

## Terras Trust Board Meeting Minutes

28<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Meeting Started 7.10 pm

Meeting Closed 9.30 pm

**Present:** John West (JW), Tony Baylis (TB), Matt Barton (MB), Steve Walkinshaw (SW), Nathan Wood (NW), Colin Huckle (CH).  
Also in attendance Adrian MacDonald (AM) Supporters Club.

1. **Apologies** for absence were received from Connor Kinsella (CK).
2. **Minutes of Meeting** held on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2009, having been circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.
3. **Matters arising:**
  - Membership survey carried out.
  - Corporate Logos added to Trust Communications.
  - Board members – Agreed to grant R. McGowan leave of absence until April 2010.
  - New members still being pursued.
  - CK to advise on revamped Web Site. MB and NW to receive training.
  - 8,000 additional shares purchased.
  - Letter of thanks sent.
  - Accounts not yet sent to Auditor due to time constraints.
  - Communication action points outstanding.
  - James Corbin invited to this meeting but declined.

### OUTSTANDING ACTION

<b>Audit</b>	<b>SW</b>
<b>Communications</b>	<b>CK</b>
<b>Training</b>	
<b>Use of email addresses</b>	
<b>Buy at Pay Pal</b>	
<b>Strategy</b>	

4. **WFC Update.** It was understood that the Club was about to notify the intention to enter Administration with a view to enter Administration in two weeks time. CK, SW and NW had met Kevin Rye (Supporters Direct) in Southampton yesterday and discussed the options.
  - Nobody can demand payment of debts.
  - Current Board still in control until Administrator appointed.
  - Ways Out:
    - i) New owner pays of debt.
    - ii) Administrator agrees a business plan with new owner and achieves a CVA to pay off a percentage of the debts over a period of time. A majority need to agree the proposals.
    - iii) Liquidation.

The Administrator is not paid in advance. Supporters Direct will give us help and advice. They would support the Trust taking over the Club but the Trust Board do not feel in a position to consider this at present. Taking into account the loss of virtually all income streams to the Club as well as land issues, all the Trust can do is to offer support and try to work with the Administrator in order to achieve an acceptable outcome for the future of football in Weymouth.

5. **Fund Raising Sub-Committee.** NW reported only 20 tickets sold for Curry and Chips Evening. Agreed to proceed. Better to take a loss of £100 than forfeit £350 cost of casino.  
Karaoke Competition arrangements going well.  
Quiz Night booked for 30<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at The Old Rooms.
6. **Membership.** TB announced that he was standing down from the Trust Board as he had become very disillusioned with Weymouth FC. He would continue to operate the Membership and Shares system until the next AGM unless somebody comes forward before then.  
Membership currently stands at 165.  
A vote of thanks was recorded to TB who had been involved with The Trust from its inception.
7. **Treasurer's Report:** SW reported current balance £2500.  
A new rota is required for the Golden Goal competition utilising the new volunteers who had come forward. MB agreed to produce a new rota.

**ACTION**

- **MB to produce new Golden Goal Rota.**

8. **Communications:** A combined press and membership release is required as soon as possible. NW has prepared a draft and will circulate by email. Agreed Board Members would comment and JW would sanction an agreed release.

**ACTION**

- **JW Issue an agreed Press and Membership Release.**

NW has received a media enquiry via Tom Davies of When Saturday comes requesting an interview with a Trust Member. CH agreed to contact Tom Davies.

**ACTION**

- **CH To contact Tom Davies.**

9. **Board Membership.** Nothing to report.
10. **Business Plan.** JW is revising the Plan, taking into account the actions as agreed at our meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2009. It was agreed that The Trust should endeavour to have at least 2 members on the Club Board of Directors.  
CH has reviewed the Trust Rules and Constitution and brought the following rules to the Board's attention:

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Rule 57	Board Membership should not drop below 6.
Rules 61 – 63	Qualifications to be a Board Member.
Rule 67	At least 4 elected members (or co-opted in lieu) to be in attendance for a quorum for a Board Meeting.
Rule 70	A Board Member can be considered to be in attendance by telephone, video or computer link.
Rule 86	Audit Rules amended at 2009 AGM will need to be forwarded to FSA for approval once the Audited Accounts are completed.
Rule 113	The Registered Office is recorded as 38 The Finches. SW confirmed that he had informed The FSA that our registered address is now JCK Training, PO Box 5381, DT4 9ZX
Rule 121	The registered name of the Society is to be displayed on the outside of the registered office.

**11. Any other Business.**

AM advised that the Supporter's Club is organising the following events:

20 <sup>th</sup> . November 09	An Evening with Merve.
12 <sup>th</sup> . December 09	Christmas Party Venue to be decided.

AM is now the Supporter's Club Secretary. It was agreed that we should endeavour to work closer together and that representatives should visit each other on alternate meetings. MB agreed to attend the Supporters Club Committee Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

**ACTION**

**MB to attend Supporters Club Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> November 09**

Email received from Caroline Kinsella in respect of the use of the Trust's season tickets obtained through the Saviour 100 Club. She proposes that they could be used beneficially in the rehabilitation of patients with mental health problems. The Board welcomed this suggestion and would be prepared to implement this if Caroline can coordinate.

**ACTION**

**CH to reply to Caroline Kinsella.**

**12. Date and Venue of Next Meeting.**

The next Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2009, at 7pm at the Weatherby Arms.