

SRASA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MEETING: Board Meeting Wednesday 25 July 2012

LOCATION: 6pm, Squash SA, 440 Goodwood Road, Cumberland Park

1 ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present:

S. Abishara (SAb)	G. DeVizio (GD)	M. Goldstone (MG) (Chair)	
L. Franzi (LF)	A. Proctor (AP)	P. Teale (PT)	A. Ryan (AR)

Ex Officio:

P. Sinnott (PS) - General Manager

1.2 Apologies: C. Johnstone (CJ)

1.3 Guests: Sanjeev Khurana, Back on the Ball Project
Grant Donovan, President Referee's Association (apology)
Greg Fisher, Clubs SA Membership Manager (apology)

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2012.

Moved: Sam Abishara

Seconded: George DeVizio

Carried.

3. ITEMS ON AGENDA (Reports Circulated Electronically Prior to Meeting)

3.1 Referee Overview

This report was postponed.

3.2 Back on the Ball Presentation

Sanjeev spoke of his paediatric work specialising in helping children conquer obesity. Sanjeev spoke on obesity in the context of a worldwide problem, with 4% of the population being 'extremely obese' according to BMI averages.

It has been documented that squash is the most intense fat burning exercise. From this, and Sanjeev's passion for the game, the 'Back on the Ball' program was introduced in 2011.

The Back on the Ball Project Reference Group which consists of Dr Sanjeev Khurana – Paediatric Surgeon Women's and Children's Hospital), Mrs Kerri Sutton – Nurse Coordinator (Flinders' Medical Centre), Professor Timothy Olds – Senior Lecturer, Division of Health Sciences (University of South Australia), Dr Nicola Spurrier – Consultant Paediatrician (Flinders' Medical Centre), Phil Sinnott – General Manager (Squash SA).

12 children have participated in the program (average retention of 7 participants). The program targets late primary school and high school aged children. \$15,000 ORS funding (over the past 2 years) has covered project costs such as footwear, racquets, personalised coaching.

Sanjeev would like to continue the program and engage Uni SA to conduct research that will collect and analyse base data and program results. The program would compare children who have lat band surgery and don't play squash to those that have the surgery and play squash. The study would cover 10 children over the course of one year, and would cost approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Once the study is complete, Squash SA could roll the program out Australia Wide.

Actions:

- Sanjeev and PS to meet with ORS and provide an update on the program, see if any funding available to assist.
- PS to re-circulate the Squash SA 'Back on the Ball' A Net presentation to Board Members.
- PS prepare 12 month budget with success measures for consideration.
- Will Grey to talk about the program from a coach's perspective.

That Squash continue to fund the Back on the Ball program over the coming month. The Board will consider the programs long term sustainability at the August meeting.

Move: Sam Abishara Second: Philip Teale Carried.

3.3 2012 FEG Recommendations

The Board considered the 2012 FEG Panel's Briefing report and overview provided by the General Manager.

Club/Court	Projects	Funding Offer
Adelaide Malibu	Installation of evaporative air-conditioning	\$3,000
Pembroke School	-Reclad the front wall of both courts -Sand floors -Replace front tins -Paint and reline courts -replace timber door with glass door	\$3,000

Board discussed the low number of applications in comparison to previous rounds. The Board discussed the applications, noting Adelaide Malibu's initiative in gaining ORS Government Funding to offset the cost of their project.

That Squash SA provides 2012 Facility Enhancement Grant Project funding of \$3,000 to Adelaide Malibu Squash Club and \$3,000 to Pembroke School.

Move: Alex Ryan Second: George DeVizio Carried.

3.4 Squash SA Business Plan

PS tabled the Squash SA Business Plan originally tabled with the Board in September 2011 (Stretch Operational Plan). The GM reviewed the Plan in order to re-assess the relevance of the Plan against the existing staffing structure and to provide an update on each action listed in the plan over the past 12 months.

The GM has integrated the Operational Plan with the Strategic Plan to ensure its connectivity. The revised integrated document was badged and named 2012 Business Plan.

The next step is to meet with Staff to establish a Business Plan for the next 12 months (July 2012 to June 2013) aligned with resources and realistic outcomes.

The Strategic Plan will need to be rewritten as the current Strategic Plan expires in June 2013.

The Board suggested holding a separate Board Meeting in October/November to discuss the Strategic Plan.

The Board noted the Business Plan document.

4. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

4.1 General Overview Report

4.1.1 OHS Report

No accidents or incidents to be reported.

