations.</p> <p>The Disciplinary Committee Chairman and Council Representative positions are not to attend FS Board Meetings but can be asked for advice and information outside of meeting times in line with the recommendations made by Denise O'Brien Chairman of Football Stanthorpe emailed on 8th March 2010.</p> <p>Moved: John Williamson Seconded: Cory Wren Carried.</p> | |
| 3. | <p>Director of Coaching Resignation: Frank Arcidiacono expressed his several reasons for resigning from the Director of Coaching position. His major concern was that his expertise in coaching and other matters utilised. Frank wants to help the community but can do it without being in the DOC position.</p> <p>Ray Mattiazzi wanted Frank to know that the Junior Footballers, coaches and parents very much appreciated his help last year and wish for him to continue assisting in the development of Stanthorpe Juniors Footballers. Ray offered Frank monetary compensation for his expertise. Frank rejected the offer since he is readily giving his knowledge and experience away for free.</p> <p>Frank will not reconsider his resignation for the Director of Coaching but is happy to help any clubs or coaches that want help.</p> <p>The Junior Coaching Course needs to be requested from South West Queensland.</p> | |

Meeting closed: 9.25pm

Next Meeting: Monday 12th April, 2010

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

Prepared by:

Accepted by:

Jaye-Marie Messina
Secretary

Neil Newman
Vice President

Dated: