



Wrexham Supporters Society Limited - Minutes of Board Meeting (The Governing Body of Wrexham AFC)

Held on: 2nd July 2015, commencing at 19.30

Venue: The Boardroom, the Racecourse Ground, Wrexham

Present: Peter Jones (PJ), Alan Fox (AF), Richard Ulrich (RU), Anita Robinson (AR), Geoff Scott (GS), Dave Jones (DJ), Tom Stanford (TS), Mike Dean (MD)

Apologies: Gavin Jones (GJ), Mark Williams (MW) Robin Wiggs (RW), John Mills (JM), Spencer Harris (SH),

Chair: Peter Jones

This was the first Board meeting since the AGM. PJ welcomed new board member MD to his first meeting and congratulated GS, DJ and RW on their election success as well as commiserating with those who were not in the first four.

1. Appointment of Secretary and Treasurer

AF indicated his willingness to continue as independent secretary for another year.

Vote: Proposed by AR and seconded by MD, it was resolved unanimously to appoint AF as independent secretary for the next 12 months.

The meeting discussed the position of treasurer which for the last few years has been a co-opted role. Keith Roberts has indicated his willingness to continue if the Board required his services.

Vote: Proposed by PJ and seconded by DJ, it was resolved by four votes in favour and two against with one abstention that KR be co-opted to the position of treasurer.

2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

AF confirmed that PJ had indicated his willingness to be reappointed as chair and that JM was again willing to be vice chair. There were no other nominations from board members.

Vote: Proposed by GS and seconded by DJ, it was resolved by six votes in favour with one abstention that PJ be appointed as Trust Chairman.

Vote: Proposed by GS and seconded by AR, it was resolved by six votes in favour with one abstention that JM be appointed as Trust Vice Chairman.

3. Election of Trust representatives on the Club Board

SH, JM, MW and GJ had indicated their willingness to sit on the FC Board as Trust representatives. There were no other nominations.

Vote: Proposed by PJ and seconded by TS, it was resolved unanimously that SH, JM, MW and GJ be appointed to sit on the Club Board for the next two years.

The meeting discussed the governance arrangements between the Trust and Club Boards, and possibly an occasional joint Board meeting. This was to be considered going forward.

4. Sub Groups

The meeting discussed the composition of the subgroups. The following was agreed:

Football Operations: - SH, JM, MW and GJ
Financial Security/Revenue Generation: - GS (lead)
Community Group: - AR (lead), TS (liaison with DSA)
Fans Ownership Group: - DJ (lead), RU and MD
Media/Publicity: - RW

It was agreed that the Board required two further co-opted members, one to focus on fundraising the other on community. It was agreed that, as last year, expressions of interest should be sought from the membership with a closing date of next Friday. Interested members are to meet with the relevant board members who will then make recommendations to the Board. It was agreed that if a previous Board member applied there was no need to “interview” them as their qualities etc. were already well known.

VOTE: Proposed by PJ and seconded by RU, it was resolved unanimously to seek applications from the membership for the two co-opted board positions

ACTION: AF to seek expressions of interest in co-opted Board positions from the membership

5. Club President and Vice Presidents

The meeting discussed the policy for appointments.

6. Minutes of Board meeting of 28 May 2015

VOTE: Proposed by AR and seconded by GS, it was resolved unanimously (by those who had been present) to accept the minutes as amended.

7. Charitable Partners 2015/16

Suggestions had been sought from community shareholders. Two new suggestions had been put forward. The Retired Greyhounds Association and the Men's Cancer Awareness Foundation.

VOTE: Proposed by PJ and seconded by TS it was resolved unanimously that this seasons charitable partners will be the Alzheimer's Society, Dynamic, the Caia Park Partnership and Men's Cancer Awareness Foundation.

8. Supporters Direct Community owned club conference/ SD Members Day/Supporters Summit

This is being held in Manchester on 17/18 July. We needed to register interest soon.

ACTION: All board members to inform AF on the Forum about their availability to attend as soon as possible.

9. Tranmere Rovers Trust

Ben Harrison the Trust chair and now associate director at Tranmere has been in touch asking to meet before the Tranmere matches. PJ has responded to him.

10. WST Strategic Plan

It was agreed that the Plan needed refreshing, including the targets, and the sub groups needed to be considered.

ACTION: All groups to consider their part of the Plan and post any amendments (or reasons why not) on the Forum prior to the next meeting.

11. AOB

- PJ informed the meeting that he had received a number of donations recently which should be acknowledged.

- The designer was working on the Mosaic with pictures of club legends to be added to make 550 photos -which will then be “doubled up”.
- SR has received a donation of medals from Bert Foster’s family which will be loaned to the museum.
- Arrangements for the Wrexham Festival were discussed.
- It was agreed that TS will be the liaison with the DSA.
- The Open Day was discussed but there were problems securing a suitable date. An Open Evening (between the 1st-8th August) may be feasible. PJ will speak to G Mills and Rhiannon Roberts.

It was agreed that the Board required another meeting in July- availability to be posted on the Forum -possibly the 16th July

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2300.

ACTIONS- from this meeting

No	Action	Who
1	To seek expressions of interest for co-opted Board positions from the membership	AF
2.	To consider any updates to the Trust Plan	All
3.	To post interest/availability for the SD events on 17/18 July	All

ACTIONS – carried over from previous meetings

No	Action	Who
1	To consider the draft cash handling policy placed on the Forum and post comments	All
2.	To post details of cash in transit insurance on Forum	KR
3.	To consider the Trusts banking arrangements	KR and MW