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Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Trust Board Meeting

Held on: 27 February 2019, commencing at 19.30

Venue: The Racecourse Ground, Wrexham

Present: Brian Phillips (BP), Robert Stock (RS), John Mills (JM), Mark Williams (MW), Simon Rhodes (SR), Mark Jones (MJ), Gavin Jones (GJ), Sarah Smith Howard (SSH),

Apologies: Bryan Still (BS), Mike Lewis (ML), Stephen Lloyd (SL), Spencer Harris (SH),

Chair: Peter Jones (PJ)

Independent Secretary: Alan Fox (AF)

1. Matters arising and approval of the minutes of 30 January 2019

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

ACTIONS:

From the 30 January meeting:

What	Who	When	Status
1. to inform the appellants of the procedure to be adopted to deal with the exclusion order appeals	AF	ASAP	Completed
2. to progress the return of the Hall of Fame pictures	GJ	ASAP	They will be spread around the stadium. Possible AGM resolution re who to include in future
3. to write to the Coop Bank	BP	ASAP	Completed – reply awaited
4. to provide leads for the Sportsman's Lunch	All	ASAP	Ongoing
5. to establish a Gold Bond project group	MJ	ASAP	Ongoing

1. Way Forward- arrangements between the boards

There was a lengthy discussion about the board structure and arrangements between the two boards following the recent resignation of a Trust board member. It was decided that the relationship would benefit from further discussion of roles and responsibilities. AF had

posted a draft powers and responsibilities document on the Forum which would need some amendment, but which could form the basis for agreement. SH had also posted a discussion document.

ACTION: Board members to consider these documents and comment on the Forum before the next board meeting

2. Chairs Report

PJ thanked board members for their support during the recent members meeting. He mentioned the Vanarama volunteer of the month award and suggested nominating someone. All agreed.

PJ had attended meetings with the Council about “greeters” at the forthcoming Welsh international match. He was disappointed at the lack of “events”.

A meeting of the panel considering the banning order appeals will take place next week to consider the evidence as per the policy agreed previously.

The meeting discussed the vacant board position. MJ volunteered to assist with membership.

GJ mentioned the trust board place on the RCF board- i.e., as a trustee which needed filling.

3. Financial Security & Revenue Generation Group

BP had posted a report.

There was £77,239 in the main current account- an increase of £7,342 since the last report.

BP mentioned his concern that there were some over 18s only paying £5 through the Club shop.

SR/MJ mentioned the sportsman’s lunch. SR mentioned those he had contacted so far and will put a list on the Forum. MJ mentioned that he needs to launch the Gold Bond project group soon.

PJ mentioned the Player of the Season dinner on 28 April with Mark Crossley as the speaker.

SR left the meeting.

4. Football Club Operations

SH had posted a report on the Forum which was discussed by the board.

New Management Team in Place following resignation of Graham Barrow.

The manager was hoping to sign another player before Saturday to cover injuries. A summer concert is now very unlikely.

5. Fans Ownership Group

SSH had posted a report on the Forum:

Membership now stands at 3,550 members an Increase of 10 members since the last board meeting. Last Year's membership stood at 3,356 • Increase of 194 members (+5.78% LFL) Highest number of members since June 2015

Chesterfield director for the day chosen at random from Women on our database • Brian Still & Wife to host guests due to Mike Lewis being on holiday. Geraint has been informed of guests

International Women's Day -Match day programme notes completed & forwarded to John for approval •-Updated temporary photo of Sarah Smith-Howard for special edition 'From the Boardroom' international Women's day programme

Contact made with Maria Horner to advise on setting up Wrexham women's group.

6. Community Group

SL had posted reports on the forum.

Mark and Kerry met with Ruth Horner from Level Playing Fields on 22nd February as Ruth was unwell the week before and the meeting had to be rearranged.

Remembrance pages completed for the programme Pete has written the article for the programme regarding women's football. Female director for the day to be selected from WST database. Mascots have been arranged with Gemma Owen for the day Evrah Rose will read poetry. Minutes silence before kick-off.

Mental health session delivered in Dinas Bran High School on Friday 22nd February, positive feedback from the session.

Football v Homophobia - we will not be doing anything now this season but will look into next season now. FvH are sending a pack with a rainbow football and player cards should any of the players wish to support the campaign.

PJ and SL had discussed the LPF weeks of action (2nd-17th March) which could be combined with a Kick it Out anti-racism day possibly at the Maidstone or Barrow games or leave it completely. The LFP action weeks will be an article in the programme highlighting all the inclusion projects we have running at the club and Kerry has identified two young disabled supporters who would be mascots for the day. The article could still be published, we may need to look into the mascot situation with it being an evening kick off.

Autism awareness training for staff/stewards will start next season now and involve staff from the National Autistic Society as well as myself which should improve the quality of training for everyone involved.

SL has given Kerry a link re potential funding avenues for various schemes the WST identify as worth progressing.

RS outlined arrangements for the Junior Dragons Day - this year we will offer a free match ticket to a Junior or Youth Dragon member in any area of the stadium if purchased with a supervising adult ticket.

7. Any other business

MW was writing the board report for the Club AGM with a view to posting them next week. It was agreed to hold the Club AGM on 27 March 2019.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 3 April 2019

The meeting ended at 22:10

ACTIONS from this meeting:

What	Who	When
1. To consider and comment on the “way forward” reports on the Forum	All	By next meeting
2. to provide leads for the Sportsman’s Lunch	All	ASAP
3. to establish a Gold Bond project group	MJ	ASAP