
Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Board Meeting

Held on: Monday 12th May 2014, commencing at 19.30

Venue: The Wrexham Lager Club, Union Road, Wrexham

Present: Peter Jones (PJ), Alan Fox (AF), Anita Robinson (AR), Mark Williams (MW), Geoff Scott (GS), Spencer Harris (SH), Gavin Jones (GJ), Tom Stanford (TS), Dave Jones (DJ), John Mills (JM), Robin Wiggs (RW), Jenny Cantwell (JC),

Apologies: Peter Howell (PH), Terry Stott (TeS), Keith Roberts (KR),

Chair: Peter Jones

1. Matters arising and approval of minutes of Board meeting of 28th April 2014

- Action 1 – DJ had posted a draft renewal letter on the Forum.
- Action 2 - AF had posted details of the Supporters Direct Board elections on the Forum
- Action 3 – The Plan remained an agenda item
- Action 4- PJ had forwarded the letter from the Minister for the disabled to Glyndwr

Vote: *Proposed by SH & seconded by MW, the minutes were unanimously approved as amended by those who had been present.*

2. Sub Groups and Officers Reports

Chair (PJ)

- PJ had recently met with TeS who informed him that he had accepted a new position in Wiltshire and was considering his position on the Board. The Board recognised the valuable work carried out by TeS and discussed whether or not it was feasible to remain in post in such circumstances.
- The Open Day will take place on Sunday 3rd August.

Treasurers Report – (KR)

- KR sent his apologies and asked whether more monies were due from the Skydive
- KR mentioned outstanding money from the POS event.

Football Club Report (SH/GJ/MW/JM)

- MW reported that season tickets went on sale today. The meeting discussed the brochure.
- GJ informed the meeting about the latest position regarding the Glyndwr Wrexham Academy which had attracted some high quality applicants. GJ will make a presentation to the members meeting on 19th May. SH commended GJ for his work on the Academy.
- The meeting agreed a set of questions and answers for club shop staff to use when selling season tickets to explain the new concept of Club rather than Trust membership. The Renewal letter to trust members would be sent in similar terms.

Commercial, fundraising etc. (GS/PH/DJ)

- GS had met with S Cook and discussed the “match day experience”. Wayne at the Turf had offered the use of his car park for events. SH asked that he be involved in planning for any match day events. A subgroup was needed to take this forward. AF wondered if any Trust members had experience of events management.
- The meeting discussed using the match day programme to publicise trust events/news.

Membership report (DJ JC/TS/HD)

- DJ reported that we were now using the SABO system after transferring details from In Touch. It was agreed that we keep In Touch up to date so that e mails could be sent to members without cost.
- The Renewal letter was discussed and needed to be sent out soon.

GJ left the meeting at 2105

- The Director for the Day scheme was discussed. DJ would continue to administer it with discretion to pick one winner who could bring a guest providing they were a member.

Community (TeS/TS)

- Nothing to report

Volunteers (AR)

- AR had met with TeS and received material for the Induction Programme for volunteers.
- Dan the photographer had informed S Cook about his limited availability for next season.
- The JD Manchester trip was now unlikely to take place but the October half term and Xmas party would proceed.
- PJ said that when the new Board meets after the AGM the allocation of responsibilities will be considered.

Media/Communications (RW)

- RW thanked AF for drafting the last Leader column.
- Media releases included Snowdon and the response to Dyke.
- The response for Snowdon walkers was poor although other trusts had responded. The meeting agreed that, in future, sponsorship was unlikely to be used for fundraising.

Secretary's Report & Trust AGM (AF)

- AF mentioned the Supporters Summit at Wembley on 26th July and the SD AGM the night before. He will post details on the Forum for board members to express their interest in attending.
- AF confirmed that he had formally supported the nomination of Michael Frater, the chair of Telfords Trust, in the election to the SD Board.
- AF reminded the Board that the closing date for nominations for the WST Board election was Thursday 15th May and resolutions by Thursday 29th May.
- AF suggested that to help improve communications a copy of the full draft minutes of this meeting should be supplied to Don Bircham, Barry Horne and Alan Watkins. The Board agreed and SH suggested that FC Board minutes should be provided to the Trust Board.
- AF reminded Board members of the importance of logging onto the Forum regularly so that opinions could be expressed and decisions taken between Board meetings.
- AF will check with KR on the progress of the audited Trust accounts.

3. 150TH Anniversary

- PJ is to ask Tracey to help with the design of the leaflet advertising the mosaic.
- The anniversary committee next meet on 22 May.

4. Targets and Planning

- The Plan had to be “signed off” by 9/6/14 with a view to a presentation at the AGM. RW agreed to present it.
- The FC Group need to draft their objectives by the 2 June.
- The meeting discussed the branding of trust/club membership going forward with “ownership” being the key word.

5. AOB

- The members meeting will be held in the Lager Club on 19th May with the possibility of live streaming.
- MW said that we would use the Leader to distribute season ticket brochures. .

Date of next Board meeting - Monday 2 June 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Lager Club.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2240.

No	Action	Who
1	To contact TeS re future Board membership	PJ
2	To send out Renewal letter	Membership Group
3	To draft football operation objectives for Strategic Plan by 2/6/14	SH/MW/JM/GJ
4	To express interest in attending the Supporters Summit on the Forum	All
5	To provide all FC Directors with copy of Trust Board minutes	AF