

WYCOMBE WANDERERS TRUST

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Minutes of WWSGL Board “Agenda A” Meeting on Thursday 28th May 2020 commencing at 7:00pm via Video conferencing

Directors Present: Nigel Kingston (Chair), Lisa Bowker, Alan Cecil, David Cook, John Derben, Tony Hector, John Jewell, Peter Lerner, Bob Massie, David Roberton, Trevor Stroud.

Board Attendees: Martyn Broughton (Group Treasurer).

Apologies: None.

1. Minutes from previous meeting and Matters arising:

Minutes of the 30th April 2020 meeting were presented and accepted by the Board.

Matters Arising:

- website bios / photos updated as / where appropriate;
- JD’s volunteers report has been sent to Rob Couhig (“RC”) / Pete Couhig (“PC”) who have promised to review and revert as appropriate. DC advised RC/PC values role and propose moving forward with it once current lockdown situation eased;
- NK has written to the ICO: response awaited, but no urgency as current registration runs to 31Aug20.

2. Financial Update / Football Club Matters:

MB had previously circulated the WWSGL cashflow:

- reflects facemasks sales position;
- Share Scheme, which ends this financial year, has generated c.£30k this year and this will need to be replaced. A few contributors have indicated their intention to continue making their £20/£30 per month contributions and AC to provide MB with a forecast. **Action: AC;**
- a 12month cashflow forecast will be prepared for the next Trust Board meeting. **Action: MB;**
- NK proposed a Vote of Thanks to AC for the amazing amount of work he has undertaken with the Share Scheme over the last five years. A view fully endorsed by the Board.

TS advised:

- RC proposing to issue a statement to cover the club’s position re curtailment of the league;
- League One curtailment proposals and likely timings discussed;
- club has had to prepare a ‘Back to Training’ procedure in response to Government and EFL protocol (in draft and awaiting EFL approval) and a Risk Assessment conducted;
- all but six staff remain on furlough;
- difficulty in addressing expiring player contracts noted;
- no action yet taken re Season Tickets, pending understanding the outcome of the 2019/20 season and how / when 2020/21 to be addressed;
- letter re football re-structure sent to Department for Digital Culture Media & Sport by Damian Collins MP and others raised – signed by number of MPs ostensibly on behalf of their local football club and includes Steve Baker who has signed “for Wycombe Wanderers Football Club”. TS confirmed that he was not aware of any discussions having taken place between Steve Baker and the club. Noted that Shrewsbury Town FC Chairman has commented on the letter on social media reiterating the club’s wish to curtail the season.

DR left the meeting at 7:57pm in order to prepare for the local Key Workers appreciation event.

3. Safeguarding: (taken out of order)

- nothing to report.

5. Facemask Update: (taken out of order)

- AC advised that the bulk of the administration has fallen on BM due to the current circumstances – all acknowledged the amount of work BM has undertaken;
- number of lessons learnt on using eBay and PayPal that will help with future ventures;
- heading for a surplus of c.£4k to be split with One Can Trust;
- AC mentioned One Can Trust's level of urgency for funding and proposed making an interim payment to assist with meeting their needs. Graham Peart to be approached to discuss best method for distribution of funds. AC has an alternate contact name if required. **Action: TS.**

The meeting was paused at 8:00p to allow directors to participate in the Key Workers appreciation event and recommenced at 8:08pm.

- BM confirmed the eBay have waived their fees and discussions continue with PayPal to agree a reduction in theirs;
- consideration to any 'idiosyncratic' merchandise the Trust can sell. However, care to be taken not to 'cut-across' WWFC and agreement to items should be sought with RC/PC first;
- TS and Benedict Musola will be using the WWSET minibus to make further One Can Trust deliveries

4. Fundraising Action Plan:

JJ had previously circulated an email summarising the various ideas discussed with directors individually:

- subsequently, looked to reduce ideas to six that gave potential best returns, were 'easiest' to achieve and acceptable to all, including the club;
- whilst important that we know where we are aiming to raise, a core financial target has yet to be set as will be dependent on potential level of capital raising required by the club as COVID-19 consequences are clarified;
- however, key is to 'get started' as delay will be counter-productive;
- with the club being a genuine 'community asset' consideration to also be given to any potential community grants the Trust may be able to access. Aware there would need to be a 'community aim' rather than just trying to underpin club funding. Involvement of WWSET in any such activities essential in view of their expertise in this area;
- team leaders allocated to each of the Top Six ideas to progress matters. Aim to have a draft plan formulated by 15Jun20 for circulation ahead of next Trust Board meeting.

6. Website relaunch:

- there are a few minor wrinkles to resolve, but on course for the new website to be launched 01Jun20 as planned;
- not intending to repeat club website and thus new content required. Any articles, proposals to be submitted to NK;
- questioned whether individual permission required to include photographs in which spectators could be identified. **Subsequently, confirmed 29May20 by club Media Dept that in ground regulations buying a ticket covers acceptance you may appear in photographs / videos. However, if anyone specifically requested that a photograph be removed, we would have to comply with that request;**
- prominence of "Easy Fundraising" praised. Being regularly promoted on social media and there are now c.160 users;

- agreement to proceed to launch given, subject to any feedback on critical issues for amendment by identified to BM/AC. **Action: ALL.**

7. PALS:

- a number of programmes are planned and ready to commence once the situation allows.

8. WWSET:

- continuing 'Keep Moving Forward' mental health initiatives.

9. WWLFC:

- possibility of Wycombe Wanderers Ladies playing at least some games at Adams Park in future now that Reading Ladies are to play at Elm Park considered and to be raised with RC/PC. **Action: TS.**

10. A.O.B.:

AC - had asked for number of Trust Life Members remaining. Advised by NK as 101.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9:28pm.

Date and time of next scheduled meeting: 7:00pm Thursday 25th June 2020.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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