

# Berwick Rangers Supporters Trust

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## MINUTES

### Meeting of the Society Board

Date: 02/05/09

Time: 11:30

Place The Pilot Inn

#### **1. PRESENT**

John Bell (chair), Colin Pike, Derek Purvis, Paul Smith, Gordon Dickson, Ronald Kirk, David Spence, George Thompson, Karen Thorburn, David Cook, Eric Deighton, Bill Purvis.

#### **2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Ian Gregory and Steven Scott.

#### **3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOCIETY BOARD HELD**

**28/03/09, DECISION:** To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Society Board held on 28/03/09.

#### **4. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising not already covered on the agenda.

#### **5. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES REPORT**

Membership is currently 228.

#### **6. TREASURERS REPORT**

Current balance is £2,199.11. Liabilities are about £1,400

#### **7. BOOK – UPDATE**

David is getting ready to chase some sales from shops. Will give it 6 months before we drop price again. Match sponsors will now get a copy.

#### **8. EVENTS COORDINATORS REPORT**

David has done press release. Date for first leg – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May at the Pilot, Eric to be first quiz master. Questions for every leg to be ready before league starts and 4 board members to be on duty at every event.

## **9. COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA**

Club website is up and running, Colin and Paul are deciding who is doing what, but it does need an editor. Need a good contact within the Club to keep web team well informed. Calum Porteous is in charge of what goes on at Club info wise. David Cook will commit to providing match reports. Captain's corner could possibly be set up.

## **10. A.O.B.**

- i) Player of the Year trophy – DC brought the trophy but there was a spelling mistake on it! Board voted for Player of the Year, and Jamie Ewart was chosen.
- ii) Trust membership is holding up, but we may need to refresh and relaunch ourselves with a disciplined programme given our new role within the Club. There needs to be a meeting solely to discuss a plan for the next 12 months, as we want people to continue to feel that the Trust makes things happen and to continue to support us financially with this.
- iii) Discussions should be held in the close season regarding the Youth Initiative.
- iv) The SFA is holding development workshops in Duns and Eyemouth.
- v) THE Trust has been invited to send a speaker to address the Supporters Direct conference on the 6<sup>th</sup> June.
- vi) David Cook formally proposed that at the next meeting we should:
  - Set a budget for the next 12 months
  - Set a business programme
  - Discuss strategy for next 12 months.

## **13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Finance and Strategy meeting, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at the Pilot Inn 18:30.