

**Football Brisbane Inc.  
Zone Council Meeting  
Held at Football Brisbane  
Monday, 20 April 2009**

**Meeting Opened:** 6.30 pm

**Attendance:** Michael Bailey (President), Tony Buckley (Vice President), Ken MacDougall (Treasurer), Ros Englund (WSC), Rod Cousins (General Manager).

**Apologies:** Ian Dalzell (MSC)

**President's Report:**

Bailey addressed a number of issues:

**FB Standing Committees:**

Reported that he had a discussion with the CEO of Football Queensland regarding the appointment of people to the standing committees. Suggested that a call for expressions of interest in any of the committees be sent.

Advised that the lack of notification about nominations to the referees group had been raised with FQ and that FQ's response had been that the process had been completed.

Reported that the introduction of the coach standing committee had been put on hold by FQ.

Reported on advice from FQ that the current constitutional model, including the standing committees, could be reviewed at FQ and FFA level.

Bailey raised the issue of the vacancy in the Secretary position on the Council. Proposed that Reuben Robertson be offered the position and, assuming acceptance, be appointed.

The meeting agreed.

Bailey proposed that Koula Fotinos be reappointed as Chair of the Sponsorship/Marketing Committee.

The meeting agreed.

### **North Star:**

Bailey reported on the idea of further investigations into the financial and constitutional situation of North Star and whether it should be pursued. Buckley suggested that all Premier clubs should be asked to provide the same information.

### **Competition Review Committee:**

Bailey raised the issue of the membership of competition review committee. Cousins tabled a proposal to outsource the position of Chair to a sports consultant to ensure neutrality and a professional approach.

The meeting agreed.

Bailey listed the candidates who had nominated for the committee. The meeting discussed the candidates and agreed on a panel of six members to work with the Chair.

The meeting then discussed some of the issues and parameters for the terms of reference for the review.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

MacDougall presented the financials and spoke to the report. Highlighted key points including the current debtors list and suggested that clubs who have not paid their fees should have the points deducted from all of their teams until payment is made.

MacDougall reported that he was having an issue with the lack of availability of player registration numbers because of the new system. Cousins advised that there were approximately 20,000 players registered on Results Vault.

MacDougall advised that the current cash flow was fine and FB would be able to meet the FQ registration payment at the end of the month.

MacDougall raised the issue of communication with FQ and suggested that both organisations need to have a clear understanding of the key issues. Suggested that any unresolved issues with FQ need to be finalised and suggested a meeting between the FQ Board and the Council.

Bailey suggested that some of the unresolved issues should not have been issues if communication from FQ was better.

MacDougall raised the issue of the RSJPL and suggested that a decision needs to be made in the next few months as to the selection of teams and other programs.

Suggested that there may be opportunities for linkage with the Qld Roar for some of the teams.

MacDougall raised the issue of the budget preparation process for 2010 and beyond and suggested certain sections of the budget could be monitored by various members of staff as part of the budget management process.

MacDougall raised the issue of the current financial status of the Brisbane Women's Soccer Association and the intentions of the organisation.

Buckley reported that BWSA had been awaiting the conclusion of the FB elections with the view to developing an agreement with FB.

Bailey enquired as to any BWSA meetings that had been held and who had attended.

Buckley advised that meetings had been held and that they met the criteria under the BWSA constitution.

The meeting discussed how the transition of funds will occur and how they will be utilised.

### **Correspondence:**

The correspondence was tabled.

Bailey raised the issue of a request from Rochedale for compensation as a result of a Premier League match.

Advised that under the competition rules there is no legal obligation to do so.

The meeting agreed there would be no payment.

### **General Business:**

Bailey mentioned the issue of the Player Age Policy and how its intent had been misunderstood by a number of clubs.

The meeting discussed the various issues relating to the current policy.

**Meeting Closed:** 9.00 pm