

Minutes of the BCFCSA's 2017 AGM (10/7/17)

Present : - Les Pegler, Richard Williams, Geraint Parry, Dafydd Hughes, Daniel Jones, Eifion Jones, Ceri Roberts, John Gibson, Norma Jones, Pat Jones, Neil Harold, Dylan Fearnley, Einion Williams, Ianto Parry, Yvonne Williams, Sid Bird, Ifan Thomas, Mike Ishmael, Michael Edwards, Paul Templer, Andrew Dogan, Mark Jones, Kevin Owen.

Apologies - Matt Johnson, Glynne Roberts, Linda Roberts, Dick Rigby, Anora Rigby, Phil Rigby.

1. Acceptance of the 2016 AGM minutes

Les read out a summary of the minutes of the 2016 AGM and they were accepted by those present.

2. Acceptance of accounts

The accounts were scrutinised by the AGM and accepted.

3. Amendments to our constitution

The following proposed amendments were tabled:

A. Aims of the association, point 2.2 – amend to ‘appropriate club authorities’. Proposed by Yvonne Thomas, seconded by Michael Edwards.

B. Aims of the association, point 2.3- amend to ‘to liaise with and support Bangor city FC’. Proposed by Einion Williams, seconded by Mark Jones.

C. Subscriptions, point 4.1 – amend to ‘£10 per annum adults, concessions £5 per annum, children under 16 £2 per annum’. There will be added value to membership – regular monthly updates via email, subsidised transport to away games, explore, and liaise with the club re free admission to games, especially for children. Proposed by Daniel Jones, seconded by Norma Jones.

D. Add to the aims, so point 2.5 –‘to promote, maintain and value the history of Bangor City Football Club’. Proposed by Einion Williams, seconded by Geraint Parry.

E. Add to the aims, so point 2.6 –‘to encourage the directors, management and staff of Bangor City football club to appreciate, welcome and value the support and participation of all Bangor city fans, and to ensure that equal opportunities are promoted for all supporters’. Proposed by Dylan Fearnley, seconded by Ianto Parry.

F. Add to the aims, so point 2.7 – ‘the association will champion anti-racist, anti-homophobia, and anti-sexism causes and behaviour, and will adopt a fully inclusive policy’. Proposed by Neil Harold, seconded by Einion Williams.

G. Committee – amend points 6.1, and 6.2 to read – ‘the committee is formed of up to 10 members, who are the associations representatives, and are elected annually to make decisions as necessary on behalf of the association. Included in the 10 are the posts of chair, vice chair, secretary, treasurer, membership secretary and press officer, with the remaining being committee members without any formal title. The committee also has the right to co-opt any other association members as they see fit, over and above the existing 10 members, in order to enhance the working of the committee when necessary’. Proposed by Yvonne Thomas, seconded by Dafydd Hughes.

4. Election of officials

The following officers were elected, which leaves room for an additional committee member:

Chair : Einion Williams. Proposed by Dafydd Hughes and seconded by Richard Williams.

Vice chair : Jonathan Ervine. Proposed by Mike Ishmael, seconded by Daniel Jones.

Secretary and Press Officer : Matt Johnson. Proposed by Yvonne Thomas, seconded by Michael Edwards.

Treasurer : Yvonne Thomas. Proposed by Geraint Parry, seconded by Dafydd Hughes.

Membership secretary : Linda Roberts. Proposed by Michael Edwards, seconded by Ianto Parry.

Committee member : Dafydd Hughes. Proposed by Les Pegler, seconded by Geraint Parry.

Committee member : Mark Jones. Proposed by Dafydd Hughes, seconded by Yvonne Thomas.

Committee member : Paul Templer. Proposed by Mark Jones, seconded by Geraint Parry.

Committee member : Daniel Jones. Proposed by Richard Williams, seconded by Dylan Fearnley.

Michael Edwards was elected to the role of independent auditor, proposed by Mark Jones and seconded by Geraint Parry.

The AGM expressed its gratitude to Les Pegler, Richard Williams and Mike Ishmael for their invaluable contribution to BCFCSA.

The AGM was officially closed at 7.05pm.

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1. Treasurer's Report

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 **£3080.60**

The business reserve account contains **£6988.50**

The only money currently owed is the cut from sales of the new replica shirts that is due to the club.

Dafydd Hughes suggested that BCFCSA might wish to make a donation towards Ethan Ray's sponsored Three Peaks Challenge to raise money for the Bangor City women's team. There was discussion over the status of the women's team and why they were technically not a formal part of Bangor City Football Club but came under the umbrella of Bangor Community Sports. An overwhelming majority voted in favour of supporting the fundraiser.

Action point: It was decided that BCFCSA would contribute £500 to the fundraising efforts and that Jonathan Ervine would contact Ethan Ray about ways in which BCFCSA and the Bangor City Ladies team can work together over the coming season.

