

**MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY SPORT BOARD
MEETING 4/2015 – 17 SEPTEMBER 2015**

The minutes of meeting 4/2015 of the Melbourne University Sport Board was held on Thursday 17 September 2015 at 9.00am in the Function Room at the Ernie Cropley Pavilion.

PRESENT:

Professor James Angus (Chair)
Mr Grant Williams
Professor Margaret Abernethy
Professor Richard James
Mr Andrew Gillies
Ms Kate Roffey
Mr Adrian Collette

APOLOGIES:

Mr James Marburg

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr Tim Lee (Director)
Dr Kerry Ferguson
Ms Elizabeth Tregoning (acting Secretary)
Mr Chris Harvey
Mr Rod Warnecke
Mr Alex Affleck
Ms Joy Villalino
Ms Julie Caundle (note taker)

1. WELCOME, APOLOGIES AND INTRODUCTION

1.1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies

Apologies were noted.

1.3 Minutes from previous meeting

The minutes were passed as a true and accurate record.

1.4 Confirmation of Circular Resolutions

There were no circular resolutions to confirm.

1.5 Business Arising/Action Item Updates

1.5.1 Strategic Plan Review

The Executive Summary was distributed prior to the meeting.

1.5.2 Sporting Club Funding Review

The paper was attached to the Director's report.

1.5.3 Finance Report

The external accounts will be provided with the September quarterly report at the November Board meeting.

2. MATTERS FOR DECISION

2.1 2016 Budget

The Director presented the 2016 Budget and commentary to the Board and noted that the budget had been prepared by the senior management team in conjunction with relevant MU Sport staff.

Professor Abernethy asked for clarification on the income figures for 2015. The Director noted this figure was a forecast only. Depreciation of \$400k has been removed from the budget, however expenditure has increased due to this amount being allocated to maintenance, clubs and capital. Of the \$400k depreciation, an additional \$200k is to be allocated to clubs and an additional \$100k towards maintenance resulting in a surplus of \$100k. The Director noted that the majority of the budget items have been established for some time with no shift to the budget priorities for the last few years.

The Chair requested that the 2016 Budget Report be updated to include the 2015 budget and forecast figures in the right hand column for the next Board meeting. It was also requested that the expenditure commentary be updated for clarification and that 'add Back Depreciation' be replaced with 'add Back *Equipment* Depreciation'.

The Director referred to the unfunded projects being the Shared Services Model to reduce demands on volunteers and ensuring MU Sport fund the compliance issues of the University rather than put that responsibility on the clubs. A full suite of services will be offered including, financial, marketing and web support. This will provide MU Sport with a good oversight of the clubs operations and provide clubs with greater flexibility.

Professor James enquired if this service would deliver a cost saving to the organisation where a percentage could be redeemed for providing this service. The Director advised that clubs will not incur a fee for this service. The Director noted that the Board is required to endorse the budget for presentation to the University Finance Committee in late October. University Finance do not receive the same budget document as presented to the Board but an abridge version in a format mandated by the Finance Committee

Motion: The MU Sport Board approved the 2016 Budget for submission to University Finance Committee.

2.2 Blues Advisory Group Terms of Reference

Mr Warnecke presented the proposal to establish the Blues Advisory Group.

Mr Warnecke outlined the history of the Blues and the process and consultation with stakeholders leading to the proposal. The proposal is consistent with the Board of Sport responsibility for sport at the University and that the representative sport program, from where students are nominated for Blues, is managed by MU Sport and that the decision making should rest with the University appointed Board. There is no change to the process of the awarding of Blues and that the current Blues involved in the process would be invited to continue.

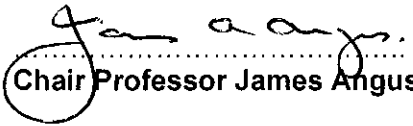
6.1 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 11.00am.

6.2 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 12 November at 6.00pm in the Sports Centre Boardroom.

Signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record:


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Chair Professor James Angus

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Date