

BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

JUNE 2019

INTRODUCTION

This summary provides information relating to the Capital Football Board meeting held on 26 June 2019, and contains 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, Grace Gill, Gary Vandeburgt, Phil Brown, *Megan Salic (for the media update and finance report only)*, *Glenn Armstrong (for the competitions update and Riverina Rhinos U20 withdrawal only)*.

GOVERNANCE – “LEADING FOR UNITY OF PURPOSE”

Strategic Plan Engagement

The Board discussed the progress in engaging with the football community to inform development of the next Capital Football strategic plan.

Capital Football sought nominations from clubs, as the key stakeholders, to the strategic planning workshops. With the submission date passed, we received between 4 and 7 nominations per workshop. The workshops were planned to include up to 15 people per session.

As a result of the lower than aspired nominations, Capital Football deferred the commencement of the workshops, with the Players sessions moved to August.

Capital Football reached out to the Zone Council and Standing Advisory Committees to seek their support engaging with Clubs to identify people. Capital Football also communicated an opportunity for individuals in the football community to put their own names forward.

The workshops will commence with the Coaches sessions on Tuesday 2 and Thursday 4 July.

Appointed Directors

The Capital Football Board discussed the process and timeline for the recruitment of an appointed Director.



Capital Football will release an expression of interest for individuals to nominate to be considered for an appointed Director role.

Nominations will be open to females that have the requisite skills and experience, including;

- A desire to positively contribute to the development of football and futsal in the ACT and surrounding region
- Demonstrable business acumen
- Qualifications and professional experience in financial management
- Embodiment of the core attributes of integrity, good communicator, team player, contributor, leader, critical and innovative thinker

In addition to seeking the support of the football community to identify potential candidates to be appointed Directors, Capital Football will advertise the expression of interest more broadly, for example on the ACT Government Diversity Register. The expression of interest will also be sent individually to the female candidates from the recent Director elections.

Expressions of interest will be accepted until 19 July, with the Board considering the applications at their meeting on 31 July.

Governance Review

The Board discussed the Governance Review, in particular the shared ambition across Member Federations to review their Constitutions, considering the recent changes at Football Federation Australia (FFA).

While the governance framework varies significantly between Member Federations, the Presidents expressed a willingness to explore ways to incorporate similarities in the respective Constitutions.

While provision of a “model” constitution would not be practical given the significant differences between the footprint and membership of each State and Territory Federation, FFA have committed to providing guiding principles to support local review of football governance documents.

Meeting Minutes

The Board noted the minutes of the following meetings;

- Board and Members meeting held on 12 June 2019
- Premier Leagues Standing Advisory Committee meeting held on 12 June 2019
- Community Leagues Standing Advisory Committee meeting held on 12 June 2019
- Zone Council meeting held on 12 June 2019



COMMERCIAL – “CONNECTING AND THRIVING”

Media and Communications Update

The Head of Commercial provided an update on media and communications to the Board, including;

- Across “local” print and digital media there have been 119 stories year to date
- Unique website visitation is up 11% on 2018
- Nearly 600K minutes of streamed matches have been watched year to date
- Social media reach for Capital Football branded Facebook and Twitter accounts is on par with 2018

The Head of Commercial also provided an update on the communications for Kanga Cup, which included; emails to club contacts (operations) and Kanga “Roos news” that goes to all registered participants, the Kanga Cup App which will have results uploaded within 30 minutes of the conclusion of each match by the venue result managers, Canberra FM coverage during the opening ceremony, at Kambri during the player clinics and at Lyneham on finals day, and daily updates sent by the Digital Engagement Coordinator to participants and loaded to the website and social media

PARTICIPATION – “PARTICIPATION AND EXPERIENCE”

Competitions Update

The Head of Participation provided a competition update to the Board.

The update included an overview per league, discussion on the development of the match schedules for the State League divisions with split rounds, regrading of Junior leagues, progress report on the implementation of Temporary Dismissals across senior competitions and an analysis of referee coverage across all divisions.

The Head of Participation also addressed;

- The cancellation of Men’s Masters booking at the AIS due to reports of teams breaching the ban on consuming alcohol at the venue. This is extremely disappointing, as it compromises our ability to deliver competitions and damages the reputation of our sport in the community
- Work being done to improve the processes related to communication of the women’s state league net roster and matches without a referee list
- That Capital Football has implemented a “Competitions Afterhours number” which will be active from the weekend of 28 June to assist in the timely response to any match related challenges arising out of office hours



Riverina Rhinos FC U20 Withdrawal

The Board discussed the withdrawal of the U20 team from the NPL1 by the Riverina Rhinos FC. Riverina Rhinos FC withdrew their U20 team after they forfeited their Round 7, 8 and 9 matches due to being unable to field a team.

Capital Football consulted with the Premier Leagues Standing Advisory Committee (PLSAC) in regard to the Riverina Rhino's U20 team withdrawal. The PLSAC recommended a consistent approach with the sanctions applied to Monaro Panthers FC for withdrawing their U17 team from the NPLW earlier in the season. The Board supported their recommendation.

Resolution:

The Board imposed the following sanctions on Riverina Rhinos FC for the withdrawal of their U20's team for the NPL1 Competition:

1. Riverina Rhinos FC were issued with a \$1,500 fine for withdrawing their NPL1 U20 team during the Competition
2. Riverina Rhinos FC were issued with a \$1,500 suspended fine for the remaining 2019 competition to be applied if Riverina Rhinos FC cannot field a team for a competitive match in the NPL1 1st grade or any NPLY age grades
3. Riverina Rhinos FC are required to show cause as to why they should be accepted to participate in the 2020 NPL and NPLY Competitions, including how they plan to be sustainable over the next 3 seasons

Belsouth Pink Beanie Day

Capital Football Chair Fran Sankey, Director Grace Gill and CEO Phil Brown, attended the Belsouth Pink Beanie day, volunteering to "guard the goals" in a penalty shootout donation activity from 9:00am – 12:00pm. Fran also attended a Belsouth sponsors and community event that evening.

The Board noted how well the event was delivered by Belsouth, and the tremendous support provided by the local football community. The Board acknowledged the great work done by the Belsouth club, for football and a worthy cause, and passed on their thanks and congratulations.

PERFORMANCE – "PERFORMING FOR SUCCESS"

National Youth League Coach Recruitment Update

The Board were provided an update on the recruitment process for the NYL Coach. Interviews of the short-listed candidates have been concluded, with the interview panel convening to identify a preferred candidate.



Fran Sankey
Chair