Action Point: Jonathan Ervine to invite Ethan Ray to the next BCFCSA meeting to talk about the Ladies' team and also the other aspects of Bangor City community activities that he is involved with.

2. Matters arising from the May Meeting

A. Redecorate club shop – can't happen, as club rents the Portakabin, however we need to proceed with memorabilia back on clubhouse walls.

B. Collection for Henry Ayabowei – we rounded up collection, and handed over a cheque for £300.

C. Ordering badges and cards – all done, thanks mark. Now need to do up packs.

- D. Duck race – happened, thanks to volunteers who turned up.
- E. Merchandise, retro scarves and wooly hats were to be ordered next month.
- F. Radio Bangor – new equipment purchased!
- G. Need to thank Pete Banham, for putting up bricks again.

3. Merchandise

45 replica home shirts were ordered, about 20 sold. Away shirts and children's kuts have been ordered. 30 blue and 20 black polo shirts were ordered and Les reported that sales have been brisk.

Daniel Jones asked if the club was going to make merchandise available online, and will follow this up with Paul Grindley.

Scarves are still available. Retro woolly hats will be ordered later on in the year, as will bucket hats (if we can find a supplier).

4. Membership Plan

We have now received the pin badges for 2017-18 and also the membership cards.

Kevin Owen explained that the Pitchero website that Bangor City use for the official club website has a membership option that involves people signing up to receive updates. A BCFCSA account could be set up within the Bangor City FC website so as to allow people to join BCFCSA and pay their subscription online. It would still be possible for people to join BCFCSA in person via the traditional stall near the club shop.

It was agreed that BCFCSA would take up the option of using the Bangor City FC club website in the manner described by Kevin, and also continue to allow members to join by paying at a BCFCSA desk near the club shop.

Action point: Mark Jones to meet with Linda Roberts to organise membership drive for the new season.

5. Bangor Carnival 15 July

Volunteers: Einion Williams, Geraint Parry, Dave Jones, Mark Jones, Richard Williams, Les Pegler.

Action point: : Richard Williams to find out where the BCFCSA stall will be and inform Einion Williams.

Action point: Jonathan Ervine to share information about the BCFCSA stall on social media.

6. Neville Powell Testimonial (5 August 2017)

The planned 'Evening with Nev' event on Friday 4 August 2017 will no longer take place, consequently the match between Bangor City and Everton under-23s will now be the prime focus.

It was agreed that BCFCSA will order a silver salver from Gwynedd Trophies to present to Neville Powell and also flowers for Neville's wife Marianne.

Kevin Owen has prepared a downloadable poster for the game, which will be made available soon.

Action point: Yvonne will order a plaque with the phrase 'Presented to Neville Powell from supporters of Bangor City Football Club in recognition of loyal services to Bangor City as a player and manager.' The plaque will be presented to Neville Powell on the day of the match by Einion Williams in his role as BCFCSA chairman.

Action point: : Linda to organise a BCFCSA membership drive around the game in her capacity as BCFCSA Membership Secretary.

Action point: Jonathan Ervine to contact Ar y Marc about doing an interview with someone from BCFCSA about the Neville Powell testimonial.

Action point: BCFCSA committee will consider contributing towards sponsored posts on social media to boost publicity for the game.

Action point: Einion Williams to liaise with Gwynfor Jones and/or other relevant club officials about what is planned for the matchday.

7. AOB

Dafydd Hughes asked if BCFCSA would be selling match-worn shirts from the previous season.

Action point: : Einion Williams to liaise with Gwynfor Jones.

Kevin Owen reported to the meeting that the Bangor City FC directors are keen to make clear that they have no connection to Southport FC. There was discussion of the tone of the statement, and how appropriate it was. A range of differing views were aired.

Richard Williams reported that the signatories on the BCFCSA cheque books will need to be changed.

Action point: : Les Pegler to organise.

Dylan Fearnley asked if there was any news to report on the People's Terrace.

Action point: : Einion Williams to contact Gwynfor Jones for update about the People's Terrace.

Dafydd Hughes said that it was not clear whether the club had agreed a reciprocal parking arrangement with Bangor University, and that there was a lack of clarity as to where the money from proposed parking charges would go and whether the club were entitled to charge.

Mike Ishmael asked what Dilwyn Jones's role was in relation to Bangor City FC. Dafydd Hughes replied that Dilwyn Jones, along with Brian Lucas, was among the CIC shareholders, and that Dilwyn Jones is also the chair and director of the CIC.

There was discussion of the fact that BCFCSA remain majority shareholders in Bangor City FC, and the level of communication that has taken place between Bangor City and BCFCSA over the last year.

The meeting was closed at 8:02pm.

Date of next meeting : Monday 7 August 2017.