



FOOTBALL
NSW

GPT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION.

Proceeding under section 8.5 of the
FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations

Proceeding Details:

Tribunal reference	MGPT 17-27
Date of hearing	17 May 2017
Time of hearing	6:30pm
Venue of hearing	Football NSW
Tribunal Member(s)	Mendo CKLAMOVSKI
Respondent	Linda KHAMIS (FFA: 59191254)
Fixture	Women's National Premier League (WNPL1) Under 13s match between North Shore Mariners and FNSW Institute on 23 April 2017 at Northbridge Oval.

This Notice constitutes the General Purposes Tribunal's Determination resulting from the Tribunal hearing listed above.

Charge(s) and Determination(s):

Charge(s)	Tribunal determination
<p>1. The Respondent (Linda Khamis) disputed a decision of a Match Official or showed dissent (isolated incident) in breach of section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table B, Offence Code 02-01 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations 2017 (Regulations).</p>	<p>1. <u><i>Plea:</i></u> Not Guilty. <u><i>Finding:</i></u> Not Guilty <u><i>Determination:</i></u> No sanction</p> <p><u><i>Reasons:</i></u> <i>The GPT was satisfied that there was sufficient video evidence to show that the alleged discussion with the Match Official did not occur near the 5th minute of the match as reported.</i></p>
<p>2. The Respondent disputed a decision of a Match Official or showed dissent (isolated incident) in breach of section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table B, Offence Code 02-01 of the Regulations.</p>	<p>2. <u><i>Plea:</i></u> Not Guilty. <u><i>Finding:</i></u> Guilty <u><i>Determination:</i></u> One (1) Fixture suspension</p> <p><u><i>Reasons:</i></u> <i>The GPT accepted the evidence supplied by the Match Official and was shown in the video evidence that the Respondent did use language and/or verbal gestures questioning the decision of the Match Referee not to act on an alleged handball.</i></p>

<p>3. The Respondent disputed a decision of a Match Official or showed dissent (isolated incident) in breach of section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table B, Offence Code 02-01 of the Regulations.</p>	<p>3. <u>Plea:</u> Not Guilty. <u>Finding:</u> Guilty</p> <p><u>Determination:</u></p> <p>One (1) Fixture suspension</p> <p><u>Reasons:</u> <i>The GPT was satisfied that there was sufficient video evidence to show that a discussion with the Match Official did occur. While the details of the discussion itself couldn't be heard it was clear that the Respondent was questioning a decision of the Match Referee with the Match Official next to the team bench/enclosure.</i></p>
<p>4. The Respondent entered the field of play without authorisation (isolated incident) in breach of section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table C, Offence Code 01-01 of the Regulations 2017.</p>	<p>4. <u>Plea:</u> Not Guilty. <u>Finding:</u> Not Guilty</p> <p><u>Determination:</u></p> <p>No sanction</p> <p><u>Reasons:</u> <i>The GPT was satisfied that there was a discussion between the Respondent and the Assistant Referee near the half-way line but was unable to determine whether this was initiated by the Assistant Referee or the Respondent as the video evidence did not show this incident. The Respondent's witness, Mr Ante Juric, stated that he did not see the incident. The GPT could not be satisfied that there was a breach in this instance.</i></p>
<p>5. The Respondent failed to abide by or comply with a direction of a Match Official (isolated incident) in breach of section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table B, Offence Code 01-01 of the Regulations.</p>	<p>5. <u>Plea:</u> Not Guilty <u>Finding:</u> Not Guilty</p> <p><u>Determination:</u></p> <p>No sanction</p> <p><u>Reasons:</u> <i>The GPT was unable to be satisfied that there was a breach as the video evidence did not show the alleged incident as described in the Match Official's report. There is also no report provided by the Match Referee nor the Assistant Referees to support the allegation which would be expected in this situation.</i></p>

6. The Respondent displayed unsportsmanlike or unprofessional behaviour (isolated incident) in breach of section 16.4(d), Schedule 3, Table C, Offence Code 03-01 of the Regulations.

6. Plea: Not Guilty Finding: Not Guilty

Determination.

No sanction

Reasons: The GPT determined that there was insufficient evidence, based on the account of the Respondent and questioning of the Match Official (Referee Assessor), Mr Dimitrios Gongolidis, to find the Respondent guilty of this charge. The Match Official when questioned (by telephone) acknowledged that the Respondent had supplied her details as requested and after walking back to her team may have said something to herself. He didn't remember much after that and was unable to recall a reaction from the Respondent. The GPT therefore could not find evidence to support this charge.

The Match Official believed that the Respondent showed disrespect to the Match Officials throughout the match and up until the goal was scored in the 58th minute. This allegation could not be supported by the video evidence.

The GPT did however advise the respondent that there are other avenues to seek clarification and that it is not appropriate to do this with a Referee Assessor even though in this instance they were seated in close proximity to the player's bench.

Serving of Suspension:

The sanctions in Charges 2 and 3 are to be served consecutively such that the Respondent is required to serve a total suspension of **Two (2) Fixtures**.

NB. The Respondent is to serve the suspension as a Team Official and in accordance with section 15.6 of the Regulations, in particular, sub-sections 15.6(h) and (i) which provide that, on the day of a Fixture, the Respondent must not:

- a. enter the field of play (or court), its surrounds, the technical area, players race, dressing rooms or any other place within a stadium, venue, ground or Centre where players and/or officials are likely to assemble to prepare for a match;
- b. be seated in an area in a stadium, venue, ground or Centre normally reserved for players and/or officials; and
- c. in the case of coach, must not engage or attempt to engage a third party to relay coaching instructions.

Costs:

The Tribunal determined that the costs of the Tribunal, as determined by FNSW, be met by the Respondent.

Aggrieved parties to a determination of the FNSW General Purposes Tribunal may lodge an appeal to the FNSW Appeals Tribunal in accordance with sections 8.8 and 9.2 of the FNSW Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations. Any appeal must be submitted by completing the online Notice of Appeal form (Prescribed Form 12 – available on the FNSW website or by clicking [here](#)) and lodging the relevant Application Fee (\$750) within 7 working days of this determination being issued.

19 May 2017

Mendo Cklamovski

Member

GENERAL PURPOSES TRIBUNAL