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**Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Trust Board Meeting**

**Held on:** 19 December 2018, commencing at 19.30

**Venue:** The Boardroom, the Racecourse Ground, Wrexham

**Present:** Brian Phillips (BP), Sarah Smith Howard (SSH), Robert Stock (RS), Bryan Still (BS), John Mills (JM), Mark Williams (MW), Mike Lewis (ML), Richard Ulrich (RU), Stephen Lloyd (SL),

**Apologies:** Spencer Harris (SH), Simon Rhodes (SR), Mark Jones (MJ), Gavin Jones (GJ),

**Chair:** Peter Jones (PJ)

**Independent Secretary:** Alan Fox (AF)

**1. Matters arising and approval of the minutes of 28 November 2018**

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

**ACTIONS:**

**From the 28 November meeting:**

WHAT	WHO	WHEN	STATUS
1. to draft a proposal to deal with under 16s travelling on away travel coaches	SL	Next meeting	Completed
2. to write a piece up for the website, programme and social media to thank all the supporters and tweet Leyton Orient re the food bank collection	SL	ASAP	Completed
3. to write a plan for delivering further inclusion workshops	SL	Next meeting	Ongoing
4. to write to the FSF about the critical and inaccurate tweet	PJ	ASAP	Completed
5. to contact PS about the delivery of the second platform project	PJ	ASAP	Completed
6. to contact CW about project managing the second platform	PJ	ASAP	Completed
7. to e mail MW with details of the grass roots football game	RS	ASAP	Completed
8. to write up a nomination for the NL volunteer of the month award	RS	ASAP	Completed

**From previous meetings**

What	Who	When	Status
1. To provide information for the Meet the Board section on Trust website	Those board members who do not currently appear there	Asap	Ongoing

FC Director Phil Salmon attended the meeting with plans for the disabled platform- there are 193 pages of calculations. The next step is to obtain a 3D model and costings. It does not need planning permission. PS said that there was scope to make the platform longer. PS is meeting with CW on Friday. The platform will be costed in the new year. When we have the 3d plan, the focus group will meet again.

PS left the meeting at 19:50

### **1. Chairs Report**

PJ informed the meeting about the response and apology from the FSF concerning their inaccurate tweet about the use of umbrellas at the stadium.

PJ thanked all board members for their hard work and contributions during 2018.

### **2. Financial Security & Revenue Generation Group**

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 16 December 2018 £129,861

Increase in Funds £61,160

Total Member funds paid by DD and PayPal for the period 1 January to 31 November 2018 £44,025

Average paid per month £4,002.27

Average number of payments/month 922

Average paid per month in 2017 £4,042

Average number of payments/month 909.25

INCOME - 1/1/18 to 16/12/18

Members Contributions £44,828

Build the Budget £14,980

Sponsorship for Disabled Away Travel £1,000

Fundraising £3,982

Donation £797

Merchandise £220

Raffle £6,351

Miscellaneous £32 "

Wrexham Games" £853

£73,043

EXPENDITURE - 1/1/18 to 16/12/18

Gambling Act £20; Financial Conduct Authority £975; Royal Mail (including Freepost licence) £391; Advance Brighter Futures £155; FC Teamwear Ltd £72; Glyndwr University (Room Hire) £180; DLO £728; IT £320; Supporters Direct £300; Printing £4,508; Insurance £280; Miscellaneous £491; Junior Dragons £160; PayPal fees £373; eBay sales fees £230; Mickey and Joey Night £900; Just Go Travel (Christmas Draw) £1,800; £11,883

Net increase in Funds £61,160 during the year.

#### BUILD THE BUDGET

£89,910.42 Balance at 1/1/18  
£14,665.82 Bank donations from 16/1/18  
£312.86 Paypal donations from 16/1/18  
£12,000.00 Trust donation  
£9,293.10 Season Tickets  
£126,182.20 Balance at 16/12/18  
BUILD THE BUDGET - PHASE 2  
£14,665.82 Bank donations from 16/1/18  
£312.86 PayPal donations from 16/1/18  
£12,000.00 Trust donation  
£9,293.10 Season Tickets  
£36,271.78 Balance at 16/12/18

The Board confirmed that it had agreed to pay expenses to the DLO to attend the London awards ceremony.

**ACTION:** *BS to liaise with media team to publicise the Christmas raffle*

### **3. Football Club Operations**

MW arrived at 20:35

The meeting discussed the appointment of the first team manager and assistant manager. Given the injury situation, loan signings will be made.

CCTV has been upgraded in the stadium. The meeting discussed sanctions to be taken for bad behaviour in the stadium.

**ACTION:** *MW to consult with Martin Bradley about tariffs to be imposed for unacceptable behaviour by supporters.*

### **4. Fans Ownership Group**

RU had posted a report on the Forum:

Membership currently stands at 3,490, an increase of 121 members since the last board meeting. This time last year we had 3,312 members, we are currently 178 members up on that figure which is an increase of 5.37%. This is the highest number of members at this stage of the season since 2014.

**VOTE:** *Proposed by RU and seconded by SSH it was resolved unanimously to purchase a card printer*

'Director for the Day' winners have continued to be chosen at random from a competition

that is ran on our Facebook page. The last competition reached a total of 6,995 people and the number of people who like the Facebook page has increased from 2,827 on 1<sup>st</sup> December to 2,836 as of today.

### **Community Group**

The JD Christmas Party had been a huge success. The players were praised for their contribution. The next JD Away Day is planned for the Halifax match.

The Safety Officer was happy with the Grass Roots Football Day to be held on 9 February against Dagenham. MW was still to hear from Phil Bennett

SL has drafted an away travel consent form to be introduced next season.

**ACTION: SL to post the consent form on the Forum for discussion including how to administer the scheme.**

The meeting discussed the need to relaunch sub groups to help ensure succession planning.

ML mentioned that there would be further DBS checks submitted via the FAW in the new year. He is due to meet with the FAW in January.

### **Any other business**

MW mentioned the fans Remembrance Day to be held on 9 February v Dagenham

**ACTION: JM to draft a member's e mail about the Remembrance Day.**

The meeting ended at 22:15

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 30 January 2019**

**ACTIONS from this meeting:**

<b>WHAT</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>WHEN</b>
1. <i>to liaise with media team to publicise the Christmas raffle</i>	BS	ASAP
2. <i>to consult with Martin Bradley about tariffs to be imposed for unacceptable behaviour by supporters</i>	MW	Next meeting
3. <i>to post the under 16s away travel consent form on the Forum for discussion including how to administer the scheme</i>	SL	ASAP
4. <i>to draft a member's e mail about the Remembrance Day.</i>	JM	ASAP

