

I put myself forward for consideration as a candidate for the Central Zone Rep position. Below is a statement supporting my nomination for the role.

I believe we are all custodians of the game for future generations, and that we need to focus on the following areas for the game to continue to develop and prosper;

Governance - A effective board should be accessible, transparent, inclusive. The board should be able to report, explain and be answerable for decisions made on behalf of the football community.

Accessibility – we must ensure the game includes all ages, genders , abilities and skill levels. We must monitor costs, offer value, provide facilities, and increase our reach by developing the various game modes and participation pathways.

Management – of our resources; coaches, clubs, and referees for maximum effectiveness. As well as developing our assets; our volunteers, administrators, state and local government relationships for greatest efficiency.

Engagement – we need to inspire and inform our customers through quality communication, develop collaboration and consultation with all our stakeholders.

We all love football. I do too. I have been fortunate enough to be involved in the game for over 35 years in NSW and Victoria in various capacities; I have coached at community and elite level, I represented at Senior State Level and I continue to play. I've been a spectator at both the 2006 World Cup in Germany and more recently the 2015 Women's World Cup in Canada. I've been a certified referee; sat on boards /committees at multiple clubs. I have experienced the life as parent of a junior player. I have led team tours domestically and internationally.

I have studied in the field and worked formally within the industry, completing a Bachelor of Applied Science in Coaching and Sports Administration, as an employee of the FFV for 5 years. I am also currently a FFV community coach educator and a Coaching Mentor within the FFV CCC programme.

I believe my broad football experience combined enables me to become a valuable contributor as an FFV Zone representative.

The changes in the game over the last few years have been many and exciting to watch. I am motivated by the tremendous opportunities the future presents for the game. If elected I am keen to utilise my tenure to ensure the game continues to provide the large variety of experiences and opportunities I have been lucky enough to participate in.

If you would like to discuss this statement further, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for consideration of my nomination.