

Minutes of the August 2016 BCFCSA Meeting – 1/8/16

Present – Les Pegler, Richard Williams, Mark Jones, Mike Ishmael, Matt Johnson, Jonathan Ervine, Geraint Parry, Einion Williams, Mike Edwards, Eifion Jones, Gwynfor Jones, Glynne Roberts, Peter Davies, Anora Rigby, Linda Roberts, Ceri Roberts, Vera Owen, Peter Jones, John Gibson, Will Pritchard, Matthew Pritchard, Rob Lewis, Ian Roberts, Dylan Jones, Chris O'Neal

Apologies – Kevin Owen, Nick Redfern, Yvonne Thomas, Phil Rigby, Dick Rigby, Pat Jones, Norma Jones, Neil Harold

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 **£536.17**

The business reserve account contains **£3070.30**

2. Painting

Last week several BCFCSA members redecorated the club, corridor and toilets.

We'd like to thank the volunteers and Huws Gray for accommodating our needs.

Hopefully we will be able to attach a dado rail to the clubhouse walls.

Our next project will be painting the yellow lines on the stand steps, the terrace steps and the car park steps.

We will need volunteers to help us with this.

3. Membership

The badges have been ordered, hopefully they should be with us by the end of next week.

We'll need letters, membership cards and fixture cards.

We'll need a meeting to make the membership packs.

4. Jay Lees

Gwynfor J – "I'd like to introduce our new Commercial Director, Jay Lees."

Jay L - "Our new manager will be Andy Legg. He has charisma, media links and big ideas. He will work with the current structure so there will be no changes to the management team, U19s and University. The football side will be down to him, the board will not intervene. A sign of his determination is that he's already watched videos of all our pre-season matches. Hopefully Andy's contacts could lead to some big names playing us next year's pre-season."

Mike Ish - "Will there be a north Wales based assistant?"

Jay L - "He'll work with Mel, Cav and Neil Thomas in the academy."

Jon E - "Is Damian Allen still the assistant manager?"

Jay L - "Yes, Alan Lewer will be the director of football. Andy Legg will be here tomorrow. The training will be twice a week, hopefully the long term objective is to have one training session in Bangor and one down the coast. We can use our facilities as a selling point. For example a full back from Plymouth has already expressed an interest in joining us on the strength of the facilities we've got."

Geraint P - "Why have you chosen Bangor?"

Jay L - "We see this as a commercial opportunity. We see this as a five year project that will hopefully lead to European football and even the Champions League. The facilities will become part of the appeal that we can offer."

Mark J - "What do you want from the BCFCSA?"

Jay L - "Firstly we're keeping the BCFCSA in the loop, for example I've been in regular communication with Les over the last few weeks. Basically speaking I'd like you to keep doing what you've been doing. We didn't realise the kind of feeling that people here had for their club. I like the way you can get together and discuss problems as a group and then try and do something about them. When we saw the clubhouse after you'd painted it we were really impressed. You should carry on raising money for the club as every little helps.

The way I see it is that you'll be guiding us. I will try to attend as many of your meeting as possible. The way I work is to keep everyone in the loop. If anyone want to contact me they can send an email to commercial@bangorcity.co.uk. I wouldn't expect you to fund players or anything like that."

Meeting - "We've had trouble organising events in the past."

Jay L - "In the future we will be able to source speakers, our profile will help us to attract them. We should be able to sort out any catering issues as well."

Mark J - "Who will be doing the publicity for matches?"

Jay L - "Things will be the same as usual but we have a contact with a printer that deals with big clubs like Bolton."

Meeting - "What's happening with the club shop and tea hut?"

Jay L - "The portakabin will go and hopefully a permanent club shop will be built in a different location within the ground, this could be the tea hut. We have even have a portakabin for non-matchday sales. Hopefully we'll have an employee that will be able to serve people permanently.

We're looking at alternative catering arrangements, this could involve outside provider or a franchise. Nothing has been finalised as yet however."

Mike Ish - "Is the board finalised?"

Jay L - "At the moment it is but there could be additions depending on circumstances."

Les P - "Will there be a presence in the ground as that's been lacking in the past."

Jay L - "We've identified a position that needs to be filled."

Mike Ish - "Could we organise Nev's testimonial?"

Jay L - "I'd like to make things clearer about this. Nev wasn't sacked, there was difference of visions and the parting has been very amicable. We can't praise Nev enough for what he's done over the years. We could even create some kind of ambassadorial role for him."

Jon E - "Has the Colwyn Bay issue been resolved?"

Jay L- "Not yet, one of the player involved has already left, the other are in negotiations. This will be down to our new manager to sort out."

Ian R - "Will any pre-match entertainment be taking place?"

Jay L - "We will be looking at this, you can bring forward ideas for this."

Les P - "We can chat with Kevin about the pre-match entertainment, We can bring up the tannoy and other issues at a later date. We need CDs for Saturday."

Ian R - "Is there a possible date for a terrace?"

Jay L - "As soon as possible, at the latest by the start of next season, hopefully work will start before then."

Einion W - "How will you be using social media?"

Jay L - "We will be using social media extensively and you can help a lot with this."

Rob L - "What is your background?"

Jay L - "I have three businesses and all of them are in the financial sector. They're all going well at the moment, hence why I'm able to become involved more here."

Les P - "We'd like to thank Jay for coming here and speaking frankly and positively."

5. Merchandise

The club shop situation was covered by Jay.

We will have a stall in Bangor carnival so we need to get our stock ready for that.

We will still be offering the 10% kit discount on our carnival stall.

Our remaining stock will now be offered at discount prices.

Our old programmes will be sold to Gareth Owen.

We plan to stock retro shirts for Christmas.

We should be able to produce our own t-shirts in future.

6. Darts Team

Geraint and Dan have sorted a darts team.

We have joined the league in the second Division and we will have at least 6 home matches but there could be 15 possible home matches. We need a board, an oche and a marking board. Zoe has given us the Ok.

The first match will take place on 5/9/16 and we will host a match every two weeks. We may even host competitions.

If anyone would like to become a member of our team play get in touch with us.

7. Bangor Carnival

This will take place on Saturday and we have a stall.

We will finish at 2:30 so we can make it to the ground for Sion's testimonial.

We need volunteers for the stall.

8. Sion's testimonial

The 2011 champions will take on the present side, Sion will play for both sides. Virtually all of the 2011 squad will be coming. The match will have a 4pm kick off.

There will be a charity raffle (For a Parkinsons charity) and a charity auction (featuring an autographed Welsh football). Syd's raffle will be added to the total. We will need raffle sellers in other parts of the ground.

We have organised a silver salver. Yvonne has organised flowers.

We need to drum up support for this.

9. Menai Seafood Festival – 20/8/16

We've been asked to provide volunteers to man two car parks. Obviously we need volunteers for this.

10. AOB

Eifion J – “We're recycling cooking oil at the moment so if anyone has any donations they be most welcome.”

John G – “Are the pre-home match buses still going to run?”

Meeting - "At the moment yes but we need to sort this properly."

Rob L - "Has the 200 club ended?"

Les P - "Yes"

Mike Ish - "Could we take it on?"

Les P - "We need to have a word with Brain about this."

Pete J - "What are the plans for the clubhouse?"

Jay L - "We need a new carpet. The TV's and lights need to be sorted. We will try to get a projector and put all merchandise in proper cabinets. We want to try and create the right impression with the clubhouse."

Meeting - "Would you like me to Power Wash the stand?"

Jay L - "Yes Please."

Date of Next Meeting – 12/9/16