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MINUTES

Meeting of the Society Board

Date: 24/04/10
Time: 19:00
Place The Pilot Inn

PRESENT

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

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from David Cook and Steven Scott.

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOCIETY BOARD HELD ON 20/03/10, DECISION:

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Society Board held on 20/03/10, proposed by Eric Deighton, seconded by Bill Purvis.

2. MATTERS ARISING

The Black and Gold has been booked for an 80's night for 7th August. Colin has written to the Supporters Club and the Football Club and they have agreed to hold a meeting. **ACTION** An agenda will need to be agreed, which we will produce before the meeting is set.
A report outline webcosts and who billed to has been produced. It is clear that some work is still needed to streamline web commitments and costs.

3. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES REPORT

Stands at 220. A few members are in arrears.
More birthday cards are needed for junior members.

4. TREASURERS REPORT

Two bills have been paid recently: £50 TO Supporters Direct and £1,000 to the Club.
ACTION It was agreed to pay a further £1,700 to the Club to bring payments up to date.

5. SUPPORTERS CLUB

Held a race night on 7th April, which raised £750. It is hoped to plan more events soon.

6. FOOTBALL CLUB

More than 100 tickets have been sold for the end of season Dinner.

A finance meeting is being held on the 10th May.

John circulated a sheet listing the hospitality/advertising packages for the coming year.

Pitch work is set to start on 17th May.

The Club have received a grant from the SFA, to help with dressing room alterations, which will bring them up to standard for the licence. There are also changes being made to the office rooms in the Club.

A disabled toilet is being created near the turnstiles.

Squad – Brazil has had an offer but hasn't come back to the club with his decision.

There is a planned working day in conjunction with the Supporters Club to get help together on one day with tradesmen and volunteers tidying and painting the stadium.

Reserves/Youth set up. This will probably be based in Edinburgh, run by BRFC, with teams in the league.

7. SURVEY UPDATE

The survey had just over 34% return rate. 75% of responders gave their name. 49% were aged 50+, 9% were 31-40. 93% were male. 20% never attend a home match. The full results and analysis of the survey will be available at the next meeting. This should inform the Board how to plan financially and in forming working groups, and also which ways to communicate with members.

8. EVENTS

It is hoped to have a match at Shielfield where there will be a silent auction for places on the teams. Ex players are hoped to attend.

Christmas raffle tickets should be available at the next meeting.

The Black and Gold is booked for the 7th August for an 80's disco.

Supporters Direct Scottish Conference is on 29th May at Stirling University, it is hoped that some members could attend. More information from SD.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i) Ian Beresford and David Cook are still to meet to discuss website.
- ii) There are 11 definite volunteers for calendar models.
- iii) Player of the Year is Mark Peat.
- iv) Brian Parkin, Dale Jones and Calum Porteous are to meet with Gordon re: shop transfer. Trust would like to keep a small merchandising element.

10. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 19th May at 7pm.