

## CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION

### **CSSA Annual General Meeting 2015**

Tuesday 31 March 2015 Mamre Anglican School 45 Bakers Lane Kemps Creek 2759

#### Attendance:

Linda Heslehurst: Executive Officer, Amanda Butterworth: Assistant EO, , Neil Wescombe: Treasurer, Tim Johnson: Cedars CC, Warren Melville: Dubbo CS, Carolyn Billiards: Dubbo CSTroy Dixon: Inaburra, Rebecca Jackson: Macquaries AGS, Rob Powell: Maitland CS, Alison Antaky: Mar Narsai, Victoria Tatian: Mar Narsai, SamLett: Mt View AC, Fiona Vili: Mt View AC, Daniel Nixon: Nepean CS, Chris Atwood: Nepean CS, Rod Braine: Norwest CC, Lisa Mallard: Nth Beaches CS, Lisa Phillips: Nth Beaches CS, Hailey Tantalos: Oxford Falls Andrew Waters: Pacific Hills CS, Justin Cox: Pacific Hills CS, Paul McConnell: Pacific Hills CS, Belinda Dell: Pacific Hills CS, Andrew Hutchinson: Penrith CS, Alex Jennings: Regents Park CS, David Hampstead: Regents Park CS, Lachlan Cowling: Richard Johnson AS, Sam Napper: Richard Johnson AS, Stewart Rowe: Richard Johnson AS, Melissa Page: Rouse Hill AC, Rob Archer: St George CS, Michael Capilli: Summerland CC, Kerrie Baker: Sutherland Shire CS, Rachel Dunne: Sutherland Shire CS, Maria Keehan: The Lakes CC, Gordon Bromhead: Tyndale CS, Rebecca Dillon: Tyndale CS, Rachel James: William Carey CS

#### **Apologies:**

Ben Robins: Belmont CC, Mark Hall: Belmont CC, Steve Dodd: Berowra CCS, Chad Kentwell: Carinya CS Gunnedah, Mark Wynn: Cedars CC, David Sochon: Coffs Harbour CCS, Jay Travaskis: Covenant CS, Tanya Hammond: Covenant CS, Ken McCarron: Greenacre Baptist, Michael Baldwin: Heritage CS, David Haes: Loquat Valley AP, Joanne Vint: Macarthur ACC, Marie Smith: Maitland CS, Julie Kennedy: Mamre AS, Stewart van Bentum: Oxford Falls GS, Stephen Moore: St George CS, Michelle Timperley: Toongabbie CS, Andrew Stewart: Wycliffe CS

Item	Response and Actions
Devotions	<ul> <li>→ Confidence and trust in ability is important for performance.</li> <li>→ Philippians 3 – Our confidence lies in Jesus – who has done something we could never do.</li> <li>→ Vocation – a sense of calling – to sport and teaching. Our vocation as Christians is to seek him – we can be confident in our calling through him and be confident in what it is he wants us to do – a life focussed on Christ.</li> </ul>
1.0 Accept minutes from AGM 2014 - Tabled – Linda	<ul> <li>→ Seconded: Tim Johnson</li> <li>→ Accepted: Unanimously</li> </ul>
2.0 Presidents Report     Not presented due to Julie Kennedy's absence	→ Report to be sent out with minutes.
3.0 Treasurer's Report  - Tabled – Neil Wescombe  O No problems found by auditor O Profit reflected in the statement is due to fees coming in in 2014 for 2015	<ul> <li>→ Full audited report available through Linda</li> <li>→ Seconded: Rachel James</li> <li>→ Accepted: Unanimously</li> </ul>

