

SOUTHERN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD

MINUTES

MONDAY 14th August 2023 – 7:00 PM – 9:00pm

Sandringham Basketball Association

Attendance: Phil McFarlane (President), Gerrik Gratz (Vice President), Anne-Maree Nunan (Secretary), Natalie Hughes (Treasurer), Jason Shugg, Michelle Scalzi, Craig Weir (CEO – non-voting member),

Apologies: Dean Cartwright

Guests: Nil

Chairperson – Phil McFarlane (President)

Meeting Opened – 7.10pm

1. **Welcome** – Chairperson set the context for the meeting and outlined the agenda.

1.1. **Declarations of Conflict of Interest** – based on agenda.

None declared.

1.2. **Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

Minutes of the previous Board meeting held on 17th July 2023 have been circulated.

Motion: That the minutes of that meeting be accepted as a true record of the business at that meeting.

Moved: Michelle Scalzi **Seconded:** Natalie Hughes **CARRIED**

1.3. **Action Register**

Action register was reviewed and updated with progress.

2. **Decisions Offline**

2.1. Nil

3. **Decisions**

3.1. Nil

4. **Child Safety & Member Protection**

Tribunal results available [here](#).

Basketball Victoria continue to investigate an incident involving a Sabres U18's player who reported he was racially vilified – the hearing is planned for September/October.

SBA's child safety policy needs to be reviewed and updated. Basketball Victoria has an updated policy and this policy will be adopted by the SBA while the review is conducted. This will also apply to Basketball Victoria's Photography and privacy policies while the SBA policies are reviewed in the context of Glory League recordings of games at Tulip st stadium. **Action:** Anne-Maree Nunan and Craig Weir

Operations

5.1 CEO Report

The board wishes to congratulate the NBL1 Men's team for their performance in the NBL1 South Grand Final. It was a great game against Knox in front of 3000 people at the State Basketball Centre.

The preliminary final against Diamond Valley produced a great atmosphere at the Sabre Dome with over 600 tickets sold. It was the first ever ticketed game sold.

Both the NBL1 Men's and Women's teams have had a great year with both making finals and have made a very positive impact on the rest of the Association and our young players. Congratulations also to the Women's team on a great year.

As of the meeting date, 692 players have registered for rep tryouts. The number of rep teams has not yet been confirmed for 2024.

Basketball Victoria has advised that referee wages are increasing by \$2 per game which will need to be recuperated. CEO is working on the financials and will discuss with Club Presidents.

The new scoreboard installation for court 1 is scheduled for 28th August.

VY coaching roles have been advertised and applications are being reviewed.

Interviews are currently occurring for the Director of Coaching Girls/Women and Assistant Director of Coaching roles and appointments hope to be made soon. The Board discussed potential conflicts of interest and how this could be managed.

Danielle Maclellan commenced on 31 July as the SBA's new Finance Manager and a handover is currently underway with Margaret.

The 4 new Courts have a late December due date at this stage. The water pooling under building has been resolved. Council has agreed on funding additional line markings on the new courts for badminton and volleyball.

6 Finance & Audit

The SBA has a positive cash balance as at end July. Auditor is finalising last FY and audit reports for AGM on 2nd October.

Noting: The board noted the financial position as per advice from the Treasurer.

Budget – cost increases will occur next year due to increased staff required for new courts, DoC and ADoC roles, referee wage increase. **Action:** Next meeting – present budget for approval (Craig).

7 Strategy

7.1. Risk Management proposal:

A risk management proposal and quote was tabled for review. The board discussed the scope and it was decided that the scope be reduced and more quotes sought. **Action:** Phil McFarlane to organise requote. Craig Weir and Natalie Hughes to source alternate providers.

7.2. S-League proposal:

Gerrick Gratz spoke to all Domestic Club Presidents regarding the S-League proposal and Presidents met collectively to discuss and provided feedback. The clubs did not feel the S-League was the right solution hence will not go ahead. The following suggestions were shared: Clubs must adhere to by-laws on rep points – no exemptions. This means that rep players may need to move teams. Clubs to work on building A grade teams.

SBA 50 Years celebration (21 September 1974 - 2024) – An organising committee has been formed consisting of Board members - Phil McFarlane, Jason Shugg and Michelle Scalzi, Life Members - Steve Lunardon, Frank Russo and Scott Harvey and Social Media and Marketing Coordinator - Emma Jarman. **Action:** Phil to book kick off meeting.

8 Other Business

Nil

9 Next Meeting: Monday 11th September 2023

Meeting Closed – 9pm

End.