

## **Board Member Agreement**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, understand that as a member of the Board of Directors of Melbourne University Soccer Club, I have a legal and ethical responsibility to ensure that the association does the best work possible in pursuit of its goals. I believe in the purpose and the mission of the club, and I will act responsibly and prudently as its steward. As part of my responsibilities as a board member:

1. I will interpret the club's work and values to the community, represent the association, and act as a spokesperson.

2. I will interpret our members' needs and values to the association, speak out for their interests and, on their behalf, hold the club accountable.

3. I will excuse myself from discussions and votes where I have a conflict of interest.

4. I will stay informed about club happenings. I will ask questions and request information. I will participate in and take responsibility for making decisions on issues, policies, and other matters. I will not stay silent if I have questions or concerns.

5. I will work in good faith with other board members and club volunteers as partners toward achievement of our goals.

6. If I don't fulfil these commitments to the club, I will expect the board chairperson to contact me and discuss my responsibilities with me.

In turn, the club will be responsible to me in the following ways:

1. I will be sent, without having to request them, monthly financial reports and an update of club activities that allow me to act prudently to discharge my duties as a board member.

2. Opportunities will be offered to me to discuss with the board chairperson the club's programs, goals, activities, and status; additionally, I can request such opportunities.

3. The club will help me perform my duties by keeping me informed about issues in the industry and field in which we are working and by offering me opportunities for professional development as a board member.

4. Board members and staff will respond in a straightforward fashion to questions that I feel are necessary to carry out my fiscal, legal, and moral responsibilities to this club. Board members will work in good faith with me toward achievement of our goals.

5. If the club does not fulfil its commitments to me, I can call on the board chairperson to discuss the club's responsibilities with me.

Signed:

**Board Member** 

Board Chair

Date