

Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Monday, 26th September 2011 at the Liberty Stadium, Swansea commencing at 5.35pm.

Present:

Phil Sumbler, Huw Cooze, Ron Knuszka, Alan Lewis, Stuart McDonald, Ian James, John Heycock, Cath Dyer, Will Morris, Viv Brooks, Nigel Hamer (Secretary).

Apologies:

Jim White, Craig Mapstone, Gareth James, Viv Williams, Kevin Mahoney.

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th September had previously been circulated and approved.

Confirmation of the re-appointment of Nigel Hamer as Secretary of the Swansea City Supporters Society Limited.

Supporter Director Report:

HC reported that there had been no Club Board meeting in recent weeks therefore little to report. However, our training facilities were high on the Club agenda. Our Club Scouts are leaving no stone unturned in the pursuit of new players in January. A fuller report should be available at the next Board Meeting.

Treasurers Report:

SMcd had forwarded our accounts our Auditors as a result it should mean that our AGM will take place on the 26th September, confirmation of this will be made during the week by e-mail. We are still waiting for our cheque for the Awards Dinner which was held in May.

TBM 077/06 Fans Forum:

HC reported that there had been an excellent turnout at the Fans Forum held on the 8th September in the refurbished Business Club Lounge at the Liberty Stadium. Brendan Rodgers, Huw Jenkins were joined by players Steve Caulker and Kemy Agustine. All four top table guests answered questions in an open and positive manner.

PS reported that we had received a request to hold a Fans Forum in Aberdare, it was agreed that this should be considered for early in the New Year.

TBM 082/06 Swansea City 2002 Limited:

HC reported that a Shareholders meeting had taken place prior to the away fixture at Arsenal on the 10th September. The outcome of the meeting was that a new Shareholders Document was with the Club's Lawyers.

TBM 085/06 Website:

No report available.

TBM 086/07 Community Group:

HC to arrange with the Club for three lanyards to be available for the pitchside draw of the Premier League raffle prior to the Stoke City fixture on Sunday 2nd October. **PS** thanked **VB, RK, AL,** and **GJ** for their efforts in promoting and dealing with the Premier League Raffle. **RK** reported that a provisional date for the Ten Pin Bowling Night would be 2nd November. **VB** is checking with the Pavilion at St. Helen's for a Horse Race Nite.

TBM 125/08 Centenary 2012:

Nothing further to report since last meeting.

TBM 127/08 Disability Issues:

IJ reported that he had been in contact with Members over a number of Disability Issues. It was agreed that we should publicise that Board Member, Ian James, is the Disability Officer on behalf of the Football Club.

TBM 139/09 Memorial Garden:

NH reported that we were expecting a response from the Chairman of SSMC, Councillor Graham Thomas and their September meeting. Unfortunately the Chairman of SSMC was off sick and no decision had been made. Hopefully we shall have some news from the SSMC October meeting.

TBM 140/10 5 A Side Football Tournament:

No report available.

TBM 141/11 Regional Groups:

No report available.

TBM 142/11 Wall Of Fame.

NH advised we shouldn't get too excited as we were still waiting confirmation from SSMC. However, we would have to propose individual name plaques rather than the full size plaque discussed at the last Board Meeting.

TBM 143/11 Business Sector:

PS advised that **VW** and **GJ** had agreed to look after our interaction with the Business sector in our catchment area and beyond.

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Catering:

JH expressed some concern about food prices at the Stadium. Catering Staff indicated that prices had risen due to us being in the Premier League. **HC** indicated that SSMC had agreed a food and beverages contract with FMC and as such it was not a Football Club issue. **HC** also doubted that prices had risen due to us being in the Premier League.

Matchday Supporter Flags:

There had been much discussion about flags at home matches. Stewards had indicated that they had to be fire retardant. Instructions had been issued by Lyn Phillips, Stadium Manager. **HC** will take up this matter with the Club Board, who in turn will raise the concern with SSMC, it does appear to be an HSE matter.

Miners Fund Matchday Collection Chelsea FC.

A bucket collection had been taken at the away match at Stamford Bridge on the 24th September, almost £10,000 had been collected and Chelsea FC agreed to match the collection with a donation, raising almost £20,000.

FAQ Trust Website:

PS indicated that **WM** will deal with FAQ's posted on our website.

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.35pm. Next Meeting, to be confirmed.

Phil Sumbler..... Chairman.