



Dundee FC Supporters' Society Limited

Moving Forward Together

Minutes of the DFCSS Board Meeting held at: LJRH Architects office, 18 South Tay Street on 16th March 2017, commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting Chair: Dave Forbes (DF)

Minute Secretary: Ian Baird (IB)

Attendees: Brian Lawrence (BL) Carol Findlay (CF), Bob Hynd (BH), Dave Forbes (DF), Ian Baird (IB)

Apologies: None

	AGENDA	ACTION
1.	Welcome and introduction: Dave Forbes was appointed Chair for the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance.	
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2.	Minutes of previous meeting: The Minutes of the meeting on the 22 nd February 2017 were proposed by CF and seconded by DF. At this point CF proposed that the 2013/14 DVDs be made available to download from the website. This proposal was agreed by everyone at the meeting. IB will speak to Calum Findlay about how best to do this.	IB
3.	Secretary's Report: Supporters Direct Incorporation Proposal: IB explained that SD Scotland has been operating as a branch of the wider UK Supporters Direct movement since its incorporation in 2003. There have been periodic discussions over recent years on whether incorporating SD Scotland as a separate locally accountable organisation would benefit SD Scotland and its members culminating recently in the SD Scotland Council and the executives of both SD Scotland and SD concluding that there was significant merit in doing so. Since the renewal of funding for SD Scotland in 2012, the organisation has taken on several new activities which have distinguished its work from that of SD south of the border, and SD Scotland are now working in additional areas beyond the 'core work' of governance and ownership. The wide range of separate activities in Scotland was considered and the benefits of incorporation acknowledged. The Board agreed that IB should provide positive feedback to SD Scotland.	IB



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<p>4.</p>	<p>Finance Report:</p> <p>2015/16 Accounts: With Walker Dunnett for auditing.</p> <p>Bank Balances:</p> <p>CF confirmed the bank balances at 31/12/2016.</p> <p>1. RBS: Amounts are due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walker Dunnett (Audit) • DFC • Supporters Direct <p>CF added that a further deduction from the balance will result from the agreed payment to InTouch for membership data and communication services.</p> <p>2. BoS:</p> <p>Action is ongoing to secure a transfer of the BoS balance into the RBS account.</p> <p>DFC Shareholding:</p> <p>CF advised that there is some uncertainty about the percent of DFC shares currently held by the Society and it was agreed that the matter should be investigated.</p> <p>2015/16 Accounts:</p> <p>With Walker Dunnett for auditing and will not be finalised in time for the AGM however the 2014/15 will be available.</p>	<p>CF</p> <p>CF</p> <p>CF</p> <p>CF/IB</p> <p>CF</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Supporter Rep's Report:</p> <p>BL confirmed that the £3,000 cheque to DFC had been handed over.</p> <p>BL informed the meeting that he attended the recent DFC Board Meeting. The main purpose of the meeting was to sign-off the Report and Accounts for 2015/16.</p> <p>BL also informed the meeting that he had received a number of approaches from the media seeking comments on the new stadium proposal and confirmed that he had not replied to any of them.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>DFC Board Representative's Report:</p> <p>Nil report.</p>	<p>BH</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Planning for the AGM:</p> <p>BL and IB updated the meeting on the plans and it was agreed that everything was progressing well.</p>	<p>IB/BL</p>



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<p>8.</p>	<p>Future Society Activities:</p> <p>The proposed Walking Football initiative for over 55's was discussed in the context of DFC's desire to do something similar. It was generally agreed that the more walking football groups in Dundee the better for the community so long as the groups are complimentary and don't compete for the same people. It was agreed that further information about the Club's plans should be sought. A maximum budget was agreed based on a 10 week pay-as-you-go program of two hour sessions for Society Members. It was decided that an initial "taster session" should be organised and the long term viability of the initiative would be appraised following this initial session. Detailed proposals are required for final Board approval which IB and DF agreed to develop.</p> <p>There was not enough time to fully discuss the Football Memories proposal and IB agreed to gather more information and report to the next Board Meeting</p>	<p>IB/DF</p> <p>IB</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>Discussion about possible meeting with Jack Robertson:</p> <p>There are no immediate plans for a meeting with Jack Robertson and BH agreed to keep the Board informed of any changes to that situation.</p>	<p>BH</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>AOB:</p> <p>None</p>	
<p>13</p>	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>TBC</p>	<p>All</p>