

## **Minutes of the December 2015 BCFCSA Meeting – 14/12/15**

**Present** – Les Pegler, Richard Williams, Matt Johnson, Kevin Owen, Geraint Parry, Einion Williams, Michael Edwards, Eifion Jones, Sid Bird, Dilwyn Jones, Neville Powell, Peter Davies, Peter Crew, Dick Rigby, Anora Rigby, Dan Jones, Yvonne Thomas, Linda Roberts, Ceri Roberts, Patrick Barry, Julian Davies, Alannah Davies, Connor Fowler, Tom Bradfield, Wil Bradfield

**Apologies** – Glynne Roberts, Jonathan Ervine, Neil Harold, Dafydd Hughes, Phil Rigby

### **1. Treasurer's Update**

As noted previously we have two accounts, the current account and the business reserve account. The current account funds everyday expenses and the business reserve account will fund our contribution to the development of Nantporth.

The current account contains **£920.65**

The business reserve account contains **£3,739.65**

### **2. Ish**

Mike has sent us a letter announcing that he would like to resign as the Vice Chairman of BCFCSA. It is with great reluctance that we have accepted his decision.

Mike would like to thank everyone that has helped him and BCFCSA over the years. In particular he would like to thank the following people; Matthew Shooman, Geraint Jones, Nigel Pickavance, Les Pegler and above all Mark Jones.

The BCFCSA would like to thank Mike for every ounce of effort that he has given towards the club and BCFCSA. The door will forever remain open.

### **3. Dilwyn's Update**

**Football Matters** – Everyone is obviously downbeat but we still have hopes of finishing in the top six.

**Neville P** – “The Holyhead match has affected the players a lot, they were really frustrated by the result. It was a shame that the Newtown match was called off as going by Thursday’s training the players would have played really well.

We are trying to re-build our squad so I suppose you could say that we are in a period of transition. The trouble is that money is tight and we are competing with clubs that have bigger budgets. However we are still well capable of finishing in the top six.”

Finance – We’re ok at the present but we still need to generate more revenue. We will need cash more urgently in a couple of months.

Nantporth –The trouble is that the board are basically four volunteers yet we’re running a mega-business, consequently we can only do so much. The whole ground needs managing to make it run more efficiently, therefore the club still need expertise. For example Brian Lucas needs help with gathering data.

#### Questions

**Meeting** – “We could look at the brewery deal.”

**Meeting** – “Good Idea.”

**Meeting** – “Would a new board be the solution?”

**Dilwyn J** – “I would willingly step aside if someone was willing to invest but they need to be the right sort of person and they need to have the club at heart.”

**Meeting** – “We heard talk of a consortium, is this true?”

**Dilwyn J** - “There was a consortium but they weren’t really willing to invest.”

**Meeting** – “Has there been any movement on the ground rent issue?”

**Dilwyn J** – “Things are in motion but it will take time to sort out.”

#### Ideas from the floor

- We need to encourage more students to come to matches or use Nantporth.
- We could open for Sunday lunches.
- We could hire out the kitchen.

- Beer Festival.
- We need a specialist to run the clubhouse

Three possible regular events were suggested; Sunday Afternoon Northern Soul events, Quiz, Sportsmen's Dinner.

**Patrick B** – "I'd be willing to sponsor the Sportsmen's Dinner"

**Les P** – "Thank You Paddy!"

In short the board is doing everything that's humanly possible but the effort is wearing them out. Therefore the club needs three things; expertise in certain areas, a cash injection and new board members.

**Les P** – "I'd like to thank Dilwyn and Nev for coming along and putting the position across so bluntly and clearly. If anyone has any bright ideas or good suggestions please come forward with them."

### **3. Peter Crew's update**

Match Sponsorship has gone well, every pre-split match has a sponsor. The sponsors seem pleased.

Pitchside advertisers are renewing.

The weather has prevented some of our ideas taking place, for example we scheduled to have a brass band play at the Newtown match.

We are looking at placing signs on the exterior of Nantporth.

### **4. Bricks**

The Friars plaque is ready to be displayed; it will probably be situated inside the ground.

We're still waiting for an opportunity to add the last order of bricks to the wall.

We will recommence taking orders after Christmas.

## **5. Merchandise**

We have ordered 2 different scarves: last season's scarf design and Cymru/Dinas Bangor scarves. The scarves of last season's design have arrived but we're still waiting for the Cymru/Dinas Bangor scarves.

Our stall in the Deiniol centre did reasonably ok.

We are now selling the matchworn shirts for £10 each.

BCFCSA bought the shirts for the Holyhead match so we will be selling them in the club shop in due course.

We need to check with Brian Lucas about Macron's online sales.

## **6. Player Sponsorship**

Home Kits – Apart from Adam Cummins' kit all home kits are sponsored

Away Kits – The only ones sponsored are; Connor Roberts, Christian Langos and Ryan Edwards.

We will be offering half season kit sponsorships for the remaining kits.

## **7. Deiniol Centre Stall Feedback**

We'd like to thank all of the volunteers that manned the stall over that weekend (27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> November). Friday - Yvonne and Mark, Saturday – Les, Rich, Matt and Dave.

The stall was worth running because we did reasonable business considering the weather. Obviously the stall wasn't as successful as the stalls that we manned in the more successful seasons.

## **8. Mid season Draw**

Over 1300 tickets have been distributed, so they will need to be returned ASAP.

The postponed matches have prevented collection, and further ticket distribution, so we propose that that we defer the draw until the Haverfordwest home match on 16/1/16. This will give us more time to collect, and distribute more, tickets.

**Meeting** – “Agreed”

Any prize donations will be generously received.

### **9. Bus to Aberystwyth**

We have 25 names so obviously we’d like a few more.

We’ll leave Nantporth at 9:30 and return at 5:30.

The club have requested that 10 players and officials be allowed to use the coach to travel to the match. At present there is enough room for them.

**Meeting** – Has the club considered allowing more fans to travel on the players’ coach to south Walian matches?

**Meeting** – “There could be something in this.”

### **10. AOB**

**Les P** – “We need to get the Events committee sorted. Is anyone willing to lead it?”

**Dilwyn** – “Some of the players’ parents are willing to organise speakers for sportsmen’s dinners.”

**Kevin O** – “We need to start organising something for the BCFC exhibition in the Bangor Museum. It begins on 6<sup>th</sup> February so we need to get things going and publicise it. We could start recording vox pops at tomorrow night’s match.”

“We also need to sort out the Easy fundraising account.”

**Date of Next Meeting** – 11/1/16