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MINUTES

Meeting of the Society Board

Date: 08/11/08

Time: 11:30

Place The Pilot Inn

PRESENT

John Bell (Chair), David Spence, Ian Gregory, Bill Purvis, Paul Smith, Colin Pike, Gordon Dickson, Karen Thorburn, Steven Scott and Ronald Kirk.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cameron Waterhouse, Derek Purvis and David Cook.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOCIETY BOARD HELD ON 30/09/08, DECISION:

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Society Board held on 30/09/08, proposed by Bill Purvis, seconded by John Bell.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Paul was to update the style of the website, not the newsletter.
John Robertson still at Club as associate director.

4. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES REPORT

Stands at 207, since last AGM we have gained 16 new members and lost 18. It was thought it would be cost effective to produce our own birthday cards for jnr. members as we could also sell them in the shop. A local illustrator should be able to sketch something to make the card timeless.

5. TREASURERS REPORT

£8,338.67 in bank.

Board at Shielfield and programme advert now paid.
The shop sales are 'ticking along', finances healthy.

6. EVENTS

Spadge reported that it is proving hard to find an alternative night for a race night, and the idea would be put on hold until the New Year. He offered the use of the Pilot one night a month for a games night or quiz night, which proves popular.

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We still have the TV from Haggerston Castle, thought his could be used for a membership drive.

7. BOOKS

A written report was circulated by Dave Spence, the book is now £4.99.

8. COMMUNICATION/MEDIA

Paul has sent out a new style of e-newsletter with pictures. Content has included the AGM.

Gordon attended a football match while in Italy and picked up a flyer at the match which was A4 and had merchandise info, a fixture list, other club stuff and was in colour, there was a lot of useful information on for a one page flyer and it would be an idea to produce something similar.

9. DEVELOPMENTS AT THE CLUB

Colin and John accepted a short notice offer from the Supporters Club to a meeting where a consortium of individuals, the Supporters Club and the Trust decided to submit a formal offer to Robert Wilson to purchase his shareholding. The Supporters Club would be the one to make the bid, which would be submitted by Wednesday. Local media have been concerned at the lack of information coming from the Club.

10. AGM

A small group of Trust Board members met yesterday to get the AGM papers ready for distribution, and they have been posted.

A resolution will have to be passed to change the full financial examination to an audit.

James Proctor or Elaine Millar will attend from Supporters Direct.

Undecided as to who would speak connected to the Club.

Venue – The Pilot Inn, Saturday 5th December at 12 noon. There will be a light buffet.

Board to arrive at 11.30, display board to be brought.

The Chairman will say a few words about Brookes Mileson, who died earlier in the week.

9. A.O.B.

- a) Calendar. Karen to approach advertisers for the 2009 calendar. Gordon has pictures ready. The caption box would be filled by 'Hall of Fame' player info.
- b) Newsletter would be posted out just after Christmas.
- c) There is an online book of condolence which can be found at the Galloway Press/ News and Star site.

10. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 2nd December, 6.30pm at the Pilot Inn.