

Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Trust Board Meeting

Held on: 26 September 2018, commencing at 19.30
Venue: The Boardroom, the Racecourse Ground, Wrexham

Present: Gavin Jones (GJ), Brian Phillips (BP), Sarah Smith Howard (SSH), Richard Ulrich (RU), Mark Williams (MW), Stephen Lloyd (SL), Spencer Harris (SH), Robert Stock (RS)

Apologies: Mike Lewis (ML), Simon Rhodes (SR), Mark Jones (MJ), Bryan Still (BS), John Mills (JM),

Chair: Peter Jones (PJ)

Independent Secretary: Alan Fox (AF)

1. Matters arising and approval of the minutes of 29 August 2018

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

ACTIONS:

From the 29 August meeting:

What	Who	When	Status
1. To consider the post on the forum re players joining the Trust	All	ASAP	Completed
2. To arrange member email re The Chase event	Fundraising group	ASAP	Completed
3. To post options for Xmas raffle on forum for discussion/decision	Fundraising group	ASAP	Completed- see later
4. To contact - re defining our "proposition" to find affiliate partners	Membership Group	Asap	Outstanding – carried over
5. To liaise with Phil Bennett re provision of sanitary products.	SSH	Before next meeting	Completed- products purchased – publicity awaited
6. To post proposals for new community group activities	Community Group	Before next meeting	Outstanding – carried over
7. To provide information for the Meet the Board section on Trust website	Those board members who do not currently appear there	Asap	Ongoing

1. Chairs Report

PJ confirmed that we had nominated KE for the National League volunteer of the month award. It was decided not to submit a further nomination until we knew the outcome.

PJ asked about progress on the second platform. SSH had met with Phil Salmon and DSA reps this evening to view the proposed site. Once a plan was drawn up there would be another meeting. The meeting discussed payment and that WST were now committed to covering the costs of the platform.

2. Football Club Operations

SH had posted a report on the Forum

- Training Ground review of facilities to be undertaken to identify what work if any required to improve playing surfaces
- Temporary Kit person to be employed;
- Ian Stockdale engaged to review capital projects;
- New CEO of Wrexham CBC attended WAFC Board Meeting to introduce
- Gold Bond – still in planning stage little to report yet;
- Green Energy – solar panels & water harvesting under investigation
- Club Membership (WST) – update to be provided by membership group;

The meeting discussed pricing in the 1864 suite and agreed that prices for children required review.

SH left the meeting at 20:46

3. Fans Ownership Group

RU reported that membership currently stands at 3,191, an increase of 62 members since the last board meeting. This time last year we had 3,114 members, we are currently 77 members up on that figure which is an increase of 2.47% which was considered to be a good return from the recent distribution of application forms.

Director for the Day' winners have all been selected at random from the membership database this month.

The meeting discussed issues with members emails and the advertising of the last members meeting. Next time we will also use Red Passion and the match day programme as well the local press. The meeting discussed "a skills gap" as far as Club and Trust marketing was concerned and how that might be addressed in the future.

4. Financial Security & Revenue Generation Group

MJ had posted a report on the Forum:

Celebrity Chase Night on Friday this week

- Raffle – Want to order tickets for mid-October circulation • Prize 1 – Holiday • Prize 2 – Macron away trip • Prize 3 – Voodoo Night package
- Potential marquee still being investigated
- Gold bond – arranging meetings re other providers, meeting with Bolton on Thursday 27th September.

- Mickey and Joey night being investigated – November 2nd
- Potential murder mystery night being sorted • Looking at Christmas party • Programme fair is unlikely to happen.

The meeting discussed the main beneficiaries from the Xmas raffle. It was agreed that the raffle should be aimed at raising funds for the new disabled platform

BP had posted a report on the Forum

Funds held by the Trust on 1 January 2018	£68,701	
Funds held by the Trust on 22 September 2018	£116,073	
Increase in Funds	£47,372	
Total Member funds paid by DD and Paypal for the period 1 January to 31 August 2018	£32,349	
Average paid per month	£4,043.61	
Average number of payments/month	921	
Average paid per month in 2017	£4,042	
Average number of payments/month	909.25	
BUILD THE BUDGET		
£89,910.42	Balance at 1/1/18	
£13,896.90	Bank donations from 16/1/18	
£312.86	Paypal donations from 16/1/18	
£12,000.00	Trust donation	
£9,293.10	Season Tickets	
£125,413.28	Balance at 22/9/18	
BUILD THE BUDGET - PHASE 2		
£13,896.90	Bank donations from 16/1/18	
£312.86	Paypal donations from 16/1/18	

£12,000.00	Trust donation
£9,293.10	Season Tickets
£35,502.86	Balance at 22/9/18

5. Community Report

SL mentioned a possible meeting of an LBGT group next month. The Food Bank collection will take place on 8 December.

RS mentioned arrangements for the JDs Xmas party.

ACTION: PJ will check the availability of players for 16 December.

6. Any other business

SL mentioned a draft consent form for under 16s using away travel.

ACTION: RS to supply a travel consent form used by his school

The meeting ended at 22:10

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 31 October

ACTIONS from this meeting:

What	Who	When
1. To check the availability of players for JD Xmas party 16 December.	PJ	ASAP
2. To supply a consent form used by his school	RS	ASAP
3. To inform GP of future WST board meetings	AF	ASAP

ACTIONS carried over from previous meetings:

What	Who	When
1. To contact - re defining our "proposition" to find affiliate partners	Membership Group	Asap
2. To provide information for the "Meet the Board" section on Trust website	Those board members who do not currently appear there	Asap

