

Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Board Meeting

Held on: Monday 3rd June 2013, commencing at 19.30

Venue: The Wrexham Lager Club, Union Road, Wrexham

Present: Peter Jones (PJ), Alan Fox (AF), Huw Davies (HD), Terry Stott (TeS), Mark Williams (MW), Geoff Scott (GS), John Mills (JM), Gavin Jones (GJ), Marc Jones (MJ) Tom Stanford (TS),

Apologies: Jenny Cantwell (JC), Dave Jones (DJ), Keith Roberts (KR), Spencer Harris (SH), Anita Robinson (AR).

Chair: Peter Jones

1. Matters arising and approval of minutes of Board meeting of 20th May 2013

- MW had posted the draft budget and season tickets on the project board
- The community group meeting was to be arranged
- The amended draft resolutions had been posted by AF
- The minutes were approved by TeS and seconded by JM and were unanimously accepted

2. Director Reports;

2.1 Chair (PJ)

- PJ had posted a reply given to a member regarding the Club's nickname

2.2 Treasurers Report (*From an email in KRs absence*)

- Figures for April were income £5506, expenditure of £4534, surplus of £972, the current working capital is £188,965.

2.3 Football Club Report (MW/GJ/JM)

- Martin Riley had today signed for Mansfield. He is over 24 so no compensation is due.
- Season Ticket prices will be announced on Monday. The meeting agreed that the early bird offer was only applicable to WST members.

- A 17-day project to improve the clubs IT system would begin on July 4th led by JM.

2.4 Fundraising, including merchandise (AR/PJ/DJ)

- Interest in the Snowdon sponsored walk was quite slow. It needed prioritising on the websites etc.
- Work is continuing on the Yearbook. GS will assist with the chasing of adverts.

2.5 Business development report (GS)

- GS commented that the club needed to ensure that information and good news stories were highlighted in the media and on social networking etc rather than information being leaked e.g. player's kit sponsorship.
- There should be at least one good news story per week. These were issues to raise with DB.
- GS was arranging with SC to sell surplus kit/merchandise at Asda at reduced prices before the new kit arrived.
- The Asda fun day on 31/8/13 was discussed.

2.6 Membership report (HD)

- Membership applications had increased and it was challenging to process them all. HD was spending 2/3 hours daily and had sent out 200 welcome letters in the last few weeks. It was proving difficult to obtain all the financial information about who had paid etc.
- Only KR is provided with Pay Pal details. HD needs copying in as well.
- The new website will allow details to be entered direct.
- The backlog was being cleared
- Membership stood at around 2500
- HD needed to delegate the process if possible to concentrate on policy including benefits.

2.7 Community Development Report (TeS/SH/TS)

- TeS confirmed that the WIP document had been updated on the Project Board
- GAP Personnel had expressed an interest in sponsoring the DSA and this was being taken forward
- There would be a DSA party in July
- Yale College had been in contact re an education project for a young person not in training or employment
- Eight volunteers had been trained up for the Alzheimer's project. It was hoped to begin later this month
- MW confirmed plans to launch the new club charter with the disability project. Andy Slinger was attending a club board meeting on 1/7/13

2.8 Volunteer Report (AR) – carried over

2.9 Media (MJ)

- The Leader column will recommence at the start of the season
- The Leader would do a feature on the Alzheimer's project
- More could be done to promote good news stories
- Calon FM were still interested in a Friday evening slot. MJ will make contact – it could be a different board member each week.

2.10 Secretary's Report (AF)- see later

3. WST AGM and Resolutions

- AF confirmed that six nominations had been received for the five vacancies and on- line voting had begun today three weeks in advance of the AGM. Candidate's statements were also on line.
- AF explained his understanding of the Localism Act and the community right to bid. It was agreed that this should be explored. The meeting discussed the draft resolutions.
- Resolutions A B and C were agreed and should proceed as drafted.
- Resolution D will be amended so that "should" reads "must."
- Resolution E will be amended so as to start in the 2015-2016 season (proposed by TeS seconded by JM and passed unanimously).
- Resolution F will be amended in that the supporting information will confirm that it will take effect when approved by the FCA.
- There will be a new resolution G proposed by TeS and seconded by JM (passed unanimously) to the effect that a Board member cannot nominate or second a candidate during an election.

- AF will amend the resolutions in the Files section. Any comments need posting quickly as the resolutions need to be published shortly.
- AF had invited Ben Harrison as a guest to the Tranmere friendly in appreciation of his work with the election.

4. Membership Benefits

- PJ proposed a new benefit for members namely entry into a draw for a place in the Boardroom at every home game. Two places to be available for two members. Similar to the away director for a day.
- Members would only be eligible for one such prize per season with a separate prize to be available for away games, neither to be transferable.
- The meeting agreed with this suggestion and that the scheme should be administered by the membership group.

3. Club Draft Budget 2013-2014

- MW had posted details on the project board. He gave a further slightly revised presentation. MW proposed, seconded by JM, that the budget be approved and was passed unanimously.

4. WST Draft accounts 2012

- MW had previously posted these on the project board
- The meeting noted the increased admin costs including the cost of printing/posting and the reduction in income
- Proposed by MW, and seconded by GJ, the accounts were approved unanimously. The meeting thanked MW for all his hard work preparing both sets of accounts.

5. AOB

- PJ asked whether anyone knew of some with a carpenters workshop to assist with the Honours Boards
- Attendance at the SD AGM was discussed.

The next Board meeting would be on Monday 17 June 2013 at 1930

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2235

No	Action	Who
1	To amend draft resolutions on the project board	AF
2	To comment on draft resolutions as soon as possible	ALL
3	To consider details of new membership benefit	Membership Group