

Minutes from Torquay United Supporters Trust Meeting - 2nd July 2007

Present: Chris Fleet (CF)
Hayden Jones (HJ)
Simon Cavanna (SC)
Phil Smith (PS)
Jon Gibbes (JG)
Laurie Noble (LN)
Andrew Fiderkiewicz (AF)
Jon Lear (JL)
Maria Lunn (ML)

John Dawson (JD) - visiting

<u>Minutes of last meeting and matters arising</u>	
Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.	
HJ not yet arranged information pack for DB but would be done soon.	HJ
AF - Club letter to fans forum attendees - to be carried over.	
Open Meeting agenda was thrown off due to PB leaving early. In attendance from club were Alex Rowe, Darryl Batten, Ian Hayman and Dave Bristow.	
HJ/SC attended the Trust meeting in Bristol and reported back.	
HJ confirmed that Dave Treharne had agreed to scrutinise our election.	
CF had sorted out a new server and was in the process of sorting out the direct posting to the site.	
A PO Box was in the process of being sorted out. The PO Box letters would be directed to LN's home address. The expenditure for this was approved by the Board. There was some discussion about a registered office address and ML said she would speak to her employers to see if they would allow us to use their address as our registered office.	ML
PS had requested a solicitor's letter to register the amendments to the bank account.	

<p><u>Financial Report</u></p> <p>PS produced a report which showed an overall balance of £4,400 with £100 yet to be banked.</p> <p>AF suggested that before or after the SGM that a budget should be set up with allocations for different things. Suggestion to set up a Budget Committee. To be raised again at a later date.</p> <p>CF asked about the numbers for the magazine and it was confirmed that 1000 magazines would need to be printed. It was confirmed that the cover price of £1 would be printed on the magazine and JG suggested that these be sold through Shiphay Post Office.</p> <p>It was suggested that old badges and car stickers might be sold on EBay.</p> <p>There was some discussion with regard to Direct Debits but it was agreed to defer this to the next meeting, although there was some discussion on whether the direct debit form printed in the magazine should be as an insert or stapled into the magazine. HJ and liaise with PS about the Direct Debit form</p>	<p>HJ/PS</p>
<p><u>Membership Report</u></p> <p>LN reported that there were 377 registered members. The Open Meeting had provided 16 new members and the Paint the Club Day had produced another 2 members. There was some discussion with regard to including the date of birth on the membership form for adults and children.</p> <p>It was agreed to print new membership forms which showed the PO Box Number and the date of birth. It as agreed that HJ would arrange for 500 to be printed</p>	<p>HJ</p>
<p><u>Feedback from Meeting with Torquay United</u></p> <p>CF stated that it has been agreed that there would be monthly meeting and the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 11 July 2007.</p>	

<p><u>Future Events and Working Groups</u></p> <p>CF suggested that we look to setting up a Junior Gulls section and it was hoped to enlist the help of Simon and Sandra Keith for this.</p> <p>It was agreed to enlist the help of foot soldiers for various working groups to look at “Torbay’s Got Talent”, training with the players, etc. These would need to be addressed before the school’s broke up for their summer holidays and it was suggested that we might enlist the help of Frank Prince.</p> <p>JD mentioned about the catering and CG suggested that a working group be set up to look into this for the future. JD was asked to speak with Sally with regard to the existing franchise and any future franchise.</p> <p>CF/HJ talked about the stewarding of the Club and a suggestion was put forward to advertise in the Job Centre.</p>	
<p><u>Dot. Net Protocol</u></p> <p>Discussions took place on this item. It was felt that if there was something disparaging put into the dot-net site that only one person should reply perhaps by private email. JL was happy to monitor the dot. net site and redirect people to our own website or the Boards.</p> <p>AF suggested that JD might like to put some comments on the dot. Net site following his attendance at the meeting. SC would speak with Mercer.</p>	JD/SC
<p><u>Paint the Ground Day</u></p> <p>As not everything had been finished on Saturday there would be another Paint the Ground Day on Saturday and this would be advertised via the radio and press.</p> <p>AF gave a vote of thanks on behalf of the Board to CF for all his hard work in arranging this.</p>	
<p><u>First General Meeting Planning</u></p> <p>It was agreed to wait until the fixtures list was available before agreeing the date for this to be held.</p>	

<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p>CF suggested we could download a template for a poster for the fixtures list which could then be put out into pubs and restaurants.</p> <p>SC/HJ reported on Corporate Membership. It had been suggested that the cost of this should be £107, this to include the usual benefits of membership plus some extras. The Board unanimously agreed this figure and SC advised that he knew of 4 people who were interested in taking this up.</p> <p>HJ suggested that we have a Children's Secretary and it was suggested this might be Sandra Keith who would be co-opted to the Board.</p> <p>ML would ask if her employers would be prepared to act as the solicitors for the TUST.</p> <p>PS asked about the Coco-Cola money situation. SC/HJ advised that the Club were aware of this and were looking into it.</p>	<p>HJ</p> <p>ML</p>
<p><u>Date and Time of next meeting</u></p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday 16th July 2007 at 19.45</p>	