# MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY SPORT

**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR EXTERNAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER POSITION**

**29 March 2021**

Melbourne University Sport (MU Sport) is looking for a suitably qualified person to become an external member of the Board. An external member is one who is not currently employed by the University of Melbourne.

**Organisation**

MU Sport is a department of the University reporting to the PVC (Student Life) and the Advisory Board in accordance with the MU Sport Charter approved by the Vice Chancellor.

MU Sport provides professional management of the fitness, sports and recreation facilities, clubs, programs and activities of the University and works closely with all stakeholders and external strategic partners in delivering sport and physical recreation opportunities for the University community in accordance with strategic and operational plans.

Sport has a special significance for the University through the performance of sporting clubs, teams and student athletes that enhance the reputation of the University. The vision for sport is that Sport Matters at Melbourne – it Inspires, Connects and Leads.

The objectives of MU Sport are to:

* Enhance the campus experience and improve the physical wellbeing of all students and staff by providing opportunities to engage in regular physical activity at the University
* Support the development of leadership capabilities in programs and clubs that enable students, staff and alumni to demonstrate leadership and active citizenship
* Provide opportunities for student athletes, clubs and teams to compete successfully at events and competitions that engage our students, staff and alumni
* Provide access to quality facilities for all sport and club programs
* Determine and implement appropriate duty of care and risk management practices
* Ensure the recruitment and ongoing support for student athletes
* Be responsible for the oversight and management of the activities of all affiliated sporting clubs
* Recognise the achievements of athletes, teams and clubs with Sporting Awards and Blues
* Support alumni engagement activities and encourage giving to support clubs, sporting programs and facility development
* Collect, curate and display archival material on the sporting history of the University to engage visitors, alumni and current and prospective students;

**Responsibilities of the Advisory Board**

The responsibilities of the Advisory Board are as follows:

* Advise on sport strategic and capital plans in the context of the University’s strategic plans and monitor performance against the plans
* Advise on sport and recreation policy
* Advise on medium and long-term planning of the University sport and recreation facilities
* Monitor and advise on industry developments relevant to the provision of University sport and recreation
* Advise on the affiliation requirements and procedures for clubs
* Receive reports from the Director on the operation and activities of MU Sport
* Advise on philanthropic fundraising and other revenue raising for MU Sport

**Membership**

The Advisory Board consists of eleven members; a Chair, the PVC (Student Life), the Director of Sport, three external members, two University of Melbourne staff members (one who is the Vice Chancellor’s nominee), two currently enrolled University of Melbourne students and one member appointed by the PVC (Student Life).

**Term of Position**

Internal members are appointed for a three-year term and may be re-appointed for one further three-year term.

**Duties of Position**

The role of the Advisory Board Members:

* To attend meetings and actively participate in the deliberations of the Board
* Champion sport and recreation within the University and externally
* Support the strategic objectives of MU Sport and the University

**Selection Criteria**

* Knowledge and understanding of sport and fitness industry
* Experience in board management
* High level leadership and management skills
* Strategic management experience in sport, University or non-profit organisations

**Time Commitment for Advisory Board Members**

The Advisory Board meets at least four times a year. Extra time may be required to attend functions or events on behalf of the Board or participate in working groups or sub-committees as required by the Board.

**Applications and Enquiries**

Please address any enquiries and written applications to Jean-Luc Garlick by 26 April 2021, Secretary, MU Sport, Ph. 8344 7808, email: j.garlick@unimelb.edu.au