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MEETING NOTES

Board Meeting 2015-04

20th April 2015, 6:30pm

Attendees

Elected Board Members

M Gretton (Chairman)	✓	R Kerr	✓
M Scott (Secretary)	×	A Mills	✓
A Hemingway (Treasurer)	✓	R Skelton	×
G Bielby	✓	C Smith	✓
C Cooper	✓	Co-opted Board member	
R Harmer	✓	F Beill	×

I. Apologies

Received from M Scott, R Skelton and F Beill.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting (23rd March 2015) were accepted as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

The Living Wage - A Mills felt a follow up to was required. It was decided to refresh on the website to keep it in focus.

Hon President position – Looking to meet up with R Harmer, M Gretton and R Kerr proposed on 2/5/2015.

I D Cards – M Scott updated there was no update from N Johnson but in view of volume it was not a priority. Clarification on what exactly was required eg photo ID and or Business cards was discussed and held over to next meeting.

4. Consideration and approval of "Standing Orders for Society Board Meetings"

M Gretton explained the details and this document was approved.

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Hull City Supporters' Trust, 37a North Bar Within, Beverley, HU17 8DB.

Elected Trust Board Members (10): G Bielby, C Cooper, M Gretton (Chair), R Harmer, A Hemingway (Treasurer), R Kerr, A Mills, M Scott (Secretary), R Skelton, C Smith.

Co-opted Trust Board Member (1): F Beill

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5. Consideration and approval of "Standing Orders for General Meetings"

M Gretton explained the details and this document was approved.

6. Consideration and approval of "Board Membership and Conduct Policy"

A Hemingway advised that all Board members are now required to submit copies of Passport or Driving Licence and confirm address to enable bank account opening and enable AML checks.

M Gretton explained the details and this document was approved.

7. ASI Fund Update

No further update following Cathy Long's last e mail reply confirming she is seeking a meeting with the club.

It was agreed that apart from adding details to the ASI position to our FA Name change submission there was little more we can do at this point other than update members on the website.

8. Name Change

M Gretton updated the meeting confirming that the FA has requested a written submission by 5th May.

At present it appears no personal presentation is expected.

We know Supporters Direct have also been approached as have OSC

Little else has been confirmed officially.

Discussion on what should be submitted and by whom.

Also should we lobby FA members and local MPs eg Alan Johnson in view of his involvement recently over Airco etc.

It was agreed A Mills and M Gretton will work with the NTHT volunteer working group which currently includes I Berriman, A Beill, James Richardson and A Medcalf

Work has started on:

- > Documenting what's happened since April 2014 initial decision
- > Use of Social media
- > Ballot discussions, should we call on the Club to run a ballot when we announce our membership ballot by Mail Chimp?
- C Cooper suggested we list the unanswered question recently put to the club including ASI Monies, Disabled Fan pricing, Promised season pass refunds if the name changes, 2015/16 Season Pass cut-off date. Also to highlight the lack of a valid business case and deteriorating fan engagement
- > Pass Renewals R Kerr and C Cooper to draft an update for the website and to distribute to local press.
- > Discussions held over the question addressed to the FA over running a workshop with / at the FA over future Name change applications generally and the rules. Agreed this was not material to the current p[osition and may follow.

9. Board Member Update on 2015/16 HCST Action Plan

M Scott advised that S Broadbent is to update the website forum over the summer.

C Smith advised The Lair is booked for the HCST Member meeting on Saturday 9th May as are lunchtime start 12:30 – 2:30 since suggested noon until 2pm :-

- > Vinny Whitehead Music
- > Guests Robin Osterley (SD) David Goldblatt and Billy Whitehurst/Andy Payton



It was agreed Chris has done a great job and was thanked by all.

10. Anlaby Road Statue Campaign

C Smith updated on his actions and has a draft artists brief. He mentioned artists can be asked to provide funding as they can have greater access.

A Hemingway's contact Elaine Burke may be able to suggest/support funding ideas.

Possible fan funding via involvement, if we chose to build that in.

C Smith confirmed he has met on site with Simon Race HCC Parks and Open Spaces and also Keith Griffiths – HCC Strategic Planning. Chris will formally write to both on behalf of HCST. The key is apparently minimum maintenance with high visibility due to the closed nature of access to the site.

11. Board Updates

Chairman

> In addition to items cover M Gretton is to speak to HCC regarding KC Stadium and SMC ownership

Treasurer

- > Bank balances :-
- > CTWD £5,036.
- > Petty Cash £ 250.
- > Tigers Coop £7,000
- > Nat West Co-op £2,949
- > Donations still to be cashed to Electric Eels £2,000 and Teenage Cancer Trust £7,000

Membership

> Total members was 967 @ Sunday 19th April

Merchandise

- > 50 + Enamel Badges sold already
- > "Irrelevant "Tee Shirts also now being distributed on behalf of an initiative started on Amber Nectar forum

12. Any Other Business

C Cooper advised that a member will be raising funds for HCST on an away ground sponsored cycle . It was agreed he had our approval subject to conduct this generous fund raiser

C Smith updated that he has made contact with CPST to support a 30th anniversary of the Bradford Fire Disaster with bucket collection on Saturday 25th. It was agreed we would make a substantial donation from Trust Funds.

13. Dates of next Board meetings

- > Monday Ist June 2015
- > Monday 13th July 2015
- > Monday 7th September 2015