



Dundee FC Supporters' Society Limited

Moving Forward Together

Minutes of the DFCSS Board Meeting held via video and telephone link
On - 24th July 2020 commencing at 8.00pm.

Meeting Chair: Ian Baird (IB)

Minute Secretary: Ian Baird (IB)

Attendees: Carol Findlay (CIF), Dave Forbes (DF) Calum Findlay (CF), Norrie Price (NP) and Ian Baird (IB)

Apologies: None

ITEM	AGENDA	ACTION
	<p>Introduction:</p> <p>IB was appointed to chair the meeting and thanked Calum for setting up the video and telephone link.</p>	
1.	<p>Review of Membership Consultation responses:</p> <p>A detailed Membership Consultation Report including a full analysis of the outcomes was forwarded to the directors on the 22nd July 2020</p> <p>Background: The consultation was carried out between 18 July and 21 July 2020.</p> <p>The purpose of the consultation was to inform the Society directors' decision making on the use of the organisation's financial reserves following a request from the Club for a "significant amount of money currently in the Society reserves".</p> <p>The current circumstances are that the reserves are classed as "unrestricted" and as a consequence there's a wide range of possible uses to which they can be put within the scope of 'Objects' and 'Powers' in the Society Rules. In addition, the Society Rules don't encourage a 'no strings attached' donation as requested by the Club.</p> <p>The directors had agreed that the proper thing to do would be to consult with the Members' on their preferred uses of the reserves before taking a potentially major decision.</p> <p>Conclusion: The majority of the Members who responded are happy to release a significant amount from the current reserves. The proposed level to be released was calculated to be an average of 50%.</p> <p>Respondents indicated varying levels of support for all six options with an interest free loan being the most preferred. There were a number of qualifications attached to some of the option choices in the responses and there were some strong opinions expressed by the 'No' respondents.</p>	
2.	<p>Agree next steps following Membership Consultation:</p> <p>It was agreed that IB would complete the report to be sent to the Members and forward a proposal to John Nelms advising him on the following key points :</p> <p>The Members were asked which of six permissible donation categories they supported. All six received varying levels of support and the Society Board would welcome the Club's comments on the headings and amounts below:</p>	



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	<p>1.1 Share purchase - £3230 (19%) 1.2 Interest free loan - £6,460 (38%) 1.3 DFC in the Community Trust - £1,870 (11%) 1.4 DFC Historical Trust - £1020 (6%) 1.5 Season tickets for schools and community groups - £3,230 (19%) 1.6 Stadium improvements to benefit supporters - £1,190 (7%)</p> <p>The Report should be attached to the letter/email to the Club for information and it was agreed that the Board should also advise the Club on its intention to forward the Report, ideally with the Club's response, to the Members within seven days of the letter/email to the Club.</p>	IB
11.	<p>AOB:</p> <p>IB confirmed to NP that there's been positive contact between Daniel Smith and Jim Mitchell relating to Heritage matters and the benefits of avoiding unnecessary and potentially costly duplication.</p>	
12.	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>No date has been agreed</p>	