Tamworth Australian Football League General Meeting

Sunday, 1st December 2013 Wests Diggers, Kable Ave, Tamworth

Meeting Opened: 12.40pm

Present: Nick Baird (NB), Lindsay Brash (LB), Irene Dasey (ID), Vincent Woodgate (VW), Shane Douglas (SD), Josh McKenzie (JM), Adrian Walsh (AW)

Apologies: Mark Storey, John Woolsaton, Graham Nuttal, Gerry Griffiths, Daniel Hughes

Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

Minutes of previous General Meeting circulated. Moved by NB. Seconded by SD Motion carries

Treasurer's Report:

As per AGM

Business Arising:

- Tribunal hearings - JM indicated when he was Secretary he took on the role. He indicated in the past that he stated a need for a coordinator. LB asked if JM would like to take on an official role in that capacity. JM indicated he will give a response in due time. (JM subsequently indicated he would take on a role in the process, convening hearings when needed)

Correspondence In:

Jason Sincock NSW/ACT AFL – Functionality Release of Footy Web system Jason Sincock NSW/ACT AFL – Yamba Prawn Bowl Jason Sincock NSW/ACT AFL – Play AFL 2014 Mark Storey – Apology for today's AGM

Correspondence Out:

To all clubs re AGM To all clubs re Nomination Forms for Committee Members

General Business:

- Appointment of Umpires Director

AW nominated Lindsay Brash as Umpires Director, seconded by SD.

Lindsay elected unopposed

- Appointment of SportingPulse Co-ordinator

AW nominated Nick Baird, seconded LB

Nick elected unopposed

- 2014 TAFL Competition

* Number of teams – 6 team draw presented. There is a possibility that Gunnedah will be unable to field a team. Narrabri have indicated they have the numbers to participate in the season. Cats granted permission to leave the TAFL to join the Black Diamond AFL. In the event of a 5 team competition, a bye would be included for teams drawn to play Dogs

* Draw – a draft draw presented. 2 wet weather weekends reduced to 1 after Round 10. Discussion was held as to the starting date of the season, with a decision to be referred to the next General Meeting. Suggestion also made that one wet weather weekend would be suffice, to be held after Round 10. NB to amend draw and present at next meeting.

* Rep Footy – discussion into hosting North Coast or attending a 4 team carnival in Dubbo against other regional leagues. NB indicated a desire to host the North Coast in either Inverell or Tamworth and hold a match under lights, possibly in the June long weekend. Further discussion to be held after finalisation of the draw.

* Scheduled Starting Times – NB proposed the idea of allowing clubs to set their own starting time for games. Following discussion, the committee decree that clubs could work together to change starting times if required, however 2pm Saturday to stay as default starting times.

Saints proposal to add to the TAFL note of the By-law 5.12 was discussed.
Arguments for both sides presented, with the primary concern from the Saints being a loss of home game and sponsor revenue.
Vote conducted – 1 FOR the amendment, 6 AGAINST.
Motion Defeated

Meeting Closed: 1.31pm

Next Meeting: Sunday 5th January 2pm