



TRUST IN YELLOW

Celebrating 10 years

Board Meeting: 11th July 2016

Board Members Present	Relationship to Meeting
Martin Robinson Noel Warham Howard Birch Alan Jones Bill Sloan Jordan Shandley Kayley Robinson	Chairman Vice-Chairman Board Member Press and Publicity Officer Membership Secretary Invited Guest to Meeting Invited Guest to Meeting
Apologies From Board Members	Relationship to Meeting
None	
Apologies from Trust Members	Relationship to Meeting
N/A	

Meeting Opened: 7:45pm

Agenda Item Number	Notes	Actions
1	Taking of Minutes NW offered to take the minutes for this meeting.	NW to type up minutes and distribute to all board members for verification. All board members to verify AJ to post minutes on website. MR to cover minutes in newsletter.
2	Apologies for Absence None	
3	Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters	MR to speak to CA re: Parker

	<p>Arising</p> <p>The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record. NW was thanked for his minute taking and designing the new format, which was positively received by all. It was decided to adopt this as the framework for all future minutes.</p> <p>HB asked if people could pay for their Memberships by Direct Debit. BS and MR said they would look into this.</p> <p>MR stated there had at that point been no contact from the club about the AGM.</p> <p>MR had written to someone at the Quiz League, who had said it was too late to enter a team for this season. However, they invited the Trust to enter a team in their end of season handicap cup in March/April.</p> <p>HB stated that Jon O’Byrne had not followed up on the proposed bar as of yet, but they would be discussing this in the next few weeks.</p> <p>There had been suggestions from some members in relation to the memorial plaque issue, that a ‘memorial wall’ could be set up, with revenue generated supporting Trust projects such as the bar, or disabled facilities.</p>	<p>Brewery.</p> <p>NW to speak to HP re: AGM and meeting between relative boards.</p> <p>HB to continue discussions with JOB re: Bar</p> <p>MR to discuss entering of Trust Team with members at next meeting.</p>
4	<p>Finances</p> <p>There had been very little change since the previous meeting. Although three outstanding bills were evident:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - J. Bennett – Trust Sweepstake - B. Sloan – Stationary - Maric Trophies 	<p>MR to contact CA re: Accounts</p>

5.	<p>Membership</p> <p>Membership essentially the same. There had been positive interest but no renewals as yet, but this was expected to occur at the home pre-season games and first few league games.</p>	<p>BS to continue to promote, and email lapsed members.</p> <p>NW/AJ/MR/HB to promote the Trust at the Everton game on 31/07/16, and at the Meet the Manager afterwards.</p>
6.	<p>Board Membership</p> <p>It was confirmed that both Rob English and Colin Aindow had stepped down from the board. Colin's decision to step down for personal reasons had saddened all members of the board especially as he had done such a good job as Treasurer since the passing of Phil Carder. However, MR confirmed he had spoken to CA who was happy to ensure things ran as smoothly as possible to help the transition to a new Treasurer. The Board were sad to see both members step down and wished to place on record their thanks to both for their time on the board, in particular CA for many years long and exceptional service.</p> <p>Potential replacements were discussed as it was felt imperative to have a new Treasurer in place as soon as possible. A few candidates were discussed, one of whom – Jordan Shandley – had expressed an interest in involvement. NW contacted Jordan who was free and happy to attend the meeting and discuss the role with the board. NW also stated that a friend of his – Kayley Robinson – had recently returned to the town after a few years working abroad and had also expressed an interest. NW contact Kayley who was also free and attended to learn more about any possible involvement.</p> <p>At the end of the meeting, both JS and KR were asked if they wished to join the Board, which they did, and they were unanimously co-opted onto the Board, with Jordan being appointed as Treasurer.</p>	<p>JS to liaise with MR/CA regarding handover of accounts and Treasurer paperwork.</p>

