



Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Board Meeting

Held on: Monday 14th April 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), Dave Jones (DJ), Terry Stott (TeS), Geoff Scott (GS), John Mills (JM), Robin Wiggs (RW), Peter Howell (PH), Jenny Cantwell (JC),

Apologies: Gavin Jones (GJ), Huw Davies (HD), Spencer Harris (SH), Tom Stanford (TS), Keith Roberts (KR),

Chair: Peter Jones

1. Matters arising and approval of minutes of Board meeting of 31st March 2014

- Action 1 – The Briefing had been published
- Action 2- The Plan is an agenda item
- Action 3 – The Fans Ownership Group had posted a draft action plan- see later.
- Action 4 – AF had written to J Winter- see later
- Action 5 – The donation by Mr Massey had been included in the Briefing
- Action 6 - DJ had posted a Director of the Day story on the public website.

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

2. Sub Groups and Officers Reports

Chair (PJ)

- PJ mentioned the POS dinner on 27/4/14 and hoped that enough Trust Board members would attend to book a table.
- The Golf Day was to be held on 30/5/14.
- We were waiting for the FSF and SD to publicise our invitation to other Trusts to take part in the Snowdon walk. Over 20 clubs had contacted us so far.
- PJ updated the meeting regarding the Mosaic which will be unveiled on 4/10/14. The meeting discussed how the monies raised will be used.

Vote: *Proposed by TeS & seconded by JM, it was agreed unanimously that the monies raised would be used towards the costs of the platform in the MRS for disabled supporters.*

- The meeting discussed the contract with Jeff Winter to speak at the POS dinner. AF confirmed that he had written cancelling it. Mr W had replied asking for payment of his fee in full. The meeting discussed possible legal action by Mr W.

Vote: *Proposed by JM & seconded by TeS it was agreed unanimously that Mr Winter had repudiated the agreement by verbally abusing supporters on his Blog and that he should not be paid the outstanding amount.*

Treasurers Report – (KR)

- KR had sent his apologies

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

- MW updated the Board about the arrangements for the Chester match. 927 tickets had been sold to date.
- It was planned for season tickets to go on sale from 6/5/14.
- The meeting discussed how Trust Board membership tickets would be issued at the same time.

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

- GS mentioned the “Budget plus 150” scheme which had been announced today and that monies from certain events e.g. the Parachute Jump would go directly to the playing budget.
- A further £120 had been raised so far from the Turf match day car park. A volunteer rota will be needed next season.
- Plans had been drafted to ensure appropriate media/communications for each event.
- The WST Football Quiz had raised £350. The meeting recorded their appreciation of the efforts of organiser Pete Roberts
- The meeting discussed how texts e.g. to vote for the man of the match might be used as a fund raiser. JM had posted details on the Forum.

Membership report (DJ JC/TS/HD)

- See earlier- the meeting discussed plans to merge Trust membership and season tickets sales
- It was agreed that the Director of the Day scheme had been very successful.

Community (TeS/TS)

- TeS updated the meeting about possible lottery funding for community work to employ a person to work part time on a project. An application would be a lengthy process.
- TeS said that everyone including Board members would need to register for a DBS check
- ARs proposed e mail to JDs about the Easter event had hit a snag as In Touch could not provide the necessary contact details as had been anticipated. JM said he would resolve the problem tomorrow. Details could be included in the Lincoln programme.

Volunteers (AR)

- AR mentioned forthcoming summer events for which volunteers will be needed. The first being an event on Easter Sunday at Acrefair.

Media/Communications (RW)

- RW updated the meeting about forthcoming communications.

Secretary's Report & Trust AGM (AF)

- AF had re drafted the format of the Candidates Statement as required by our election policy.

Vote: Proposed by TeS & seconded by PJ it was agreed unanimously to adopt the draft candidate's statement as posted on the Forum by AF

- AF will publish the Notice of the AGM and Candidates statements in the next 7days.

3. 150TH Anniversary

- See the earlier Chairman's Report.

4. Targets and Planning

- The meeting considered and agreed the draft action plans of the Fans Ownership Group and the Revenue Generation Group as amended.
- The Football Operations Group will also draft an action plan.
- The meeting discussed in detail the branding of the Trust and the Club going forward including the design of season tickets/cards etc. This needed further consideration.
- It was agreed that the Final Version of the Plan had to be "signed off" by 9/6/14 with a view to a presentation at the AGM.

5. AOB

- PJ had received a donation of £600 from the Northern Ireland Alternative Co-op following his, and DJ's, attendance at their event.
- Mention was made of the possibility of selling the turf from the pitch after the work in the summer.
- RW mentioned the appropriateness of the attire worn by the female ticket sellers. It was agreed that it wasn't in keeping with a community club.
- MW informed the meeting that Trust financial records over 6 years old will be destroyed.

Date of next Board meeting - Monday 28th April 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Lager Club.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2300.

No	Action	Who
1	To write to J Winter confirming our cancellation of the speaking engagement contract	AF
2	To publish a notice of AGM and seek nominations for election candidates	AF
3	To consider the strategic plan and in particular the branding of the Trust and Club going forward.	All