

BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

APRIL 2020 (DEFERRED TO 6 MAY 2020)

INTRODUCTION

This summary provides information relating to the Capital Football Board meeting held on 6 May 2020, 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 subheadings, aligned to the strategic pillar to which it is most relevant.

Due to restrictions in place to reduce the spread of Covid-19, this meeting was held via videoconference.

Attendees

Fran Sankey (Chair), Angelo Konstantinou (Deputy Chair), Richard Naumovski, Garth Morrison, Grace Gill, Gary Vandeburgt, Jodie Newall, and Phil Brown (CEO).

GOVERNANCE – “LEADING FOR UNITY OF PURPOSE”

Home of Football

The Board reviewed a summary of recent information sent by the ACT Government and SMEC (the consultants engaged to prepare the Estate Development Plan for the Throsby Home of Football Project). that identified draft site layouts for the facility.

Return to Football Guidelines

The Board discussed the Return to Football Guidelines, including;

- ▶ The AIS have released guidelines that set out a framework for sport to return. They include 3 stages, being A – isolated training, B – return to limited training, C – return to training and matches
- ▶ FFA and the Member Federations have been collaborating on return to play principles to be adapted locally considering Government guidelines
- ▶ Kelly Stirton is leading this project for Capital Football, tailoring work completed by FFA and the Member Federations to apply across our competitions, programs, and courses.

Service Charter

The Board discussed the Service Charter, noting some required amendments to formatting, and release date to be confirmed and aligned to the release of the next Strategic Plan.

Community Engagement

The Board and CEO noted the following engagement with the football community since the last meeting;

- ▶ The CEO participated in a Club Presidents video conference on 3 April 2020
- ▶ All Directors and the CEO participated in the Club Presidents video conference on 23 April 2020.

COMMERCIAL – “CONNECTING AND THRIVING”

Media and Communications Update

The Head of Commercial tabled an update on media and communications to the Board, which included;

- ▶ There have been 74 print stories about football to 31 March 2020, with 1 considered negative
- ▶ Website visitation in 2020 is slightly down in comparison to the same time in 2019
- ▶ The football community continued to engage with Capital Football Social media assets in strong numbers during March, however visitation to Kanga Cup, Canberra United and NPL assets dropped with the suspension of football
- ▶ Schedule of media activities for the month of April 2020.

PARTICIPATION – “PARTICIPATION AND EXPERIENCE”

Participation Update

The Head of Participation tabled an update on the participation programs to the Board, which included;

- ▶ A table was presented that outlined the potential start and end dates of various competition modelling conducted across the leagues
- ▶ Background on the engagement with SACs and clubs in developing the competition models
- ▶ Update on referee education and online training sessions scheduled in April and May
- ▶ Update on guides and resources being developed to support the enhanced delivery of game development programs
- ▶ Update on the Covid-19 Club Resources guide that provides football resources, information on government support packages, and links to mental health resources.

Competition Modelling Meetings

After follow-up meetings with the Standing Advisory Committees to further refine the competition modelling, meetings were scheduled from Monday May 11 to Wednesday May 13 to consult with the clubs on the work undertaken.

PLSAC NPL Review Proposal

The Board considered draft terms of reference for an NPL Review submitted by the Premier Leagues Standing Advisory Committee (PLSAC). In doing this, the Board was mindful of factors that may influence any review of Capital Football NPL competitions, including the FFA NPL review and impacts of Covid-19 on community football in 2020.

The Board discussed the PLSAC NPL Review Proposal, of note;

- ▶ Directors thought there was merit in an independent review, but it needs to be independent of the competition administrator and clubs
- ▶ There is a national NPL review being undertaken by FFA, and we should align with that review

The Directors agreed on a resolution that acknowledged the impacts of Covid-19 on football and deferred a decision on a local review until the national review had been completed (with contribution from Capital Football).

RESOLUTION:

That the Board resolved that;

- a) The NPL Review proposal as presented is deferred
- b) The Board ask Capital Football Management and the PLSAC to contribute to the FFA National NPL Review
- c) The Board ask Capital Football Management and the PLSAC to further develop the NPL Review proposal, including the funding for the NPL review proposal and terms of reference and present it to the July Board meeting. The funding of the NPL Review proposal considers the financial position of Capital Football and the clubs.

PERFORMANCE – “PERFORMING FOR SUCCESS”

Performance Programs Update

The Technical Director tabled an update on the performance programs to the Board, which included;

- ▶ Skills Hub and challenges set for players in SAP
- ▶ Online individual training programs, Karly Roestbakken Q&A and FIFA11+ injury prevention programs for players in the CUA
- ▶ Online individual training programs and Luke Wilkshire Q&A for players in the TSP
- ▶ Establishment of “from the sidelines” online forums
- ▶ Delivery of online Advanced Coaching Workshops “Managing Unlimited substitutions” participated in by 49 people, and “Coaching and the influence of the Coach” participated in by 71 people
- ▶ Expressions of interest received from the football community to hold places on the Technical Committee.