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Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Trust Board Meeting

Held on: 26th April 2017, commencing at 19.30

Venue: The Boardroom, the Racecourse Ground, Wrexham

Present: John Mills (JM), Spencer Harris (SH), Paul Smith (PS) from 20:30, Sarah Smith Howard (SSH), Mark Williams (MW) from 21:10, Mike Lewis (ML) from 19:50, Brian Phillips (BP), Colin Williams (CW), Gavin Jones (GJ) until 21:25, Dave Jones (DJ), Richard Ulrich (RU),

Apologies : Anita Robinson (AR), Stuart Roberts (SR),

Chair: Peter Jones (PJ),

Independent Secretary: Alan Fox (AF),

1. Matters arising and approval of the minutes of 20th March 2017

VOTE: *Proposed by SH & seconded by GJ it was resolved unanimously to approve the minutes, as amended, by those who had been present.*

ACTIONS:

From the 20th March meeting:

WHAT	WHO	WHEN
1. To write to AR re parental leave of absence	PJ	Completed
2. To set up online PoS voting	JM	Completed
3. To consider and comment on the draft FC Board policies on the Forum	ALL	Ongoing
4. To contact DJ if anyone can assist with renewal of SO/PayPal memberships on SABO	All	Ongoing
5. To organise membership of the EMG	AF	Completed
6. To contact DJ to confirm his position	AF	Completed

2. Chairman's Report

PJ thanked DJ on behalf of the board for all his work over the previous 5 years following his decision to stand down from the board at the AGM. The meeting discussed the replies to the Big Red Survey

PS joined the meeting

3. Football Club Operations

SH had posted a report on the Forum:

Key messages included:

- Mathematically safe in the division
- YTD profit achieved – May / June / July no football games
- Should we not get promoted Youth Team to be excluded from LFE Youth Alliance system – will need to look at
- Alan Watkin has now stepped down from the board

The YTD loss at end of February was £37k.. We will budget for the same crowds as for this season
We receive the keys for Nine Acre this week.

GJ explained a new scheme for administering the Gold Bond system- to be overseen by the Trust.
There are currently c650 weekly sales- which could be tripled. To be called the Fans Bond. Potentially
could bring in £50k per annum. It was agreed to withdraw from the current arrangements with
Blackpool.

The Portugal trip was discussed.

MW attended.

GJ left the meeting.

The meeting thanked MW for his excellent presentation to the Club AGM.

4. Fans Ownership Group

Season Tickets go on sale on 6 May so little time to update SABO. MW suggested that staff in the club
shop should be involved. There were seemingly issues with the printer printing cards.

ACTION: DJ to speak to GJ re office staff updating SABO.

5. Financial Security & Revenue Generation Group

Fundraising has raised £106 with a raffle but the focus has been on Build the Budget. There will be a
Mike Peters charity walk event on 16 June.

BP reported that BtB had reached £42,000. The bucket collection had brought in £7k. Some letters of
thanks had been sent to the larger contributors. The next phase is to engage more with businesses. The
duck race is being organised.

BP (Treasurer) reported:

Main trust account

Opening balance at 1/1/17 - £20,385.39
Closing balance at 23/4/17 - £16,596.92

Movement - -£3,788.47

Activity during the period:

Income:

Member contributions - £14,188.00
Fundraising - £4868.20
Other - £461.95 (refund of fraudulent transactions and Director contributions)

TOTAL INCOME - £19,518.12

Expenditure:

Internal transfer to Wrexham AFC - £20,000.00
Glyndwr University - £180.00
Just Go travel - £1,918.00
Halloween Ball - £450.00
Royal Mail - £375.65
Other - £383.02

TOTAL EXPENDITURE - £23,306.67

On average, 818 people are paying their subscriptions through the bank. Average monthly contributions are £3,655.69. However, this varies depending upon when people pay their yearly subscription.

Community Shares Account

Opening Balance at 1/1/17 - £1,130.58
Closing Balance at 23/4/17 - £2,136.59

Currently, 21 people pay a total of £251/ month (March's figures). Individual contributions range from £5 to £50 per month.

PayPal

Opening Balance at 1/1/17 - £5,719.04
Closing Balance at 23/4/17 - £7,280.36
Movement - £1,561.32

Income includes:

(approx. – information for this account is only updated monthly)

Members contributions - £1,740
Fundraising - £501.00

Hallyink - £325.00
Parcel2go £16.00
EBay payments - £340.00

Build the Budget (as at 23/4/17)

Fund total is £40,208.00

Overall funds held (excluding Build the Budget) - £26,013.87

6. Community Report

CW and S Gilbert have secured £1000 sponsorship of an autism friendly match from Gibbs Engineering.

CW had posted a report on the Forum:

Organisation of Group

- Plan and Structure now in place with Team. Lines of responsibility established.
- Priority is DBS compliance issues – Anita reported to be dealing with this

Junior Dragons

- Junior Dragons Game took place v Maidstone

- Ongoing Liaison with Rob Stock ref future plans for web site and on line booking etc
- DSA
- Asked to visit Wolverhampton Wanderers to build relationships ref Disabled Supporters activities
 - DSA FC going to Munich for tournament in May
 - 3 Wrexham DSA FC players selected to play for Welsh national team.
- Autism Friendly Game
- Secured £1000 sponsorship for the next Autism Friendly Game from Gibbs engineering
- Dementia Friends
- Dementia work is ongoing with a session planned for one of the charitable partners
 - Dementia awareness week is in the middle of June. Pete has agreed to do one of his club history presentations.
 - No take-up for the children's dementia friend's sessions so cancelled. Will look at it again for summer holidays

7. WST AGM

AF reported that the Election Management Group will consist of himself, Clive Popplewell and Ben Harrison of the Tranmere Trust as Chester have a board meeting on the night of the AGM.

8. Any Other Business

- The vote for the Unsung Hero award was a tie
- GJ mentioned the concerts and that the club had been advised to set up a separate company to organise them to be known as WST Events. The board agreed with this proposal.

VOTE: proposed by GJ and seconded by SH it was agreed unanimously to establish the WST Events company.

The date of the next WST board meeting is **22 May 2017**

The meeting closed at 22:15

ACTIONS from this meeting:

WHAT	WHO	WHEN
1. To contact GS re office staff inputting SABO	DJ	ASAP