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MINUTES

Meeting of the Society Board

Date: 24/02/10 Time: 19:00

Place The Pilot Inn

PRESENT

John Bell, David Spence, Bill Purvis, Colin Pike, Gordon Dickson, Karen Thorburn, Steven Scott, Keith Hall, Derek Purvis, Eric Deighton, Ron Kirk, Callie Denholm and Gemma Law.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from David Cook.

1. APOINTMENTS OF OFFICE BEARERS

<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>; Colin Pike, proposed by Gordon Dickson, seconded by Bill Purvis.

<u>VICE-CHAIR</u>, David Cook, proposed by Colin Pike, seconded by Eric Deighton.

<u>TREASURER</u> Gordon Dickson, proposed by Colin Pike, seconded by Dave Spence.

<u>MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY</u>, Bill Purvis, proposed by Steven Scott, seconded by Eric Deighton.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOCIETY BOARD HELD ON 24/02/10, DECISION:

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Society Board held on 24/02/10, proposed by John Bell, seconded by Eric Deighton.

3. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES REPORT

Stands at 216.

4. TREASURERS REPORT

£3,093.45. The shop account has £3,700. The £500 extra donation to the club because of bad weather was not mentioned on the website.

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5. EVENTS

Everyone was asked to bring some thoughts back to the next meeting. Callie and Gemma brought a proposition from Anne Crease, who would like to organise a ladies night. Karen will take on board the raffle, and will obtain quotes for tickets.

SUPPORTERS CLUB. Are holding a quiz night on 18th March and are hoping to hold a race night on 9th April.

FOOTBALL CLUB. Are holding an event in the Headland on 27th November details to follow. There will also be an end of season event on April 24th with speakers. £35 per ticket.

6. FINANCIAL PLANNING

This will be undertaken in April/May so that we can work alongside the Clubs plans/budget. Information gathered from the questionnaire sent to members can also be considered. **ACTION**; April 24th meeting will be a financial planning meeting.

7. SURVEY

A three page survey is ready to go out to every member, and will now be returned to Eric's home address. Keith will see to printing. Bill has envelopes. A small group will stuff envelopes next Wednesday. Everyone including the Board members are encouraged to return them completed.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

The newsletter was well received.

It was agreed that the website is the most useful communication tool. Because of this it should be kept fresh at all times. Ian Beresford has offered to help out with the website and has experience.

9. DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS

Bill Parkin said openly at the AGM that we should all talk. Some members thought that some events should be 'joint'; Communication should take place anyway so that events and such do not clash. **ACTION** Colin will write to both chairs. I was suggested that the websites have a joint diary.

10. SUPPORTERS CLUB

Seat Sponsorship programme is to start again. SC has been looking into how it can get support from outwith Berwick.

11. CLUB UPDATE

The programme of work to fix the pitch drainage is to commence on 17th May. The possibility of creating an under 19's and reserves teams for the SFL are being discussed.

Alan Brazil is back with the team.

Hospitality packages are bringing in as much revenue as at the turnstiles. Irn Bru will be sponsoring the league again.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Gordon wishes to ensure a proper handover of the Club Shop to the Club. This will be a significant donation to the Club and its viability afterwards has to

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be ensured. It was pointed out that the shop is a public 'shop front' for the Club, and a positive image will have to be maintained.

9. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Saturday 20th March at 11am. Saturday 24th April at 11am. Wednesday 19th May at 7pm.