

1964

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



THE INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD

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HELD AT THE GRAND HOTEL, JERSEY ON SATURDAY, 20TH JUNE, 1964

Present: THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION: Messrs. J. H. W. Mears, Lt.-Col. C. F. Linnitt, C.C., J.P., B.Sc., J. Richards, J.P., S. A. Donaldson, D. Follows, M.B.E., B.A. (Secretary) and E. M. Miller.

THE IRISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION: Messrs. H. H. Cavan, G. H. Jones, J.P., T. Moorhead and W. J. Drennan (Secretary).

THE SCOTTISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION: Messrs. T. Reid, W. W. Terris, A. Wilson Strachan and W. P. Allan, J.P. (Secretary).

THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION OF WALES: Messrs. T. E. Russell, G. Jones, G. Owens and H. Powell (Secretary).

FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION: Sir Stanley Rous, C.B.E., Prof. Dr. M. Andrejevic, Mr. A. Lindenberg and Dr. H. Käser (Secretary).

Mr. J. H. W. Mears, the Chairman of The Football Association, presided and Mr. D. Follows acted as Secretary to the Meeting.

The Chairman welcomed the Members to Jersey and particularly the new Members attending their first meeting, namely Messrs. W. W. Terris and T. Moorhead. He mentioned also the fact that he was attending his first Board Meeting.

The Chairman made special reference to:-

- (a) the death of Dr. P. J. Bauwens, the Hon. President of the German F.A., at the age of 76. He had been connected with Association Football in his country for 60 years. He was the "Father" of the International Board, on which he had served since 1926. He was a Vice-President of the European Football Union and a prominent Member of F.I.F.A. Committees.
- (b) the death of Mr. J. M. Small, O.B.E., former Secretary and Hon. Treasurer of the Irish F.A., who was in his 97th year. He attended his first Board Meeting in 1921.
- (c) the absence of Mr. E. Coppola (F.I.F.A.) for which an apology was received.
- 1.—MINUTES The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in Venice in 1963 were confirmed.
- 2.—LAWS OF THE GAME—LAW 5, DECISION 4 The Meeting considered the following proposal put forward by the Football Association of Wales:—

PRESENT DECISION

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PROPOSED ALTERATION

The authority of the referee on the field of play and the exercise of the powers granted to him by the Laws of the game, commence with the kick-off. His discretionary powers operate from the time he enters the ground and its curtilage until such time as he leaves the ground and its curtilage. Players at fault may be sent off the field before the game has commenced.



The proposal was received sympathetically and was referred to the Committee of Study, which had been set up to review the Laws of the Game and the decisions associated therewith.

- 3.—MEMORANDUM OF CO-OPERATION BETWEEN REFEREES AND LINESMEN The Meeting considered a re-draft submitted by The Football Association on the above Memorandum as incorporated in the Universal Guide for Referees and the Referees' Chart. It was agreed to refer the Memorandum for consideration to the Committee of Study.
- 4.—TYPE OF FOOTBALL The Committee considered a letter from The Football Association, in which attention was drawn to the fact that many footballs in current use did not meet the requirements of Law 2 as the outer covering was not of leather.

 The Meeting felt that there was no objection to the use of the type of football referred to, but it was necessary to amend the International Board decision to cater for new and acceptable manufacturing methods.

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 It was agreed that the Committee should meet as soon as convenient to consider the specific matters referred to it from that Meeting, in addition to the re-examination of the Laws as agreed at the Venice Meeting.
- 6.—ANNUAL MEETING 1965 An invitation from the Scottish F.A. to meet in Edinburgh on the 19th June, 1965, was accepted.
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