

Dundee FC Supporters' Society Limited

Moving Forward Together



Minutes of the Meeting of Dundee FC Supporters' Society Ltd, held at LRJH Offices on Monday 27th January 2014, commencing at 7.00pm

Present: Ross Day (RD), Graham Pert (GP), Carol Findlay (CF), Bob Hynd (BH), Dave Forbes (DF), Ian Baird (IB), Colin Reid (CR) – Conference call

Apologies: Mike Jeffries (MJ), Peter Campbell (PC), Chris Wallace (CW)

RD opened the meeting at 7.05pm

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

Recap of last meeting and minutes from 13/01/2014.

2. Action points arising from previous meetings

- a) Society Secretary's Correspondence folder - Carried forward
- b) Document of timetable/procedures of AGM - Carried forward

3. Financial

- John Knight (JK) started handover, Mark Tolmie (MT) to complete December accounts then JK will check over and supply CF with a progress report.
- CF to e-mail MT.
- Last budget based on rough numbers and the worth of a adjusting the budget for the next few months was questioned. It was felt that it would be unrealistic. A budget meeting was suggested to put in place a 6month plan once this financial year is finished (May 2014) with a review 6months later.
- RD stated live streaming/new website costs would be approx. £4000 and 2 mail shots (required legally) to inform members of switching to an annual subscription will cost approx. £4000.
- 2 clubs paid DSA membership directly to DFCSS, Manchester Dark Blues and Capital Dark Blues.
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4. Fans Representative/Club Board update

- The club requested a donation to contribute towards the players' budget to allow for the purchase of another player. The Society board asked the Society Representative on the Club board for further information.
- Manhattan Works project – planning permission passed 27/01/2014
- BBC coverage – The BBC journalist has been given the opportunity to apologise but hasn't yet done so, likewise the club board shows no sign of backing down. It is felt that the club should be encouraged to bury the hatchet for the fans.

5. Communications update

- Website is good to go with Saturday's game streamed live. Individual match to cost £10, season ticket £180. Sticking with Ustream as working as required.
- Live Commentary won't go live straight away as hardware needs to be tested. Suggestion made to get an ex player involved with the commentary however it is not yet set up for two commentators. Live commentary will be charged at £2 per match.

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- Advertisement to take place at Dens, suggested advertisement board/giant DFCTV on pitch, IB to help RD.

6. Membership Update

- Once database is up to date it will be easier to manage with an annual review.
- Payment system will be added to the website.

7. DSA

- Next meeting to take place this Saturday, 01/02/2013 11am.
- Valentines Dinner – Agreed to support this event by purchasing a table of 10, Society Directors wishing to attend can purchase tickets for this table with any spare seats being offered to Society members or used as prizes to boost social media participation by members.

8. DFC Heritage Proposal

- SFM Heritage Museum Group meeting – a club appointed historian attending (possible Norrie Price?)
- Wrap It – access to unneeded furniture/stationary FOC.
- Opportunity to harness history and memorabilia.

9. Timebank Proposal

- Carried forward

10. AOCB

- All DFCSS directors not to go public with any personal feelings.
- Suggested that questions be collected at DSA meeting on Saturday to be asked at next club board meeting by CR.
- Supporters Direct - £100 membership. Discussion on what information we get from them.
- Subscription to supporters direct – issue of best practice model rules – RD to forward to IB.