

Tuesday, March 1, 2005

Mr Shane Richardson
Chief Executive Officer
Level 3, 265 Chalmers Street
Redfern NSW 2016

Dear Mr Richardson,

I am writing in reply to your letter of February 20 regarding the Boards decision to 'suspend' my membership effective from that date.

I found the wording of your letter vague, ambiguous and lacking in serious detail. Given that this decision was apparently not taken lightly I feel, as a long time South Sydney supporter and member, that I deserve a more thorough explanation behind the reasoning used to reach such a determination.

In the interests of procedural fairness, I submit the following five questions for your consideration:

1. In what way was my conduct at Redfern Town Hall on the night of November 24, 2004 deemed to be prejudicial to the interests and welfare of the Football Club?
2. What evidence did The Board consider to reach this conclusion? You will of course understand that in the interests of natural justice such evidence must be presented.
3. What (if any) repercussions stemming from the aforementioned meeting on November 24, 2004, can be cited by The Board to further support their claims that my conduct was prejudicial to the interests and welfare of the Football Club?
4. Should this suspension stand can you please define for me what it actually means, and exactly what it is I'm prevented from doing for the duration of the suspension?
5. Finally, can you explain to me why I would need to make "application" to be "re-admitted to membership of the Football Club" following the expiration of my suspension? Should I consider myself ceasing to be a member of the Football Club? How does this affect my future voting rights?

As I explained to the sub-committee of The Board on January 24, 2005, if attendees at the Redfern Town Hall meeting of November 24, 2004, had any issue with any statement I made in that public forum, then they have their own legal avenues to pursue. Based on the contents of your letter of February 20, I find the decision by the Board to be capricious and arbitrary. It is for these reasons I am seeking clarification. The precise nature of my suspension has not been conveyed to me appropriately and I regard it as my right to expect the above-detailed questions be answered satisfactorily.

Yours sincerely,
Wade Singleton
Membership Number 216.