#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016**

Subiaco City Junior Soccer Club INC. (ABN 7732348344)

Rosalie Park Clubhouse, Onslow Road, Shenton Park Sat,13 August 2016 at 15.30

#### **MINUTES**

Chairperson: Drew Palmer

Opened: 15:36

In Attendance:

Johanna Leahy Marstrand Laura Johnston Lynn Louer Mary wakeford Jenny Palmer Tony Baker **Drew Palmer** Esther Cheim Caroline Kempshall **Eleonore Morel** Corey Ku Lorraine Kearney **Gurdev Dinas Eugene Tan James Noakes** Alan McKie

### 1. **President's Address** (Drew Palmer)

Thanked departed and outgoing committee members Naomi McCrae, Louis Boog, Bronwyn Hewitt, and Steve Betts, with a special mention for Brad Forbes who has been an immense asset to the Club over a sustained period. Brad will continue to support the Club in a non-committee capacity. The contribution of Matias Saettone during his short time as VP Coaching & Development, before his relocation to the UK, was also noted.

Welcomed new committee members Tony Baker, Corey Ku and Mary Wakeford.

Over the coming twelve months, the committee will continue to make improvements to make the Club better with a particular focus on two areas:

# 1. Better ground behaviour.

Discussed behaviour issues such as lack of respect for referees. Will take the case to Football West in the hope of engaging other clubs in an initiative to improve behaviour for next season.

## 2. Costs.

The committee is aware that memberships fees are high and is keen to keep the sport available to as many people as possible in setting registration fees as low as possible.

#### 2. Declaration of Interests

Drew Palmer (Chair) declared his interest in GearUp Sports and that he is the father of an NPL junior player

Jenny Palmer (VP Liaison) declared her interest in GearUp Sports and that she is the mother of an NPL junior player.

#### 3. Minutes of the 2015 AGM

Accepted without amendment. Last year's actions - better communication and a new website - have been completed. Jenny requested help on keeping the website updated.

Moved: James Noakes, Seconded Jenny Palmer. Majority in favour. Motion passed.

#### 4. Correspondence

No relevant correspondence.

#### 5. Finance

Presentation by the Treasurer (Gurdev Dinas).

Biggest expenses were Football West registrations, kit, equipment, and grounds maintenance. Budget is in black. \$50,000 in cash reserves. \$37,000 on term deposit. 2014 interest-free, five year loan to the NPL is still outstanding.

Accepted as true and accurate record.

Moved Drew Palmer Seconded Caroline Kempshall. Majority in favour. Motion passed.

# **6. Secretary's Annual Report** (Johanna Leahy Marstrand)

Provided overview of improvements over the past season, including grading, new website and Facebook page, weekly email bulletin (SubiNews), Family Fridays, ongoing Perth Glory relationship. Thanked all volunteers, and both Subiaco and Cambridge Councils without whom the club couldn't exist.

# 7. Election of Officers - Management Committee

The following nominees stood unopposed:

President: Drew Palmer

Secretary: Johanna Leahy Marstrand

Treasurer: Gurdev Dinas Registrar: Mary Wakeford VP Operations: Corey Ku

VP Grounds & Equipment: Tony Baker VP Coaching & Development: Drew Palmer

VP Events: Eleonore Morel VP Liaison: Jenny Palmer

A mass vote was allowed as there was only one candidate for each position.

Moved: Alan McKie, Seconded: Caroline Kempshall Majority vote for election of the committee.

#### 8. General Business

A. NPL Financial Support: This past season, the Juniors agreed to support the NPL club by providing them with financial support of \$17,000 (\$25 per Junior player from U8 upwards). This amount was provided on the understanding that the NPL would provide a budget for review to the Junior committee and endeavour to cut costs. In addition, the Junior club expected to benefit through access and use of

the Technical Director, and sharing of NPL/Div 1 team training facilities. Neither of these benefits materialised, nor did a budget nor cost-cutting proposals. Effectively the NPL club withdrew the benefits of association of the two clubs for Juniors despite the financial support provided. The NPL also refused to pay for grounds booked on their behalf through the Junior Club, putting the Junior club a further \$2071 out of pocket. The Junior Committee decided that any future financial support for the NPL would need to be tabled, and voted on, at the Annual General Meeting, to ensure transparency for our members. Our request that the NPL Committee present their 2017 funding requirements, including budget, by July 2016 to facilitate this, was ignored.

After considerable reasonable discussion on the issue, the following two-fold mo tion was proposed:

- to budget zero dollars in the upcoming season's budget for NPL support.
- should the NPL committee request monetary support from the Juniors, any proposal will need to be put before the general membership for approval at a special general meeting.

Moved: Drew Palmer, Seconded: Caroline Kempshall. Majority in favour. Motion passed.

President, Drew Palmer, will draft a letter to the NPL committee outlaying this twofold resolution.

- B. *Coaching* support for teams struggling to get suitable volunteer parent coaches. Two proposed remedies:
- Proposed collaboration with Edith Cowan University to use kids studying Sport Management (Football) to coach teams in need of better coaching/coaching support.
- Improvement of the Mentor Program to ensure that the teams that need mentors most, get them.

Meeting adjourned: 16:55