

MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY CLUB FORUM

12 October 2016

The notes of the Melbourne University Sport Club Forum held on Wednesday 12 October 2016 at 6.00pm in the Ernie Cropley Pavilion Function Room.

PRESENT:

Professor Jim Angus (Chair)
Professor Richard James (Board member)
Mr Grant Williams (Board member)
Ms Hana Dalton (Board member)
Mr Tim Lee (Director)
Mr Rod Warnecke (Sport Development Manager)
Mr Chris Harvey (Advancement Manager)
Mr Jean-Luc Garlick (Business Development Manager)
Mr Alex Affleck (Operations Manager)
Ms Joy Villalino (Marketing Manager)
Mr Andrew Walker (Clubs Coordinator – note taker)

APOLOGIES:

Mr Adrian Collette (Vice-Principal Engagement)
Ms Kate Roffey (MU Sport Board)
Ms Maggie Abernethy (MU Sport Board)
Ms Dianna Gu (Fencing)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Michael Shaw – Aikido
Hamish Beaumont - Athletics
Keiran Warnock – Baseball
Jason Kotchoff – Basketball
Derek Bennett – Cricket
Andrew Donald – Football
Rob Hanna – Football
Laura Kane – Football
Ash Bye – Football
Kerry Hwang – Futsal
Robert Smith – Gridiron
James Stewart – Hockey
Cheryl Low – Kendo
Winnie Teo – Kendo
Rita Sargeant - Lacrosse
Jake Allan – Lacrosse
Zanthe Burke – Netball
Natalie Care – Mountaineering
Daniel Cocker – Mountaineering
Mitchell Stephen – Mountaineering
Jason Jones - Rugby
Sam Doyle – Ski
Brooke Dunleavy – Snowboard
Tom Mullumby – Soccer
Michael Owen - Soccer

Molly Hoak – Softball
Lucas Bedinga – Squash
Kerrod Moller- Nielsen – Surfriders
Harry Bradley – Surfriders
Ella Keogh – Swimming
David Pham – Table Tennis
Ying Lim – Taekwondo (Rhee)
Veronica Li – Tai Chi and Wushu
Branka Potkonjak – Tennis
Miranda Clark – Tennis
Jessica Roberts – Touch
Andrew Gillies – Touch
Paul Rogers – Touch
Scott Starkey – Touch
Christopher Hebbard - Underwater
Liam Loh – Ultimate Frisbee
Gus Cirillo – Volleyball
Matthew Keen – Water Polo
Jason Mackaway – Water Polo
Lincoln Reeves – Waterski and Wakeboard
Christopher Hebbard – Waterski and Wakeboard
David Jame - Weightlifting and Powerlifting
Bob Girdwood – MUSA

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Professor Jim Angus took the Chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chair outlined that the Club Forums were an opportunity to discuss major club issues and the strategic direction of sport at the University. Notes and presentations from the previous forums could be found on the MU Sport website.

The Chair noted apologies.

2. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/NOTING

2.1 Sport Strategic Plan

The Director provided an update on sport:

RIO OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES

17 students, alumni and club members represented Australia in Rio including gold medalists Kim Brennan (Rowing) and Dylan Alcott (Wheelchair Tennis). The University was very proud of everyone's efforts.

CLUB SPORT FINALS

A large number of winter clubs experienced finals success through August and September. The MU Lightning won the Victorian Netball League Championship division title for the first time; women's Big V basketball were Division 2 runners-up; Uni Blacks and Uni Blues were VAFA Premier A finalists as were women's hockey in the Vic League.

ORIENTATION AND OPEN DAY

Semester 2 Orientation again provided clubs with the opportunity to showcase the array of programs and activities offered to the University community. The University's Open Day was also provided prospective students with an understanding of sport and recreational opportunities on and off campus. Thank you to all clubs that participated in each of these events.

MUMC MT FEATHERTOP HUT IS 50 YEARS OLD

Well done to the Mountaineering Club for their efforts in maintaining the Hut as a shelter available for the Victorian outdoors community for 50 years.

STUDENT SERVICES AND AMMENTIES FEE

Sport will have access to three categories of funding going forward:

- New Contingency 5% (\$800,000 in 2017)
- New Funding Grants - \$5m from surplus
- Sport base funding will be 20% of the total SSAF collected annually until 2019. \$3.1m in 2017 - 25% (\$540K) increase from 2016.

Additional funds are also expected to be allocated to facility capital development. Clubs will be supported to apply additional SSAF funds, and a more rigorous measurement of the impact of SSAF will be established by the University.

CLUB GOVERNANCE REVIEW

The Director referenced that the Club Governance Review draft paper had been distributed to clubs with feedback now being sought.

Mr Stephen (Mountaineering) requested an extension for the submission of feedback on the Club Governance Review, seconded by Mr Stewart (Hockey).

Mr Jame (Weightlifting and Powerlifting) requested slides in advance so questions could be provided to MU Sport before the Forum.

NONA LEE SPORTS CENTRE

The Director advised that the Sports Centre had recently been officially named the Nona Lee Sports Centre in recognition of the substantial philanthropy to sport by Ms Nona Lee (deceased).

SSAF GRANT SCHEME

Clubs could apply to the University for grants for student focused programs;

- \$10,000 or less
- \$50,000 or less
- \$250,000 or less

The Grant Scheme will be opened annually.

- Grants can be for projects, including, but not limited to clubs and societies, student services and transitioning new students.
- The project needs to be in line with SSAF Guidelines and University's strategy and student experience goals
- The programs meets a service gap for students

- Can include a partner organisation internal and external
- Project description to outline
- Number of students involved
- Importance
- Expected outcomes
- Collaboration across the University
- Grants will require the support of MU Sport.
 - Student development program
 - Equipment purchase
 - Special event – international tour

2.2 Sport Capital Infrastructure Plan/Capital Bids

Mr Affleck presented on capital bids for 2017 relating to the South Precinct Project and Sports Precinct Project including the; Beaurepaire Centre, Nona Lee Sports Centre, Athletics Track, Hockey Pitch and Main Oval. Both projects were not approved but were rated desirable and highly desirable respectively.

Discussion followed about future of the bids. The Chair concluded this is an ongoing process and MU Sport would continue to advance the projects.

2.3 Club Funding Report and Funding Principles

Mr Warnecke presented the 2016 Club Funding Report and Membership Data. Additionally Mr Warnecke outlined the principles on which clubs were funded in line with the recommendations of the 2014 Club Funding Review; maintaining pre 2014 funding, facilities, people and major equipment. Ms Hoak (Softball) asked about funding for growing clubs. Mr Warnecke responded that this should be addressed at Club Strategic Meetings between club office bearers and MU Sport.

Mr Stewart (Hockey) asked for clarification around GST. Mr Warnecke said the question will be taken under notice.

2.4 Sport Development Report

Mr Warnecke presented on Uni Games, Club Strategic Meetings and Club Annual General Meetings.

3. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT FORUM

The next Club Forum for 2017 will be confirmed.

4. FORUM CLOSED

The Forum closed at 7.00pm.

Club Forum Action Items

Agenda Item	Item Title	Action	Person(s) Responsible
Item 1 Sport Strategic Plan	Club Governance Review	Extension of deadline for feedback.	Mr Warnecke and Mr Walker
Item 1 Sport Strategic Plan	Club Governance Review	Provide the presentation slides to the clubs prior to the Forum.	Mr Warnecke and Mr Walker
Item 2.3 Matters for Discussion/Noting	Club Funding and Principles	Provide clarification to Mr Stewart (Hockey) about how GST relates to Club Funding.	Mr Warnecke and Mr Walker