



Ku-Ring-Gai Netball Association Inc. ABN: 22 897 530 107
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EXECUTIVE MEETING – Tuesday 25th November 2024 at 8:00pm via Zoom.

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Rod Jackson (chair), Ruth Havrlant, Helen Pratt, Gillian Boyd and Mick Flarey.
Apology: Ian Eldershaw.

1. Minutes of previous Executive Meetings

Minutes of our Meeting 14th October 2024 can be found by clicking the following link:
https://www.kna.com.au/files/ugd/80a24e_ea5b3c4f96334b71937443d98e044209.pdf

Accepted as true and correct. There was no business arising from these Minutes.

2. Election of Vice President.

This role is really to council and guide the KNA President and to have someone to bounce ideas off of. Ruth Havrlant was unanimously elected to this role. Our hearty congratulations to her.

3. Executive Portfolios

Marc Gossett has put his hand up to be on the Executive. He has missed the cut off date of the AGM so we would need to ratify that at the next SGM in March. But if in discussing portfolios tonight, we could certainly put his name into the ring with that, which I think would be appropriate. NSG would be a natural fit for him with younger children.

RJ wants to do a lot of work in the back end on a few things with his intention is to let whoever is looking after these portfolios really try and activate them and to work in tandem with me with some of the ideas I have. He has done a lot of work with the Australian Sports Commission, and they have an Association pack, and it sets out different guidelines for Associations from a governance point of view, and that's what we want to try and align to.

North Shore United: RJ's key thing for NSU is where is it going to be in five- or ten-year's time and how is it sustainable because it's going through different changes. We've got good people on the ground at present, but we want to make sure that we're looking into the future and supporting them as much as we can. RJ wants to implement some of the report from Matt George and start to get some of that running on the ground. RJ on the board and GB to move to another role within NSU – RJ to discuss with GB what this role entails.



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Coaching: Mick Flarey
Competition: Mick Flarey. RJ has some ideas and people to help.
Grounds: Gill Boyd
Umpiring: Gill Boyd
Reps: Ruth Havlant
NSG: Marc Gossett.

4. Competition Update including Gala Days

a. Moving U9 to Saturday.

- i. Under nines to Saturday mornings.

b. What to do with Thursday nights.

- i. Then with what do we do with Thursday nights? There is limited enthusiasm for moving any grades from Saturday to Thursday nights. There was the talk of doing a new mix competition on a Thursday night. The timings for people to get there, even seniors, would mean only two time slots not three. If we could run a Mixed Comp (including boys), run it with a bit of atmosphere, making it as cost effective as possible for those playing in the Saturday winter comp as well. Discussion turned to whether a Fast 5 comp would work. It was noted that it's hard for teams to get 9 or 10 players, so Fast 5 (with two spares) would be ideal. 6 Minute quarters, you could more games through. I think we have to change it up to get the numbers registering. The Executive decided to run a Mixed Fast 5 competition on Thursday nights, open to 15's and up. Two time slots – 6 to 7 and 7 to 8.
6 to 7: Inters Mixed social comp. 14-week comp.
7 to 8: Mixed Fast 5 comp 15's and up. 14-week comp.

c. Boys.

- i. We currently allow boys to play until 12. So there is a gap between the 12's and 17's that we need to fill. After much discussion, The executive decided that trial allowing boys in Inters, making it a mixed comp in 2025 with similar rules as per Spring comp. Thoughts as to limiting two boys to a team, instead of three. Discussion then led to what to do with the two boys who are now aged in Cadets. Do we add them as well? HP to canvass Clubs to ask their thoughts on this.



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5. Grounds Update

a. Grounds Duty roster for the season (MF)

- i. MF asked that the Grounds Duty roster be put out as soon as possible after paper grading has been issued and have the entire season, not just to Day 5. This would help with planning and getting the number of volunteers needed. HP to chat to DF re this.

6. Marketing / Sponsorship Update

- a. HL is currently driving engagement with our Facebook and Instagram accounts using our rich and varied history. The historical photos have been well received and he will continue to guide this process during the non netball season.
- b. HL will start some games etc on socials to provide engagement – Dave Donkin is sponsoring this.
- c. Magpies Waitara is now a sponsor - \$7,500 each year.
- d. An accountant in Turrumurra has also joined our Sponsorship program. He possible could help with our audit each year if required.
- e. A builder has also joined the ranks of our sponsors.

7. NSG Update

a. Setting of NSG game times.

- i. After much discussion, it was decided that the times for 2025 at Lofberg are to be as follows:
 - a. 8am/9am 8's games
 - b. 10am/11am 7's games
 - c. 12pm/1pm 6's games
 - d. 12pm/1pm 5's skills sessions and short game.

8. Any other business

a. PLC Teams entering our Winter competition.



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- i. PLC will enter teams into our NSG grades in 2025 – Kindy to year 3 – so one or two teams in each year group, with the idea that they join a smaller club providing all the resources they need themselves. RJ to chat to CC re this.

b. 2025 SGM meeting places.

- i. SGM's Forums, and AGM to be held there each year. KNA exec encourages all functions to be held there. Everyone should sign up, then their spend goes towards the sponsorship for the following year.

c. "Blue Vest" program (MF)

Spectator Behaviour:

Incident Reporting - onus is on the club. Any incident needs to go back to the club to report with the President to sign off on the incident.

Each team has a 'blue shirt' that looks after behaviour in their team. The blue shirt then has a list of duties / guidance for each of their games to make sure that behaviour is managed.

The 'blue shirt' then becomes the point of contact at the court, before issues are escalated to the complex

All junior grades

MF raised the issue of this being too big a burden for a team parent to do. There is also the issue of getting the volunteer in the first place. The Executive decided to look at this again in February meeting.

There was no further business, and the meeting closed at 9:10pm.

Whilst our next Executive meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 18th February 2025, the Executive will meet prior to that, on 21st January at 8pm via Zoom.