

## Amos does it again

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FORMER Brave Warriors defender Amos Shiyuka has become the first footballer since independence to become a board member of the Namibia Sports Commission (NSC).

The former Civics captain who won three local league titles and retired in 2007 following a recurring knee injury was commissioned to the country's sports supreme body by Minister of Sport Rev. Willem Konjore for a three-year term this week.

He will be responsible for marketing the Commission.

"It's an honour for me again to save my country, believe in change and I want to be part of those that will help bring back Namibia on the sporting map. I believe in change and we will do it. We can do it only with sound administration and proper development aspects," said Shiyuka, one of the few players to have played in almost all the national teams starting with the Under 17 national team.

Commissioner Shiyuka enters the NSC chaired by Ulitala Heveluah while Agnes Tjongarero retained her position as NNOC representative in the NSC.

Other members include Drusilla Kandjii (representing the Disability Sports Namibia), Ben /Naobeb representing the Tertiary Institutes Sports Association of Namibia (TISAN), Monica Bohitile (National School Sports Union (NSSU), Piet du Ploy representing the private sector and Michael Angula who will be serving the interests of Namibian Women in Sports Association. But it is the presence of Shiyuka, 32, on the list that draws a lot of interests as he is well known for having been instrumental in shifting the focus of mobile giant MTC into sports sponsorship, during his time as the Sponsorship Manager.

MTC is still the country's biggest sports sponsor even after Shiyuka has moved to Trustco.

"My plan is to achieve title sponsors for each and every sports code in the country so that we stop having problems when it comes to competing at top events. We will also try to influence government to increase its national sports budget," he said.

No other former national team player has been appointed a commissioner. /Naobeb is a commissioner with football background but only played in pre-Independent Namibia.