

# **Country Energy T.A.F.L.**

## **Executive Meeting**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

Held at Number One Oval, Tamworth.

**Meeting commenced at 7.35pm.**

### **PRESENT:**

Gerry Griffiths (chair), Josh McKenzie, Graham Nuttall, Dave Chapman, Andy Larpent, Graham Brown.

### **APOLOGIES:**

Adrian Walsh (by phone for part of meeting).

### **1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of previous meeting were circulated.

Moved J. McKenzie that, "the Minutes as circulated be accepted."

Seconded G. Griffiths. CARRIED

### **2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

#### **2.1 2010 Regional Championships.**

A decision is to be made after costs are disclosed by AFL NSW/ACT. J. McKenzie to forward email regarding same after Andrew Knott commences his position as Football Services Manager.

#### **2.2 Southern Cross 10 and Country Energy sponsorships.**

G. Griffiths and G. Nuttall are yet to meet with Southern Cross 10 and Country Energy. An email has been sent to Country Energy seeking a meeting regarding same.

#### **2.3 2010 draw.**

G. Griffiths presented three options for a seven team draw and a six team draw. The six team draw was adopted, with some discussion entered into the seven team draw options and fitting with known requirements regarding away games and ground availability for the New England Nomads and the Inverell Saints. G. Griffiths to make necessary alterations to the seven team draw.

#### **2.4 2009 Flag.**

G. Brown has ordered the 2009 Premiers flag which should be ready in March.

### **3. FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Tabled by G. Nuttall, indicating little change from his December report and showing a current balance of \$24,423.19.

Moved G. Nuttall that, "the report as tabled be accepted."

Seconded J. McKenzie. CARRIED

#### 4. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

##### **IN:**

**Graham Brown – application for Umpires Co-ordinator position.**  
**Narrabri Eagles – email with minutes of December meeting attached.**  
**Inverell Saints – email regarding 2010 draw.**  
**New England Nomads – seeking approval for new jersey design.**

##### **OUT:**

**Invoice to Inverell Saints - \$300 for Grand Final levy.**  
**Invoice to Tamworth Swans - \$28 outstanding for 2009 insurance fees.**  
**Email to all Clubs regarding Sporting Pulse and Umpire Co-ordinator roles.**  
**Email to all Clubs regarding Cooper Sportswear sponsorship opportunity.**  
**Email to New England Nomads re: issues flagged for 2010 draw.**  
**Email to Narrabri Eagles re: 2010 nomination.**  
**Email to New England Nomads re: approval for new jersey design.**

#### 5. **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

##### **5.1 Generic by-laws proposed by AFL NSW/ACT.**

J. McKenzie presented an annotated version of the proposed generic by-laws identifying differences with current TAFL by-laws. Further discussion put over to next meeting to allow the Executive to review document. J. McKenzie to forward email to all Clubs seeking input to submission to be made to AFL NSW/ACT regarding proposed generic by-laws.

##### **5.2 Umpires Coordinator position.**

G. Brown left the room for the discussion. It was agreed upon after a brief discussion that Graham Brown was the preferred applicant with Nick Baird not qualified as an umpire. Moved J. McKenzie that, "Graham Brown be given the position as Umpires Coordinator for the 2010 season."

Seconded D. Chapman.

**CARRIED**

Subsequent discussion was focused on improving the support provided to umpires and Graham Brown in that role. J. McKenzie to forward email to Nick Baird, and to all Clubs seeking ex-players to take on an umpiring role.

##### **5.3 Sporting Pulse Coordinator position.**

No applications received. G. Brown indicated that his wife was prepared to take the role on should no other person be identified. G. Griffiths stated he believed the position was Worthing paying a further \$500. A. Larpent and J. McKenzie queried if this was a significant enough increase to attract persons to take on the role. In the absence of other interest G. Brown's wife to take on the role \*\*\*.

\*\*\* Subsequent to meeting Katie Howard, the AFL NSW/ACT Development Officer, expressed an interest in taking on the role to increase her involvement with the TAFL. Her offer was gladly accepted.

##### **5.4 Tony Gillies and Gerry Griffiths medals.**

J. McKenzie presented draft designs for the medals which provoked some constructive critique from the Executive. Design to be reworked accordingly.

### **5.5 Draft budget for 2010.**

A draft budget is to be presented at the next meeting. At this time it is hoped that affiliation fees for 2010 can be set, and the possibility of increasing umpires fees for the 2010 season can be examined.

**Next meeting: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2010, 6pm at Number One Oval, Tamworth.  
This is an Executive meeting.**

**Meeting closed at 9.44pm.**