4.1.2 General Report

- SRASA Chart of Accounts has been reduced from 160 to 35 accounts to introduce a more concise reporting format. Operating budgets are aligned with the new chart of accounts. The new chart of accounts will be introduced from July 01, 2012. The Finance and Audit Committee will meet to on 16 August, 2012 to review the cash flow forecasts (July to December), loan commitments and the 2012/13 first quarter Operational Budgets.
- The 2012 AGM notice has been distributed to members. The 2012 end of financial year audit has been initiated. The Annual Report is in draft format.
- Clubs SA have agreed to analyse the current catering agreement and to provide Industry advice regarding the options available to Racquets.
- Andrew Rogers Lawyers were provided with a brief regarding the purpose of 1303 South Road and the relationship of this property to Sport and Recreation and Community Activity. Andrew Rogers Lawyers are disputing the land tax applied to 1303 South Road land, with Revenue SA.
- Initiated the second contract negotiation meeting with Spring-A-Food Services.

- Karadinga Sports Centre lease is due to expire in June 2013. The club is interested in a partnership with Squash SA when resigning a long term lease with the Modbury Uniting Church. The GM has declared a conflict of interest and will nominate a Board Member or staff delegate to work through future negotiations involving Squash SA, Karadinga and the Modbury Uniting Church.
- The GM will hold a Life Members / Stakeholder information session on 29 August 2012.
- Adelaide Shores Indoors Sporting Hub has been placed on the back burner. Adelaide Shores recently announced that the first stage of the Adelaide Shores Master Plan has received funding of \$2.2M from the State and Federal Governments to develop Synthetic Playing field and lighting.
- Campbelltown Council missed out on Regional Development Funding but have been invited to re-submit under the next funding round.
- Women's Development Strategy – progress, workshop at National Teams Event in SA or at Aust Open. CJ and AR to confirm their attendance at Australian Open in Canberra.

5. FINANCE (Reports Circulated Electronically)

5.1 Racquets SA

PT to provide a full briefing once the Finance Committee has met on 16 August 2012. PT spoke to the Income Statements, and expressed the need to introduce a system that will track Racquets SA patronage and the areas (bar, gaming, and bistro) most frequented during their visit.

PT suggested removing Insurance claim currently listed as an asset on the balance sheet.

ACTION

The Board accept the financial reports.

Move: Lynton Franzi

Second: George DeVizio

Carried.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 2012 AGM

PS reminded Directors of the nomination and election process for outgoing Directors. 4 Directorship positions are due for election. One Casual Board vacancy exists. The Board suggested the casual position could be filled with a court owner/operator or a marketing portfolio.

6.2 Racquetball Bylaws

SAb to email the proposed Racquetball Bylaw changes to the Board for ratification.

6.3 National Dunlop Ball Sponsorship

Squash SA, as with all State / Territories, sits within a National Dunlop Ball Sponsorship. The agreement requires Squash SA to provide Dunlop balls at all pennant competitions and Squash SA tournaments. Venue Operators are under no commitment to exclusively sell this Dunlop balls.

PW to source list of local distributors for Dunlop balls and provide to Court Owners that are having difficulty with supply.

7. POLICY

No policies to note.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

In

8.1 Mike Corren Sponsorship Proposal

8.2 Justin Beard Sponsorship Proposal

PS noted that here is no budget provision for Talented Athlete funding in the 2012/13 budgets

Board Discussion:

- Fund one sponsorship
- Fund two sponsorships
- Fund part percentage of 2 sponsorships

The Board discussed the pros and cons of each player, against criteria expectations. The Board determined to fund one player.

Mike Corren

\$5,000 Sponsorship funding is offered to Mike Corren (2012/2013). The funding will be payable in two instalments of \$2,500 and premised upon setting agreed performance targets with the Performance Pathways Team leader, James Rogers. PS to write to Mike Corren.

Moved: Philip Teale Seconded: Alex Ryan Carried.

Justin Beard

Decision not to fund Justin Beard. This decision was premised upon the application not meeting the Boards criteria and identified priorities. The Board wish Justin well with his overseas endeavours. Squash SA will provide coaching opportunities within the Performance Pathway and Club network upon Justin's return to Adelaide. PS to write to Justin Beard.

Moved: Philip Teale Seconded: Alissa Proctor Carried.

8.3 Con Psaromatis – Board Resignation.

The Board accepted Cons resignation from the Board.

Out

No outgoing correspondence to note.

9. **SQUASH AUSTRALIA**

MG attended the Squash Australia Presidents Meeting held 14 July, 2012 in Sydney (paid for by Squash Australia). The key discussions included:

- 2018 Commonwealth Games at Gold Coast. New Squash Centre to be built in Brisbane or Gold Coast.
- The need to establish a prospectus for future development of Squash courts/facilities. MG has joined the National Facilities Committee.
- The new Matrix.

PS and Squash Victoria have recommended to Squash Australia that they link the IMG payment software program with the Matrix competition software. Squash SA has declined involvement in the trial period.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

11. **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Racquets SA Study

Discussion held in Camera

12. **BOARD DIARY**

Next Meeting Wednesday, 29 August, 2012

AGM Monday, 17 September, 2012

13. **CLOSE MEETING**

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.