



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

**Held on:** Monday 1st February 2016, commencing at 19.30

**Venue:** The Boardroom, the Racecourse Ground, Wrexham

**Present:** Peter Jones (PJ), Richard Ulrich (RU), Mike Dean (MD), John Mills (JM), Alan Fox (AF), Dave Jones (DJ), Tom Stanford (TS), Spencer Harris (SH), Brian Phillips (BP), Stuart Roberts (SR), Gavin Jones (GJ)

**Absent:** Anita Robinson (AR -apologies received), Paul Smith (PS-apologies received), Mark Williams (MW -apologies received), Robin Wiggs (RW), Mark Roberts (MR),

**Chair:** Peter Jones

**1. Matters arising and approval of the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016**

No	Action	Who	Status as at 1/2/16
1	To write to RW	AF	Completed – see later
2.	To raise the funding of a Game Ready machine with the Federation	PJ	Completed – see later
3.	To post draft Club accounts on the Forum	MW	Completed
4	To start an AGM thread on the Forum	AF	Completed – see later
5	To contact raffle prize winners	PS	Uncertain

ACTIONS – carried over from previous meetings

No	Action	Who	
6.	To consider and comment on the strategic plan on the forum	All	Ongoing
7.	To contact S Gilbert re the disabled platforms	MW	Uncertain

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

GJ left the meeting at 2045

**2. Chairman's Report**

- PJ informed the meeting about the receipt of £2000 from the FA Charity Shield monies.

**VOTE:** Proposed by PJ & seconded by RU it was resolved unanimously to donate the sum to the Disabled Supporters Association with a request that half is put towards dementia signage at the ground

- PJ reported that the Supporters Federation had agreed to pay £3000 towards the game ready machine with contributions from the supports groups and the players
- PJ queried whether the players had membership cards

**Action:** SH to make enquiries

### **3. Football Club Operations**

SH had posted a detailed report on the Forum:

- 4 points from 4 games since last meeting plus lost in the FA Trophy
- 2 players signed until end of season
- Successful AGM facilitated with a profit announced
- 2016/17 kit supplier selected as Macron
- Conversation taken place with Conference regarding the Braintree postponement
- Positive visit by Carwyn Jones AM
- Student to join the staff on a voluntary basis from May to July to support ST's, Retail and potentially some projects such as Gold Bond
- MRS Tickets & Booth being parked until the summer
- WST Membership day home match V Boreham Wood – to be postponed

### **4. Financial Security & Revenue Generation Group**

- PS and MR were absent.
- BP yet to received induction/handover re the treasurer's role. MW has met with Keith Roberts

**Action:** MW to liaise with BP to hand over treasurer's role ASAP

### **5. Fans Ownership Group**

DJ had posted a report on the Forum –the key messages were:

- Membership stands at 3401
- Price dropped from £12 to £6 to reflect the second half of the season. 50 people have joined during January since.
- We are currently up to date with membership card issue
- A meeting with Geoff Scott was held where we discussed ideas of linking sponsorship with those companies providing membership benefits.
- Discarded ideas linking corporate membership to member's benefits. Agreed to pull together a list of benefits so Geoff can check if they are still valid and relaunch i.e. Nandos
- Aiming to get Big Red Survey issued around the Easter Monday. Input from various people as to the questions that should be included is required. Owners have been assigned to sections of the survey and we will be contacting each owner for their input to the questions to be asked. Owners are:  
About You - Fans Ownership Group  
You and Wrexham AFC - Fans Ownership Group  
Matchday Experience - FC Board (Spencer)  
Ticketing - Dianne / Mark  
Matchday Catering - Fans Ownership (will contact Glyndwr)  
Merchandise / Online Shop - Geoff / John  
Matchday Programme - Geoff / Geraint  
Communications - Carl Hogan / Robin / John / Geraint  
WST & Club Objectives (Each subgroup to provide questions)  
- Membership - Fans Ownership  
- Fundraising - Financial Security & Revenue Generation Group  
- Community - Community Group.

We will also need to agree with John the mechanics of getting the survey online and how we manage the responses

#### **6. Community Group**

- The Group met last Thursday which AR attended.
- Topics discussed included a football versus homophobia day and a half term event for Youths possibly a bowling day
- It was agreed that there was no longer a need to operate a Trust phone. Queries could be directed via the Club

**VOTE:** Proposed by PJ & seconded by SR it was resolved unanimously to withdraw the Trust phone which means amending letterheads and the website etc.

#### **7. Secretary's Report**

- AF had started an AGM thread on the Forum for key decisions to be made there. The first action would be to decide how many vacancies there are on the Board after the AGM in May. AR, TS and MW will complete their three year terms of office. The meeting agreed in principle that, applying the rules, there should be three vacancies
- AF will make enquiries about who is willing to sit on the election management group and post on the Forum for board members to comment

**Action:** AF to write to RW

#### **8. Strategic Plan**

- Carried over to next meeting

#### **9. AOB**

- SR mentioned two incidents on the away travel coach

The next meeting will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016

The meeting closed at 2210.

#### **ACTIONS- from this meeting**

No	Action	Who
1	To write to RW	AF
2	To enquire about players membership cards	SH
3	To make enquiries about EMG membership and post on the forum	AF
4	To liaise with BP to hand over treasurer's role	MW

#### **ACTIONS – carried over from previous meetings**

No	Action	Who
6.	To consider and comment on the strategic plan on the forum	All
7.	To contact S Gilbert re the disabled platforms	MW