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4.0 Executive Officer Report	
- Tabled – Linda Heslehurst	→ Seconded: Rachel James
	→ Accepted: Unanimously
<ul> <li>5.0 Confirm Committee of Management Members         <ul> <li>No new members / no vacancies for general COM members.</li> </ul> </li> <li>6.0 Annual Report/ CIS 2015         <ul> <li>Tabled - Amanda Butterworth</li> <li>Contains information from the previous year including results, teams, dates, contacts, awards etc from all sports.</li> <li>Significant website updates over the past year. All information for CIS and CSSA readily available on the website including CIS events, player lists, player notes, links to CIS information etc.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>→ Vacancy for a principle rep - preferably a secondary principle rep from a larger school.</li> <li>→ Annual report available on CSSA website</li> <li>→ Continue to witness to CIS and other associations well by striving for excellence. le nominations in on time etc.</li> <li>→ Check the website for information before you e-mail asking for it.</li> <li>→ Some information from CIS is taking a while to get onto the website due to technical issues.</li> </ul>
7.0 CSSA Website update  Upgrading to a format which is able to be accessed on tablets and smartphones etc. Term 2 information will be the first to be updated.	→ May not be able to access website during the holidays due to updates
State Cross country     Online entries	→ Online entries will be available W1 T2.School code used for CIS is what you use for entries.
<ul> <li>Course officials         There have been issues with supervision on the course due to course officials using their phones / iPads for social purposes while supposed supervising. Injured competitors going unnoticed.     </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>→ Course officials responsible for maintaining the course 200m either side of their checkpoint.</li> <li>→ iPads banned on the course.</li> <li>→ Phones are allowed for safety purposes but are not to be used for social purposes.</li> <li>→ No animals allowed on the course.</li> </ul>
CSSA officials – working with children check	→ Any official being sent to a CSSA event must have a working with children number.
Swim towel - Lisa Mallard	
<ul> <li>Hoodie towel made in school colours and with logo etc</li> </ul>	→ Contact Lisa Mallard if interested.

Close AGM 11.00am



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#### **Executive Officer Report 2014**

26 years ago on the 28 September 1988 the Christian Schools Sports Association was formed and became an Incorporated body. Many of our founding Principals have retired in the past few years leaving the responsibility of upholding & maintaining their vision to foster Christian thought and practice through sporting events within and between schools with you and me.

Many outside the Association may ask "Why have a Christian Sports Association?"

The motto of Covenant Christian School is "All Knowledge through Christ".

They state: .....The Christian believes that there are no neutral facts, that everything is related to God and has significance beyond this life. ... Christian education involves every subject of knowledge.. ... Christian education requires a Christian point of view for the whole curriculum; a God-centred program in every department ... A Christian school seeks to be Christian every hour of the school day.

www.covenant.nsw.edu.au/why-christian-school.html

As sports teachers and coaches we have a unique relationship with our students. We have the opportunity to share our faith with them and show them what it means to be a Christian both on and off the sporting field. By doing this we are not only proclaiming the Kingdom of God but bringing glory & honour to our Lord Jesus Christ.

 $\label{lem:coach_from_washington} A former coach from Washington Redskins "Vince Lombardi" was famous for his statement:$ 

"Winning isn't the most important thing: it is the only thing"

Shortly before Vince Lombardi died he declared: "I wish I'd never said it. I did not mean for people to crush human values and morality" <a href="https://www.vincelombardi.com/quotes.html">www.vincelombardi.com/quotes.html</a>

As Christians good sportsmanship should be our "Golden Rule". We should encourage our students to treat others as we would like to be treated. We should desire for our opponent what we desire for ourselves. The desire to win should not take precedence over being honest and showing respect. This is how we can honour God.

It is however important to remember that we must always point our students to Christ. If we only focused on "good sportsmanship" we would not be any different to the secular sporting world that also encourages fair play.

The CSSA Committee of Management is responsible for reviewing and implementing Policies and Procedures to ensure that the Association's aims are achieved. Part of the review process undertaken in 2014 was to fine tune the CSSA Constitution and in particular our "Statement of Affirmation" and "Membership" requirements. These changes will ensure that as we move forward we do not compromise on what we believe to be important as Christian Educators.

In 2014 the Committee of Management also appointed Amanda Butterworth as the Assistant Executive Officer into a permanent part-time position. This has been a very successful appointment with Amanda introducing & implementing many new ideas into the Association. I have appreciated Amanda's input and Godly wisdom on many issues and look forward to working with her in the future. I'm sure you all agree that Amanda is a very valued member of the team.

I would like to thank the Committee of Management for their ongoing support and commitment to CSSA. In particular I would to thank the representatives from Country schools who spend many hours travelling to Sydney in their own time for meetings. The insight they give from a country schools perspective is invaluable and ensures that the needs of all schools in our association are taken into consideration.

Finally I would like to thank our hard working state convenors who back up year after year after year. Their continued support and commitment to CSSA means that we can offer our students the best opportunity to compete in a wide variety of sports to represent their school and Association using the gifts and talents God has given them. Please take the time to personally thank our State Convenors. Linda Heslehurst: CSSA Executive Officer

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