



Whitley Bay FC Supporter's Club

Committee Meeting Minutes

18 September 2019

Attendees:

Doug Parker (DP); Paul Athey (PA); Richard Reeves (RR); David Moore (DM); Stephen Tyley (ST); Fred Kelly (FK); Bryan Clarke (BC); Chris Smith (CS); .

Board Representative(s): Martin Kelly (MK).

Apologies for absence: Lynn Bone (LB); Keith Gibson (KG); Ken Thomas (KT); James Wright (JW).

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

PA opened the meeting then read through the previous minutes. The dressing room painting is now finished. The programme hut has been erected. Sales of programmes have gone down so sales will be made from the outside table for a match for comparison purposes. KG is a lot better and out of hospital. The Tommy Moody sign has been put up and the Directors would like to name the club lounge after Tommy.

Acceptance of the Minutes as a true record was proposed by FK and seconded by DP.

Round Table:

ST: The Treasurer's report was read out.

PA: Extra help has been requested but no contact received. One of the new juice containers was broken yesterday and BC is looking at new replacements.

DM: We have 48 members who have paid £172 in subscriptions. DP suggested getting the corporate box cleaned and have a supporter's club day to increase membership. A letter has been sent to Alan OBrien thanking him for the signage. A discussion was held about the possibility of appointing a youth ambassador to get involved in the programme and schools. MK to invite Marcus Devlin and his friend.

DP: The new shop till is now in operation. DP has sold or has promises for 52 xmas party tickets. The owner of the Killingworth Arms operates minibs hire and DP has contact cards. We cannot extend the shop at the moment so DP has purchased a wall grid to display clothing. KT will install. There is currently a special promotion at Bolams with 40% discount on goods so DP will purchase 5 coats. The Reserves have no medical kit so DP has ordered one at a cost of £36. ST asked if there was a qualified first aider but no one knew. A good wishes letter to be sent to Norman de Bruin of Percy Main FC re Joe Rowan was proposed following his bad injury and subsequent hospitalisation. It was also proposed that Barry Cummins should get Life Membership of the supporters club for all his work on programme

sales. The Board are considering a certificate of appreciation. All were in agreement. ST wondered if a special badge might be appropriate.

RR: Nothing significant.

FK: Nothing significant.

MK: The Board wants to wait until nearer the time to discuss the FA Vase celebration. CS said that he would be happy to run some entertainment. The Board would be happy for the SC to organise this. The clubhouse roof has priority. The Executive committee discussion is on hold. The new sponsorship leaflets have been produced but help is needed to deliver them in Beaumont Park and Redhouse Farm areas. Some new sponsorship offers have been devised. We can get commission by introducing companies to an energy saving organisation and everyone is encouraged to consider this. MK has a meeting with former chairman Alan Lingwood who is now at Alnwick re their letter draw.

BC: We do not currently have a president and BC suggested LB. All agreed. DP said that we need to change the signatories on the cheque account following the death of Tommy Moody and PA volunteered.

CS: The first team twitter page is good but the reserves is not. Could the first team page be used to display comment on the reserves? Problem would be having someone to do it. CS will speak to Richard Stretton as a possible volunteer.

Meeting closed at 20.15. Next meeting 19:00 on 30.10.19.