

# BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

## APRIL 2019

### INTRODUCTION

This summary provides information relating to the Capital Football Board meeting held on 24 April 2019, and contains all resolutions made by the Directors.

The summary excludes information that is commercial in confidence, is sensitive in nature or is restricted due to privacy. Standing agenda items including the finance report, Chair's report and CEO's report may contain such information. Where information discussed under those agenda items can be shared, it will appear under the sub headings, aligned to the strategic pillar to which it is most relevant.

### Attendees

Fran Sankey, Angelo Konstantinou, Garth Morrison, Richard Naumovski, Grace Gill, Gary Vandeburgt, Phil Brown, *Megan Salic (for the finance report only)*.

### GOVERNANCE – “LEADING FOR UNITY OF PURPOSE”

#### Election of Chair

In accordance with article 10.10 of the Constitution the elected Directors may elect one of their number to the office of Chair of directors.

The person elected to the office of Chair of directors under article 10.10(a) will remain Chair until the next annual general meeting.

A poll was conducted with Fran Sankey receiving more votes.

#### **Resolution:**

**Fran Sankey was elected to the office of Chair of directors until the AGM in 2020.**

#### Election of Deputy Chair

In accordance with article 10.11 of the Constitution the Directors may elect from amongst their number a Deputy Chair and may also determine the period for which the person elected is to hold that office. However, a person may hold the office of Deputy Chair only for as long as they are a Director.

A poll was conducted with Angelo Konstantinou receiving more votes.

#### **Resolution:**

**Angelo Konstantinou was elected to the office of Deputy Chair of directors until the AGM in 2020.**



### **Capital Football Strategic Plan**

In 2015 FFA released its Whole of Football Plan, which represented a 20-year vision for the game. In 2016 FFA released the first 4-year Strategic Plan within the broader Whole of Football Plan.

In 2016 Capital Football released its Strategic Plan to 2019, which aligned to the FFA Strategic Plan structure.

The Board endorsed an approach to collaborate with the Football Community and key stakeholders and deliver a community engagement process to help shape and guide the development of a new strategic plan for Capital Football.

The process will seek to engage the community through a multi-faceted approach including online submission, stakeholder workshops and community forums.

The project is proposed to be delivered in five stages;

Stage 1: Development & Preparation (April & May 2019)

Stage 2: Consultation (May & June 2019)

Stage 3: Consolidation (June 2019)

Stage 4: Drafting (July 2019)

Stage 5: Presentation (August & September 2019)

Michael Brady will lead the engagement with the football community in developing the next strategic plan.

Michael has an extensive history in Sport and Government in the ACT. He has also been a Board Member of a licensed club and sporting association, been an active committee member of ACT sporting clubs over a 17-year span, and has coached across juniors, grade and age representative sport.

Michael has extensive experience in Strategic Planning, delivery against Strategic Plans, and the experience of leading community sporting organisations. He also has an intimate knowledge of Canberra and its culture which is essential to a meaningful local engagement.

#### **Resolution:**

**The Capital Football Board endorsed Stage 1 and 2 of the Strategic Plan Development Proposal.**

### **Nominations for FFA Committees**

The Board discussed potential candidates for nomination to the FFA the Grassroots and Community Football Committee.

#### **Resolution:**

**The Board endorsed the nomination for Mark O'Neill for the FFA Grassroots and Community Football Committee.**



### **Appointed Directors**

The Board discussed the process to identify and endorse Appointed Directors, agreeing that it is prudent to review the board skill matrix considering the new directors and areas of focus for the company.

### **Stakeholder Correspondence**

In the hours directly preceding the Board Meeting the directors received a number of emails relating to Governance matters.

Given the timing of the emails, the Board agreed to acknowledge receipt of the emails and respond once directors had an opportunity to read and consider the contents.

### **COMMERCIAL – “CONNECTING AND THRIVING”**

#### **Registration Invoicing**

The Board discussed the challenges faced by Football with the introduction of the Play Football registration system.

The system allows for a split of FFA, Capital Football and Club components of registration fees when players register and pay online, which has been a beneficial addition.

The system does not have reporting that allows Capital Football to accurately develop invoices for clubs that set up registrations packages of \$0, or where players paid clubs directly.

We await the imminent development of the reports that will enable this function to occur.

### **PARTICIPATION – “PARTICIPATION AND EXPERIENCE”**

#### **Monaro Panthers in the NPLW**

The Board discussed the Monaro Panthers U17 team withdrawal from the NPLW competition following feedback from the PLSAC. The Board accepted the PLSAC recommendations.

The Board also noted their intention to engage with the PLSAC in regards to the 2020 NPLW structure.

#### **Resolution:**

The Capital Football Board accepts the financial sanctions proposed by the PLSAC.

The Board also resolved to seek the PLSAC's advice, considering year on year data as part of the annual review of the NPLW, to inform their decision on the competition structure for 2020.



### **FFA Forum**

The FFA have confirmed their willingness to increase the maximum number of attendees to the Community Forum scheduled for 8 May at the Anne Harding Centre at the University of Canberra.

Capital Football are engaging with FFA on the increased capacity, with the expansion to initially include Regional Representatives, Standing Advisory Committee Members and Club Presidents prior to being opened up to the broader football community.

### **PERFORMANCE – “PERFORMING FOR SUCCESS”**

#### **NPLY Competition Format**

At their February 2019 meeting the Board considered a submission by the PLSAC seeking a revised competition structure for the NPLY competition.

The Board accepted that, under the current format, there was potential for challenges to club and player participation once the first round has been completed if club teams are split over the NPLY1 and NPLY2 divisions, including; transport of players, revenue via NPLY canteens, players sitting on the bench for the next age grade up, and Technical Directors ability to support each age grade team coach.

The Board was also cognoscente that a move to a 2-round home and away format is likely to reduce the number of competitive matches across the season for individual players (i.e. like v like matches).

Those things considered, the Board undertook a watching brief of the initial rounds of the NPLY, with weekly match data provided to the Board, PLSAC and Coaches Technical Committee.

The Board will now seek advice from the PLSAC and Coaches Technical Committee on the NPLY structure post round 13, specifically seeking their thoughts on retaining the current structure or otherwise, with reference to this season’s results and to the goals of the Competition and Youth Development Pathway reviews.



**Fran Sankey**

Chairperson

