

EASTERN REGION JUNIOR SOCCER ASSOCIATION

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

18 May 2010

Opening:

The meeting of the Eastern Region Junior Soccer Association General Committee was called to order at 1935hrs on 18/5/2010 in the Cambridge Memorial Oval Clubrooms by Stuart Allan.

Present:

Stuart Allan, Barry Hardwick (Items A to D), Daniel Boddy, Jason Grandfield, Brad Try, Antony Appleby, Andrew Hickman, Brett Clark, Adrian McMullen, Nick Roberts, Craig Westwood, Jake Undy, Lee Peterson.

Apologies:

Tim Donnelly, Michelle Castle.

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous General Committee meeting were submitted for approval.

Proposed: Andrew Hickman

Seconded: Brad Try

Approved

C. Correspondence

Copies of official correspondence in and out were tabled for noting and/or discussion:

- In: from FFT by email, re scheduling of a presentation of information about the "Play by the Rules" website (by a representative of Sport and Rec Tas) at the June meeting. Noted.
- In: from FFT by email, re the North West Cup. It was noted that U10 programs had been scaled back nationwide to focus more on player inclusion and retention.
- In: from Melissa Coad by email, re rules inconsistencies. Refer point 2 of 2010 Season below.
- In: from Beth Donnelly by email, re U9 games times. Refer point 2 of 2010 Season below.
- In: from Brett Clark by email, re Lindisfarne game queries. Refer point 5 of 2010 Season below.
- In: from FFT by email, re update on development programs/State Teams and request for coach contact details. It was agreed that Jake Undy would supply details of coaches once he had gathered them from clubs.
- In: from Clarence Council by mail, re Draft Community Participation Policy. It was agreed that Jason Grandfield would review the Policy and provide any appropriate feedback.
- In: from Clarence Council by mail, re booking confirmation – 2010 winter season. Noted.

- Exchanged: between Alistair Russell and Stuart Allan, re U9 pitch sizes and number of players. A verbal outline from Stuart Allan was noted, and the need for enforcing the FFA rules was agreed. Refer also point 2 of 2010 Season below.

D. Open Issues

* Treasurer's Report. The April 2010 statements, Treasurers Report and payments ratification list were put forward for approval.

Proposed: Andrew Hickman

Seconded: Lee Peterson

Approved

It was noted that a cash management account and electronic banking system were almost set up.

* 2010 Season. It was noted that: -

- While the grounds at Rokeby were good, the line markings at Rokeby High were poorly done. U10 games could probably remain at this venue, but it was possible that U12 games might need to be moved to 11:00 at Wentworth Park. It was agreed that Roxy McIntyre should talk to the principal of Rokeby High and report back to Stuart Allan.
- There were a couple of errors in the ERJSA Information Booklet (e.g. U9 games 20 mins not 15 mins, clarification/expansion of goalie rules needed), and the FFA material should override the booklet in case of inconsistencies. An FFT officer had also been insisting on rules changes away from the FFA materials, whilst attending games on Saturday mornings. It was agreed that any rules changes needed to be requested in writing for consideration by the Committee, otherwise ERJSA would stay with the FFA material (Stuart Allan to contact Leila Freke at FFT). The blue pamphlets and ref guides from FFA should continue to be distributed as widely as possible.
- Clarence City Council needed to know exactly which grounds were being used in the girls' roster. Also, parking would be easier if the coffee vendor did not lock the gates at Edgeworth after the mixed roster games had finished.
- Sparkler wires had recently been found driven into the ground at Wentworth Park. It was agreed that Jason Grandfield should circulate an email to clubs to remind coaches to conduct grounds checks prior to the early games on each pitch.
- With respect to the queries from Lindisfarne: (a) coaches should use their discretion in attempting to discretely avoid blowouts; (b) no changes were planned for the U8 roster; (c) no divisions/gradings were to be implemented this year; and (d) it was not known why FAA changed the ball size for U9.

* ERJSA Information Booklet 2010. It was noted that the booklets had been printed and were being distributed. In addition to the minor rules errors noted in the 2010 Season item above, ground cancellations would only be broadcast on HO FM (and not TTT/Sea FM). For next year, it was suggested that better and timelier feedback would be required.

* Director of Coaching (DoC). Jake Undy was congratulated on being appointed as the new ERJSA DoC. Jake was arranging school holiday clinics on the 3rd and 9th of

June, and distributed printed flyers to club delegates. It was agreed that Jason Grandfield should circulate electronic copies of the flyer on the ERJSA website and in an email (also to include a request for more coaches/helpers).

* Regional Program. It was noted that: -

- Team selections were nearly done, and many people had expressed satisfaction with the fairness of the selection process.
- The U10 program would commence after the school holidays, and the U9 program at the end of June.
- The regional rosters should be available during the following week.
- Players cannot be registered in 2 different regions, so some parents would need to make a choice between their child playing for a school team on the western shore or playing for the ERJSA regional team.
- Trials for an additional U11 girls' team would be held on the coming Sunday (23rd May, 1-3pm, Cambridge). It was agreed that Jason Grandfield should issue an email to clubs.

* FFT/JSC. It was noted that another Grassroots coaching course for the Eastern shore had been scheduled for the first week after the holidays, probably at Cambridge.

* FFA. It was noted that all players had to be registered by 30/6/10, in time for the national census.

* Club & Regional strips. It was noted that the Emmanuel photo had been replaced with one that did not show a child.

E. New Business

* Watches. It was agreed that Jason Grandfield should circulate a reminder that players should not wear watches or any other jewellery whilst playing.

* Viking Futsal. It was noted that a team had been selected for a Queensland trip and that the organisers had said that futsal training should take precedence over regional training.

* Risdon Vale. It was agreed that Daniel Boddy should contact Clarence City Council in respect of a hole in Ground 2 at Risdon Vale.

* Bumper Stickers. It was agreed that Stuart Allan would circulate the price of bumper stickers to the Executive Committee. It was noted that a competition might be held to decide the slogan to put on the stickers.

* Edgeworth Coffee Van. It was noted that the 'golf ball' coffee vendor had been ejected from the ground by police about 2 weeks previously. Another vendor had already been granted access to the site for 2010. It was agreed that Jason Grandfield should circulate an email requesting clubs to tell parents not to use the 'golf ball'

vendor if he parked on the street nearby, and also to invite expressions of interest to sell food (not drinks) for fundraising.

* Clubroom Bar. It was noted that the Cambridge Memorial Oval Clubroom bar might be available for appropriate use by adults affiliated with the region.

F. Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 2145hrs by Stuart Allan. The next General Committee meeting was scheduled for 1930hrs on 21/6/2010 at the Cambridge Memorial Oval Clubrooms.

Minutes submitted by:

Jason Grandfield