Berwick Rangers Supporters' Trust Meeting Minutes

19.00 Tuesday 26th April 2022 by Zoom

Minutes

- 1. In Attendance, Ron Kirk, Graeme Tait, Jeffrey Roy, Gordon Dickson, David Letham, and Andrew Allan
- 3. Minutes of EGM Nothing Outstanding
- 4. Membership Secretary's report by Joe Crawford stated that there was 165 members in total, 2 corporate and 14 junior members
- 5. Treasurer's Report was read by Andrew Allan. Currently there £5,300 in the Bank Account. £127 was to be paid as part of the join venture with the Supporters' Club for funding the Player of the Year trophies. Ron Kirk was thanked for representing The Trust at the Player of the Year Awards. The trust received an invoice of £90 for web hosting from Paul Smith. It should be noted Paul Smith has discounted £30 on the total cost which is normally £120.

6. Club Report;

2 new signings, not fully confirmed at this point.

5 players released, not fully confirmed at this point.

Craig Forsyth has been in negotiating with Kappa and BeUniforms about new kit. The new kit should have a retro feel.

Guest Clubs – Lowland League AGM still to come up. Understanding from around the club is the Guest clubs going forward must play by the rules and field the strongest team possible and not pick and choose their strongest X1 based on UEFA Youth Cup games and Scotland Youth Internationals.

Shielfield repairs coming along well after storm damage in November 2022. Repairs mostly completely. Also talk of new dugouts being installed.

New insurance company are very good to work with. £3,000 saving on old policy. Old Policy was coupled with the lease with Northumbria Council.

Pre-Season friendlies still to be confirmed.

7. Investment Policy

Possibility of Raising further funds as we are out of coronavirus restrictions. Supporters' Club have a Euro's score predictor. Would it be worthwhile getting into a joint venture with the Supporters' Club regarding this?

Our late friend David Spence and Ian Bereford organised Music Events in the past. As Ian had contacts with these bands, Gordon Dickson might be worthwhile getting in touch Ian Beresford. It was agreed that the best venue would be the Black and Gold as events where held here before.

In order to increase board number, would it be worthwhile asking Glyn Farrer to join the Trust Board? He is a regular at Home and Away fixtures.

In order to increase Membership sales, might be worthwhile offering half price membership if somebody buys a magazine.

Quality of the magazine printed improved in winter 2022 edition. David Letham stated this change only cost 1p more per sheet.

9. **A.O.B**:-

It was suggested it might be worthwhile asking Linda Buchannan, who is based in Berwick to join the board.

Graeme Tait stated that he was running the Great North Run in September in his Berwick Rangers shirt.

10. Next Meeting

As a result of other commitments for other board meetings, it was agreed that Tuesday 14th June at 7pm would be the next meeting date.

The meeting closed at 19:55.