

Dons Trust Board Meeting

Thursday 4 December 2014

The Cherry Red Records Stadium

President's Lounge



MINUTES PART 2 - redacted version

Members:

Matthew Breach (MB)
David Growns (DG)
Zoe Linkson (ZL)
Jane Lonsdale (JL)
Mark Davis (MD)
Kris Stewart (KS)
Sean McLoughlin (SM)

Invited:

Erik Samuelson (ES) (items 1 to 4.11 only)
David Hall (DH) – Dons Trust Secretary
Rob Crane (RC) (Secretariat)
Michael Hayes (MH) (Secretariat)

Apologies:

Moorad Choudhry
Iain McNay

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<p>4.20</p> <p>4.21</p> <p>4.22</p>	<p><i>This section has been redacted.</i></p> <p>There was discussion on the practicalities of ensuring the required majorities for taking restricted actions. It was agreed that this must involve engaging with the membership as early and effectively as possible. There should be a simple announcement on the website to the effect that now that the planning application has been lodged, steps are being taken which may involve a disposal of KM. A verbal summary can also be given at the AGM.</p> <p>Community Share Issue</p> <p>KS was concerned that ES would not have the capacity to run this, bearing in mind all his other commitments. Outside help will be needed from experts in the field. Supporters Direct have experience in this area. KS volunteered to investigate who best to work with. MB to discuss workload with ES and how to take on outside help. DG will speak to SD.</p>	<p>KS/DG/MB</p> <p>KS/DG/MB</p>
<p>5.0</p> <p>5.1</p> <p>5.2</p> <p>5.3</p> <p>5.4</p> <p>5.5</p> <p>5.6</p> <p>6.0</p> <p>6.1</p>	<p>AGM Preparation</p> <p>Agenda Items include:</p> <p>DTB Minutes Resolution Organisation Paper Associate Directors Paper Ticket Pricing survey DT Members Matchday Representation</p> <p>MB asked that DG familiarise himself with those matters to be led by MB, in case MB does not get re-elected.</p> <p>It was noted that the Ticket Pricing Survey is live and the deadline for responses is end December. The Board recorded a vote of thanks to the Working Group.</p> <p>The Associate Directors Paper does not seek a vote from membership. The aim is to raise the issue and have a debate.</p> <p>JL will provide an update on Webjam.</p> <p>Matchday representation – KS said that he has emailed John Stembridge and is awaiting a response.</p> <p>DTB Election Update</p> <p>This has involved DH in an enormous amount of work, but will be concluded satisfactorily. Changing the membership process has been time consuming and has impacted adversely on the election process. Thanks were recorded to Graham Stacey for organising the Twitter forum. He has been invited to join the ESG for next year.</p> <p>DH has a meeting on Tuesday 9 December to check and count the votes, so</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>DG</p> <p>JL</p>

6.2	should not be at the very last minute as last time. It was agreed that he should aim to inform the candidates of the result before the AGM, to avoid problems in the past resulting from not knowing until the AGM itself.	DH
6.3	RC advised that wording for the AGM summary and election results needs to be provided by 15 December at latest in order to go in the Mansfield programme.	DH
	AOB/Roundup	DH
7.0	MB will circulate the meeting dates for 2015. The next meeting is provisionally 22 January*. SGMs covering restricted actions to be factored in.	
7.1	ZL reported that she attended the first meeting of the Expert Working Group of the Supporter Ownership Working Group. They are gathering evidence on issues relating to supporters' trusts. She may not be able to attend all meetings, but if necessary a substitute will be accepted, as it is recognised that fan owned club boards have daytime jobs.	MB
7.2	JL/ZL reported that the Junior Dons Christmas party was a success. Attendance was the same as last year being 79 on the day including 45 Junior Dons, 19 juniors who paid £10 at the door, and 15 players' children. 15 players attended, plus Neal, Neil and SB. James Shea was a super Father Christmas.	
7.3	MB is to recirculate the stall rota.	
7.4	MD reported that the Minithon on 19 April 2015 will raise money for the AFCW Foundation not the Dons Trust and will be at Wimbledon Park and thus will provide opportunity for engagement with the community.	MB
7.5	MD also reported that the ticket pricing survey which is now live will close on 31 December.	
7.6	JL reported that Webjam is on track. David Reeves has been trained. The plan is to launch to the DTB in January.	
7.7	SM requested that the next FCB Report should list grants received by the AFCW Foundation since inception.	
7.8	JL reported that at ES's request she has agreed to be interviewed as a woman on a football club board about issues around supporter owned clubs.	MB
7.9	Date of Next DTB Meetings	
8.0	Wednesday 10 December (AGM); provisionally 22 January*; SGMs for restricted actions to be arranged.	
	The meeting finished at 22.56.	

* Post meeting note – this was subsequently changed to 19 January