

EASTERN REGION JUNIOR SOCCER ASSOCIATION

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

18 October 2010

Opening:

The meeting of the Eastern Region Junior Soccer Association General Committee was called to order at 1935hrs on 18/10/2010 in the Cambridge Hall by Stuart Allan.

Present:

Stuart Allan, Barry Hardwick, Jason Grandfield, Jake Undy, Adrian McMullen, Brad Try, Malcolm Tolputt, Matthew Vaughan-Williams, Anthony Alexander.

Apologies:

Nil.

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: Adrian McMullen

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 Hobart Cup. Noted.
- In: from Bellerive JSC by email, re committee changes. Noted.
- In: from FFT by email, re Australian Football Awards. Noted.
- In: from Jerry de Gryse by email, re Kangaroo Bay development. Noted.
- In: from FFT by email, re Junior Standing Committee minutes. Refer FFT/JSC item below.
- In: from Clarence City Council by mail, re junior sports groups ground hire rebate. Noted.
- In: from Clarence City Council by mail, re schedule of fees 2010/11. Noted.

D. Open Issues

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

Proposed: Brad Try

Seconded: Malcolm Tolputt

Approved

The September 2010 Treasurers Report and payments ratification list were put forward for approval. It was noted that the monthly statements did not yet balance. It was agreed that Stuart Allan should follow up with FFT whether the full Hobart Cup fees should be payable, given that the Sunday had been cancelled and no medallions presented. Approval would be given for payment up to the \$900 shown.

Proposed: Adrian McMullen

Seconded: Brad Try

Approved

It was noted that Barry Hardwick had not received any prior notice in relation to over \$600 of the Pumpkin Prints invoices, and executive ratification had not been obtained as per the standard process. Spending and receipting in relation to the U9/U10 programs had not been coordinated well. It was agreed that a reminder about the proper processes should be issued at the next meeting.

It was further noted that the Office software on the Treasurer's laptop was not Microsoft-approved. In order to avoid any operating or legal issues, it was agreed that the software should be replaced after the new committee came in at the AGM.

* 2010 Season. It was noted that: -

- 'Ground Managers' to enforce SSG rules might be supplied by clubs as part of their regional contribution.
- Continuation of the Rokeby/Emmanuel arrangements next year would need approval from the new committee (post-AGM). Further development of the high school ground was planned.

* Director of Coaching (DoC). It was noted that: -

- The school holiday clinic had been well attended by both coaches (including State team players and Anthony Alexander) and kids, but the afternoon session had to be cancelled due to the weather.
- Roxanne McIntyre and Jake Undy (DoC) wished to run a community program in Rokeby. It was agreed that a (dot point) proposal should be put to ERJSA, and that the hours remaining on the DoC budget/plan should be considered.
- Interest in a team/teams from Orford/Sorell/Triabunna should be gauged.
- There seemed to be little interest in advanced coaching programs/courses. Higher qualifications should be taken into account when assessing applicants for Regional Program coaches.
- Daniel Boddy and Andrew Hennessy would be preparing an appraisal of Jake's performance in 2010. Jake was currently preparing his report on the year.

* Regional Program. It was noted that the U11 boys had done well in Launceston, and that about 15 boys and 15 girls had been invited to State trials.

* Club & Regional strips. It was noted that Lauderdale remained the only club to yet provide photos of its uniform for the website.

* FFT/JSC. Minutes of the JSC meeting held on 25/8/10 were noted. It was further noted that Stuart Allan would attend the next JSC meeting to discuss the number of U11 players on ground v size of the grounds; as well as State-wide consistency of rules, grounds, etc.

* FFA. Nil.

* Honour Board. It was noted that: -

- Only one of the three life memberships approved at the last meeting had been awarded at the Vic Tuting function. The medallions were being made, but the logo file received was too small/not detailed enough.
- The Honour Board should now be updated by a sign writer or trophy house.
- Criteria for life membership should be set down in the Constitution.

- Bills should be expected shortly for the award night, medallions and Honour Board updates.
- Medallions should also be presented to existing life members. Ideas for presenting these medallions should be discussed at the next meeting.

* Edgeworth Park 'Home Ground'. It was noted that Roxanne McIntyre and another person ('John') would be putting a proposal together for Council.

E. New Business

* AGM Date. It was noted that the AGM should be advertised in the newspaper at least two weeks in advance, and the financial accounts needed to be audited. It was agreed that the AGM should tentatively be scheduled for the week commencing 22/11/10.

* FFT DoC – Introduction & Update. Anthony Alexander attended the meeting to touch base and discuss various issues. It was noted that: -

- FFT was looking to drive more coach education, not just through the basic Grassroots and Junior Licence courses but also with more advanced/specialist courses coming up (Youth, Goalkeeping...). Courses were generally in a 'part 1, part 2, assessment/licence' format. Anthony would work with Jake Undy to map out the 2011 program. Possibly Jake could be trained to run Grassroots courses himself. If Anthony were also to mentor U11/U12 Regional coaches, perhaps some of the skills/enthusiasm might filter back to clubs.
- One of the aims of the State teams was to teach the 1-4-3-3 structure as early as possible. Southern trials were being held on the coming weekend, at the Uni rugby ground (for boys at least). An initial pool of 40 players would be whittled down to 16 over the next few months, in time for the nationals. Unsuccessful players would be directed to regional teams/programs.
- Lists of youth/senior clubs could be circulated via schools or perhaps posted to U12 players. There were no formal feeder relationships/agreements in place, but many Nelson and Clarence United players came from ERJSA. It was felt that perhaps extending ERJSA to U13 might slightly reduce the number of changes that kids in this age group had to cope with as they changed to high school. Most senior clubs were not seen as being very active re U13s. Administrative (e.g. incentives for volunteers) and structural (e.g. regional v club based) issues would have to be worked out, and perhaps Anthony or Stuart Allan could raise the issue at the November JSC meeting.
- No changes were expected with SSG rules next year, and they should be made available/reminders issued earlier.
- The Committee thanked Anthony and Leila Freke for their work this year.

* Promotions. It was noted that having a stand at the show would be more at the level of an FFT promotion.

F. Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 2155hrs by Stuart Allan. The Annual General Meeting was tentatively scheduled for the week commencing 22/11/2010 at the Cambridge Hall.

Minutes submitted by:

Jason Grandfield