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MINUTES

Meeting of the Society Board

Date: 25/02/12

Time: 11.30

Place: The Pilot Inn

PRESENT

Colin Pike (Chair), David Spence, Gordon Dickson, Karen Thorburn, David Cook, Bill Purvis, Michael Smyth, Ron Kirk and John Bell.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Keith Hall

Colin welcomed all to the first meeting of 2012.

1. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS/APPOINTMENTS

CHAIRMAN: Colin Pike; proposed by D. Cook, seconded by J. Bell

VICE-CHAIR: David Cook; proposed by C. Pike, seconded by M. Smyth

TREASURER: Gordon Dickson; proposed by D. Cook, seconded by C. Pike

MEMB. SECRETARY: Bill Purvis; proposed by D. Cook, seconded by G. Dickson

SECRETARY: Karen Thorburn; proposed by D. Cook, seconded by C. Pike

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 05/11/11 were accepted as a true record, proposed by Bill Purvis, seconded by Ron Kirk.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Covered on the agenda or through action tracking.

Clarity was asked for on 'member's schemes'. These are the three schemes that members had been asked to vote for that the Trust would fund as a donation to the club.

4. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES REPORT

Membership stands at 232; we gained 3 and lost 2 in January.

5. TREASURERS REPORT

Balance is £1402.79. We have paid the remainder of our commitment to the club. There are a few bills in, for printing, stadium advertising and professional fees.

6. CLUB REPORT

John gave those present an update on developments with the stadium, such as the duck toilet etc.

He spoke briefly of difficulties with funding from groups either side of the border due to our geographical location.

The Club is looking into enabling the three teams to train at the same location, ideally on 3G pitches.

Zoo wish to stay shirt suppliers to BRFC. May alternate strip changes. White strip may have to be changed due to clashes, though has been a popular strip. Zoo have their own in-house designers, meaning the Club don't just pick from a brochure.

A volunteer cameraman is still required to video games. Better if not a football fan as more attention will be paid to filming!

John spoke finally on team and management matters.

7. YOUTH SECTION REPORT

Dale resigned for the Trust last night. The Youth Section has no active members. Continued youth support and involvement is crucial, and therefore will become a future agenda item.

8. WORKING GROUP REPORTS

COMMUNICATIONS: Next newsletter will be in June.

EVENTS: Spring Disco – Saturday 21st April in the B & G, £6. Dave suggested we revisit the events schedule from last year and people offer to organise or repeat events.

STRATEGY: David Cook is still working on a communications protocol and will circulate a draft.

9. RESERVES

Michael updated the board on the reserves and under 19's.

There is a feeling that the quality is not there with the Reserves at the moment.

There is much inconsistency and change with the Under 19's.

10. SD SCOTTISH COUNCIL

Elections are once again being held for seats on the Council, after some discussion it was agreed BRFC Trust would vote for Mike and Grieg. Colin has attended meetings at Hollyrood, the offensive behaviour act being one topic.

11.A.O.B.

- 1) Iron Bru cans are being collected for the club to obtain kit etc.
- 2) SD Scottish Council now has a seat on SFA.
- 3) Board had a short discussion on summer football.

12.DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Saturday 31st March 2012