

**Women's Standing Committee Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**  
**Football West Boardroom, Lord Street, Perth**

<b>No</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Comment</b>
1	Meeting open 6.00pm Welcome & Apologies	Present: Dave Scragg (Wanneroo City), Conrad McKelvie (Northern Redbacks), Tracey Wheeler (Beckenham Angels), Peta Van Heurck (UWA), Keith Wood (Football West)  Apologies: Jen Normanton (Subiaco), Jessine Bonzas (NTC Coach)
2	Previous Minutes & Matters arising	Previous minutes seconded and signed as a true record.  Matters arising. <b>Coach accreditation</b> information still not obtained from the Coach Education Department, Keith would take ownership and produce report. <b>Cup Final Date</b> feedback received regarding the cup finals being held on a Saturday in August while the season is still taking place, Keith to liaise with the competitions department to look at an alternative date.

3	Chairman's Report	<p>Acknowledged the resignation of Felim Rugel who, due to work commitments has ceased to be active in the female game and felt that he could not contribute to the committee, thanks was expressed for his short but enthusiastic time on the committee.</p> <p>Welcome was made to Peta Van Heurck who has been co-opted onto the committee and her appointment was endorsed by the board at its last meeting.</p> <p>Observation was made as to the amount of advertisements and clubs currently without a coach, discussion took place as to the implications on standards of development and the impact to the introduction of the National Premier League.</p>
4	2017 World Masters	<p>Representations was made by Mhairi Glover for the committee and Football West's support for World Masters Games to be held in Auckland in April 2017.</p> <p>Background and proposals were put to the committee requesting that financial and logistical support was given to enable the fielding of representative teams to take part.</p> <p>An in principle recommendation was made that Football West provide assistance to advertise expressions of interest for players and coaches, conduct trials if required and, once provided with cost projection look at some financial support for the venture.</p> <p>It was felt by the committee to be a good start in have WA representative female squads taking part in interstate and overseas competitions and to be the ideal opportunity to identify the need for a "masters" type female league in the near future.</p>

5	NPL Introduction / Road Map	<p>In the absence of Chris Beech who could not attend the meeting Keith presented the Football West view and gave insight into the FFA proposal to introduce the Women's National Premier League Country wide and the discussions that have already taken place regarding the proposed framework model in WA.</p> <p>It is felt that the introduction should be phased and gradual to allow clubs to establish some of the criteria that may be lacking currently such as Junior Development programs.</p> <p>However there would be some "non-negotiable" criteria that begins with coach accreditation for NPL coaches and the introduction of no interchange substitutes in the first team games.</p> <p>There would also be an "age specific" team to be agreed upon to encourage youth development underpinning the League, currently there are Premier and Division 1 clubs with no Junior League teams.</p> <p>It was agreed that the NPL branding could be considered to the existing Premier League at time of introduction providing the "non-negotiable" criteria is met.</p> <p>Football West will be inviting all interested clubs to attend an information session at the earliest opportunity to open discussion and consultation with clubs that may have questions or concerns.</p> <p>Post meeting it was found that current State League coach accreditation identified deficiencies in qualifications Out of the 19 State League Clubs only 7 Head Coaches, (36%) had any in date accreditation, 6 of which currently hold C Licence with 1 having the B Licence. Out of the 6 holding the current C Licence 3 are enrolled on the B Licence Course. That leave 12 clubs that have Head Coaches with no in date FFA accreditation, only two of these are currently in the process of completing the C Licence course.</p> <p>Total Figures out of the 19 Clubs:</p> <p>B Licence:           1 (5%) C Licence:           6 (31%) No Accreditation: 12 (64%)</p> <p>As a matter of priority this would need to be addressed to meet the NPL criteria framework proposed.</p>
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6	Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>
11	Meeting Ended 7.15pm	Next meeting to be arranged.

Signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting held on    /    /    Chair signature    \_\_\_\_\_

SC Member    \_\_\_\_\_