

Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Monday, 28th November 2011 at the Liberty Stadium, Swansea commencing at 5.40pm.

Present:

Phil Sumbler, Jim White, Huw Cooze, Ron Knuszka, Stuart McDonald, Ian James, Will Morris, Gareth James, Viv Williams, Craig Mapstone, Cath Dyer, Luke Morgan, Alan Lewis, Nigel Hamer (Secretary).

Apologies:

Viv Brooks, John Heycock, Kevin Mahoney.

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th November had previously been circulated and approved.

Supporter Director Report:

HC gave full reports on the following:

Training facilities at Llandarcy long and short term.
Youth facilities and Landore development.
Contract talks with Manager ongoing.
Progression on the Commercial front including plans for the Centenary in 2012/13.

Treasurers Report:

SMcD gave an overview of our income as a result of our Free Membership initiative set up for Season 2011/12. Due to a lack of time it was agreed that we would discuss the continuation of the Free Membership at our January meeting.

TBM 077/06 Fans Forum:

It was agreed that we would decide the programme for future Fans Forums at our January meeting. JW had been asked about a second Fans Forum in London. It was agreed that we look at the eve of the Tottenham Hotspur fixture on the 30th March. Venue to be decided in the New Year.

TBM 082/06 Swansea City 2002 Limited:

Nothing further to report from last Board Meeting. It is hoped that there will be a meeting during December.

TBM 085/06 Website:

JW reported that the re-launch of the updated website is imminent. It was agreed that we ask the Evening Post if we can resurrect *Trust Talk* which had been our mouthpiece to our Members in previous years.

TBM 086/07 Community Group:

No report.

TBM 125/08 Centenary 2012:

WM reported that the appointment of a Data Collection Controller who will undertake the financial management of the Centenary 2012 project had been made, this post will commence in January 2012.

HC to follow up the AOB item from the 14th November meeting regarding the painting in Swans colours of a *First Cymru* bus with the General Manager at *First Cymru*.

TBM 127/08 Disability Issues:

IJ awaiting a date from Level Playing Field's Jackie Newing to arrange a Forum.

TBM 139/09 Memorial Garden & TBM 142/11 Wall Of Fame:

NH reported that although we had met in June we were still awaiting a response from SSMC.

TBM 141/11 Regional Groups:

No report available.

TBM 143/11 Business Sector:

VW presented a written report entitled *Swansea Supporters Trust Discount Scheme* with the prime objective to raise in the region of £5,000 from businesses within the fanbase area. Board Members are asked to provide 6-10 business names for the next meeting.

TBM 144/11 Community Involvement:

SMcD suggested that as it was in our Constitution we should look at becoming more involved in Community related projects. We should look at projects and report back at the next meeting.

TBM 145/11 Easyfundraising:

SMcD believes that we should promote this scheme which is easy to register online and will help to raise funds for the Trust. AL confirmed that there is a link on our website.

A.O.B.

AL had received a request from St. Fagans Museum interested in meeting with us about "*documenting the Swans rise to the Premier League.*" A meeting was suggested for the 16th-17th January. AL and CD to attend.

RK reminded the Board that we still have a number of John Charles signed shirts. NH was asked to provide a letter of Authenticity to Dorian's Heel Bar for the previously purchased shirt. The date of the signing was 21st September, 2003.

JW had been contacted by *Supporters Direct* regarding Nominations for the National Council. NH had received the regular *Supporters Direct* e-mail regarding this request. NH suggested that if JW was keen to put his name forward, we should support the nomination. Agreed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm. Next Meeting, Monday 9th January 2012.

Phil Sumbler..... Chairman.