



Dundee FC Supporters' Society Limited

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Minutes of the DFCSS Board Meeting held at: LJRH Architects' office, 18 South Tay Street on 18th May 2017, commencing at 7.45pm.

Meeting Chair: Bob Hynd (BH)

Minute Secretary: Ian Baird (IB)

Attendees: Carol Findlay (CF), Bob Hynd (BH), Dave Forbes (DF), Ian Baird (IB) Fergus Storrier (FS)

Apologies: None

ITEM	AGENDA	ACTION
1.	<p>Welcome and introduction:</p> <p>Bob Hynd (BH) was appointed Chair for the meeting and welcomed everyone including Fergus Storrier (FS) who was attending his first Board Meeting.</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes of previous meeting/matters arising/approval:</p> <p>BH agreed to speak to the individual who offered to contribute to the "Oor Bobby" fund, regarding the unpaid donation".</p> <p>DF agreed to forward the final details of the Legends' Dinner accounts to CF.</p> <p>IB agreed to hand the stock of DVD's to DF for distribution to young supporters,</p> <p>In connection with the new stadium proposal FS raised points with regard to the "common good" resulting from the stadium proposal. BH confirmed that through the planning process the Club is likely to be asked to demonstrate the "community benefits" of the stadium and there may be an opportunity for dialogue with the Club on this matter. BH offered to investigate.</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting on the 16th March 2017 were proposed by CF and seconded by DF.</p>	<p>BH</p> <p>DF</p> <p>IB/DF</p> <p>BH</p>
3.	<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <p>IB confirmed the details and the cost (£60) of online 'InTouch' training for CF and himself. Calum Findlay may also join in on the training session. The Board agreed that training is well worth pursuing.</p> <p>IB outlined the information in the final draft of the Supporters Direct report on Scottish Senior Football Clubs' ownership and governance. The details on DFC were tabled for discussion and a number of points noted that should be highlighted to SD. IB confirmed that he would forward the information before the 29th May deadline. The final report should be available to the public in June/July 2017.</p> <p>IB confirmed that there had been a number of requests from supporters who travelled on the Society bus to the Motherwell for similar trips to away games next season. This matter is addressed below.</p> <p>IB updated the Board on his positive meeting with Kenny Ross (DSA) and confirmed that they had both agreed to exchange information relating to areas of common interest and meet again as necessary.</p>	<p>IB/CF</p> <p>IB</p> <p>IB</p> <p>IB</p>



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4.	<p>Finance Report:</p> <p>BoS Account: Action is continuing to secure a transfer of the BoS balance into the RBS account. DF agreed to continue helping through his contact.</p> <p>Bank Balances:</p> <p>CF delivered a financial update.</p> <p>2015/16 Accounts:</p> <p>With Walker Dunnnett for auditing and may be finalised in time for the adjourned AGM in addition to the 2014/15 accounts.</p>	<p>DF</p> <p>CF</p> <p>CF</p>
5.	<p>Primary Supporter Representative's Report:</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>NB: Following Brian Lawrence's resignation the Society has no Primary Supporter Representative and the Board agreed that action should be taken as a matter of high priority to find a replacement.</p>	<p>All</p>
6	<p>Secondary Supporter Representative's Report:</p> <p>BH confirmed that he would pursue the matters referred to above.</p>	<p>BH</p>
7.	<p>Review of coach to Motherwell and future trips:</p> <p>It was agreed that the special initiative to run a bus to the Motherwell game had been a great success. 50% of those who travelled were women and children and a number had not previously been to an away game. Many also indicated that they'd like to occasionally travel to future games with the Society.</p> <p>The Board agreed that up to six games should be considered for next season and members could be asked which games they would prefer to attend. This proposal requires further development and it's also important the approval of DSA be secured. IB agreed that he'd contact Kenny Ross on the subject and report back.</p>	<p>IB</p>
8.	<p>Review of schools football finals sponsorship:</p> <p>DF confirmed that the Society sponsorship of the trophy and medals for the U15's final was a success and confirmed that he would inform the Board on the details of the other finals.</p> <p>FS suggested that the Society should invite members to attend the games and DF agreed to sound out some of his contacts. IB also suggested that details of the remaining games should be uploaded onto the Society website to promote the sponsorship and encourage members to attend.</p>	<p>DF</p> <p>DF/IB</p>
9.	<p>Planning for the adjourned AGM:</p> <p>IB updated the meeting on the plans and it was agreed that everything was progressing well. The agreed date is 15th June.</p>	



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	<p>DF confirmed that the Dundee Social Club could host the AGM and FS offered to invite Barry Smith to come along and do a Q&A after the meeting with Pies and Bovril for everyone. All agreed with the proposal.</p> <p>IB also confirmed that according to the Society's rules the numbers that attend will be the quorum.</p>	<p>DF FS</p> <p>IB</p>
10.	<p>Membership renewals:</p> <p>It was agreed that the annual membership fee should be £5 and an attractive promotional package should be developed in advance of the launch. Details are to be agreed following the adjourned AGM.</p> <p>FS also suggested that a small focus group should be set up possibly based on those who attend the AGM to establish what members would like the Society to do in the future. DF agreed to help FS on this.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>FS/DF</p>
11.	<p>Walking Football update:</p> <p>DSA is holding a taster session in June and FS agreed to contact Jacqui Robertson to offer advice and support. The outcome of the event will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.</p> <p>IB confirmed that he would update Kenny Ross.</p>	<p>FS</p> <p>IB</p>
12.	<p>Future activities:</p> <p>Due to time constraints on the meeting it was agreed to carry this item forward to the next Board meeting.</p>	
13.	<p>Future income streams:</p> <p>IB handed information received from a member on easyfundraising.org.uk to FS for investigation. CF confirmed that income has been received by the Society from this source.</p> <p>Due to time constraints on the meeting it was agreed to carry this item forward to the next Board meeting.</p>	<p>FS</p>
14.	<p>Website and social media update:</p> <p>FS offered to contact MTC to discuss a range of media matters and report back.</p> <p>It was also agreed that the Society need a good library of photos for the website and FS suggested the members could be asked to submit photos. All agreed it was a good suggestion worthy of development.</p>	<p>FS</p> <p>All</p>
15.	<p>DFC shares update:</p> <p>IB confirmed that the Club submitted its shareholding 'Confirmation Statement' to Companies House on the 13th February 2017. Based on the information in the document DFCSS holds 17.0% 'Ordinary' shares and 10.4% 'A Ordinary' shares which amounts to a total shareholding of 27.4% and makes the Society the largest shareholder after FPS at 57.0%.</p>	



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16.	AOB: IB to source a Data Protection Policy template from OSCAR IB to also source a Volunteering Policy template from OSCAR	 IB IB
17.	Date of next meeting: TBC following the adjourned AGM	 All