7.	<p>Disabled Facilities (HB)</p> <p>Graham Coule from Shoreside Architects had attended at the stadium before the Board meeting and was keen to get involved. He took some laser measurements of potential locations and was going to come up with some designs and contact HB to see what the next steps were. This would be a metal structure and potentially portable.</p> <p>Wes Hall and Dave Barnes have provided drawings of a wood design which according to Charlie Clapham and WH would cost in the region of £1500. Both MR and HB felt they would like both options to be put to members.</p> <p>It has been established that there will be no direct Merseyrail involvement with this project.</p> <p>Work is ongoing on the disabled toilets both in the ground and in the bar.</p>	<p>HB to liaise with CC/WH and Shoreside Architects to establish two alternatives to put to members for a meeting to take place immediately after the AGM.</p> <p>HB to speak to disabled supporters re: desired location.</p>
8.	<p>Past and Future Events/Activities (NW)</p> <p>The Phil Carder Cup Cricket Match had been a huge success both in terms of money raised and in goodwill generated. Thanks went particularly to Greg Pennington and all at Churchtown CC for an excellent event. The Trust team put up a much stronger showing than expected.</p> <p>Thanks to CA for running the Euro 2016 sweepstake, which had been won by John Bennett (Portugal).</p> <p>Thanks to Julia Urwin for enabling the Trust to sponsor the pre-season kit. This had featured in a prominent press release attended by Andy Bishop and NW.</p> <p>NW had spoken to Andy Bishop at this point and he was very keen to support the Trust. It had been agreed to do a Meet the Manager after the Everton</p>	<p>NW to email Stephen Whittle at the Atkinson and invite him to next board meeting.</p> <p>MR to order signs for end of stand, and get final quote for bypass sign.</p> <p>NW to contact Mr Seanor/Fag Ash Lil re: Dave Ratcliffe night.</p>

	<p>friendly on July 31st, which would be attended by AB, Craig Madden and Gary Jones.</p> <p>There was discussion of the next match signs. The signs on the end of the stand would stay, and the Queens Road one would not be used. The one on the bypass was more of an issue and it was decided to look at costs of replacing this with a design similar to that seen in the previous meeting.</p> <p>RU had asked the Trust to promote the Prediction League with forms supplied.</p> <p>AJ explained the Trust and Match Updates scenario. This now rested solely with the Club but Trust events and coach travel would still be promoted.</p> <p>NW set out the following provisional dates for events:</p> <p>Dave Ratcliffe Tribute night: September 17th Question of Sport: October 22nd Race Night: November 12th 10 Year Awards: January 21st 2017 End of Season Presentation: April 29th 2017</p> <p>Possible dates for the 50 year reunion of the promotion season are the weekends of the 25th March and 1st April.</p>	
9.	<p>Coach Travel</p> <p>MR had sent out for quote from 11 companies but only had answers from 4. Prices were discussed and decided for the first four away trips of the season.</p> <p>HB suggested having a separate mobile phone for coach enquiries which it was felt would be a good idea.</p> <p>Potential weekend trips were also discussed.</p>	<p>MR to email coach prices to board members</p> <p>AJ/NW to post these online.</p> <p>HB to look into Trust phone for booking.</p> <p>HB to ask for Weekender suggestions on PortChat.</p>
10.	Website	AJ to give NW website

	<p>After Colin's resignation, AJ is the only person with access to the website, although he is only able to enter news and not edit any other content.</p>	<p>password and Twitter password.</p> <p>AJ to email Daniel Hayes for admin password to change content of site.</p> <p>MR to ask membership for anyone with website interest/experience/expertise/enthusiasm who may be willing to assist. HB to post this on Port Chat. NW/AJ to publicise on Social Media.</p>
11.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Advertising at Southport Rail Station was discussed, and it was felt we could present some sort of poster for fixtures.</p> <p>KR alerted the Board to the opportunity to bid for funds at Waitrose through their Community Matters scheme.</p>	<p>AJ to design poster, and to discuss copying/printing with Karbon Kopy via HP.</p> <p>NW/KR to organise Community Matters bid.</p>

Meeting Closed: 10:15pm

Next Meeting: Board Meeting on Thursday 4th August at 8pm