



# N.D.S.F.A. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE OF MEETING:** 12<sup>th</sup> April 2011

**CHAIR:** J. Churchward - President

**ATTENDEES:** J. Churchward, P. Budd, F. Refalo, J. Bradley, R. Bray, R. Horne, R. Phillips,  
L. Cerone (Non Voting Staff Member/Minute taker)

**APOLOGIES:** J. Rankine, B. Cole

	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action/Outcome</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Minutes of Prev. Meeting</b>	MC 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2011 Received and adopted.
<b>2</b>	<b>Business Arising if any</b>	All matters marked for attention at 29Mar11 meeting have been attended to.
<b>3</b>	<b>Correspondence Report</b>	<p>R11-038 – Hazelbrook seeking withdrawal of fine for withdrawal of AA/2. Resolved – the board considered the request, however, they can find no valid reason to vary the existing by-law, therefore the fine will stand. It should be understood that the fine does not emanate from a board decision as indicated by the club, by has it’s foundation in our by-laws.</p> <p>R11-040 – Wollemi – inquiry on player suspension. Matter to be referred back to the judiciary seeking clarification on whether the suspension carries over to coaching or not. If it does, the only suggestion that the MC can make to the club is that they ask to appear before the Judiciary to have the sentence varied to a “time duration” sentence and not a match suspension.</p> <p>R11-041 – Colo U22L upgrading – seeking clarification on whether or not the team may upgrade without limit into AAL competitions due to the fact that they were entered as an U18G team. Resolved: Whilst we recognize that the team was originally entered as an U18G team, the association did not form an U18G competition and therefore the by-laws relating to upgrades for U16-U18 teams do not apply. There shall be no unlimited upgrading of players playing in the U22L regardless of whether they were originally entered as an U18G side.</p> <p>R11-042 – Springwood seeking permission for a girl playing in U14 Boys to also be able to upgrade to U15 &amp; U16 Boys grades. Resolved: If the parents and the club are willing to support the player in writing (original correspondence from both parties, forwarded to our office, not emails between parent &amp; club) declaring that she is suitably competent to play as an upgraded player to U15 &amp; U16, the association will allow the player to upgrade for season 2011 only.</p>

4	<b>Accounts for Payment &amp; Adoption of Financial Reports</b>	Accounts for payment as presented for both NDSFA & NFC were approved for payment.
5	<b>Operations Manager's Report - Verbal</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Positions Vacant <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 3 applicants will be interviewed for Data Entry Clerk position.</li> <li>b. No other applications received for any other position</li> <li>c. Cook Park attendant position now filled and in place.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Cook Park Keys Update <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Extra keys have been requested of council</li> <li>b. Metro League keys will be assigned to</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Server Update <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Installation of new server went very well.</li> </ol> </li> <li>4. Cook Park Equipment <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Equipment needs to be purchased to assist the Grounds person with the upkeep and repairs of Cook Park. Operations Manager has been authorised to make arrangements to purchase the equipment required.</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. Purchases in general <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Association debit card to be purchased for transactions that may only be done online such as domain name reregistration and other purchases. The Operations Manager will be authorised to make any necessary purchases on the card.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
6	<b>Suggestion for strategic planning forum for next 3-5 year plan</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A review of the associations 3-5 year plan is necessary in order to move the achieved goals off the existing plan, create new goals and address the need to review or refresh goals not yet reached.</li> <li>2. Theme of the session is to address the future plans of the Association over the next 3-5 years.</li> <li>3. Agenda to be formulated at the next meeting.</li> <li>4. Invitation will be issued to interested clubs, board &amp; staff members.</li> </ol>
7	<b>Making clubs more responsible for lack of control on sidelines</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A board member noted that following the publication of Round 1 Judiciary report, there appeared to be a disproportionately high incident of poor behaviour from the side line supporters. Suggests that perhaps team marshals are not fully aware of their duties and/or are not seeking the assistance of club ground officials in removing offenders from the sidelines. It was suggested that if clubs act swiftly before poor behaviour escalates from verbal to physical some incidents may be averted.</li> <li>2. Club committees must take responsibility for the control of behaviour at their fields by enlisting the help of team marshals and/or by ejecting perpetrators of unacceptable behaviour on our sidelines.</li> <li>3. Posters or correspondence promoting zero tolerance of poor behaviour on the sidelines was suggested.</li> </ol>

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. The model of match commissioners was discussed.</li> <li>5. The board will develop a document for final approval by the next meeting.</li> </ol>
<b>8</b>	<b>Nepean FC/Cook Park Staffing &amp; Management Issues -</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cook Park staffing remains unresolved completely. The Girls YL &amp; WSL have made tremendous efforts and are all sorted out. The Boys YL are almost on board now too. The Men's State League teams are not so co-operative or forthcoming with volunteers.</li> <li>2. Positions vacant ad for canteen manager to go into local papers. No direct applications have been received to date, however, we have received an expression of interest from a relative of a member of staff. It was decided that in the interim between the ad going in papers and a suitable applicant being found, the expression of interest person will be offered a trial run if they are still interested.</li> </ol>
<b>9</b>	<b>General Business</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Benefit being held on 21<sup>st</sup> May at Springwood Sports Club for Richie Voris, son of Ex-Chairman of Springwood Sports Club. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The benefit is seeking donations either in cash to the cause or goods for fundraising.</li> <li>b. Motion: That the Association donates \$500 to the fundraising efforts for Richie Voris. Moved &amp; Seconded. Motion carried. J. Churchward to obtain details.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Motion: To extend meeting by 15minutes to 11pm. Carried.</li> <li>3. In relation to U18.3 competition. There is a team within that competition, it was observed, that is being convincingly and significantly beat the past two rounds. There was a discussion on possible solutions to assist the club/team. No action will be implemented until such time as a request is received from the club concerned.</li> </ol>
<b>10</b>		Meeting closed 11.05pm