
Shrimps Trust: Zoom Meeting Minutes

Location: Various- Zoom app

Date: Tuesday 23rd June 2020, 19.30

Attendees: Steve Doran (**SD**), Stuart Rae (**SR**), Ian Lyon (**IL**), Joanna Wilkinson (**JW**), Jack Steer (**JS**), Ron Freear (**RF**), Rob Wilkinson (**RW**)

Apologies: Paul Hodgson (**PH**) Sophie Fish (**SF**) & Nick Barrett (**NB**),

Meeting Minutes – Shrimps Trust Trustee Meeting via Zoom App

Meeting Opened 19:30

I. Previous meeting minutes

Meeting minutes approved for 13/05/20

Request for minutes to be shared on Whats app a couple of days before meeting

II. Pending Actions from last meeting

- a) **SD** sent email on 15/05 to Rod Taylor and Graham Howse. 16/5 GH replied with aware of the auction, in dialogue and statement to follow from MFC- article shared on website and social media.

SD sent email on 15/06 to Rob Ellis, as member of Community Sports and Trust rep. asking for updates post auction, where no bids appeared to have been made. RE replied aiming to update quarterly after their meetings, auction etc. closed to information and statement was to be released.

Auction did take place, no obvious bids, no further information from club or Community sports. **SD** queried whether we should send another email or leave and wait for statement... discussed and agreed to give time for a statement, due to Covid situation. **SR** proposed that Trust may be able to help with remedial works when required.

- b) All agreed the online quiz was a great success and many thanks to **SR** for his efforts and time. **SR** said he would like to have a whole run through next time, just in case of errors. All agreed content for centenary celebration was perfect. Quiz shield to be kept for next time.
- c) **SD** thanked **RF** for the pre-membership deadline email- good numbers signed up to direct debit and memberships
- d) **JS** has transferred monies from PayPal to the main bank account. Badges were paid by PayPal using current member's money and balance of £250 remains.

- e) **JS** confirmed he had donated £250 for NHS tickets on MFC Crowdfunder. All agreed social media posts very successful and original target was met.

III. Membership numbers and benefits Update

A & c & d) Memberships at 243 (15 new, 4 of which lapsed, 50 life, 151 direct debit, 30 PayPal and 12 other means. PayPal costs three times as much!

SR queried if GoCardless could be put on the website instead of PayPal... **JS** stated that Rob Ellis would need to be contacted

Discussed and agreed to hold shirt draw when available as competition now closed.

Non-renewals at 182

RF to send email warning lapsed members that contact details will be removed from list shortly- targeted email and social media posts by **SD/JS**

- b) **SD** sending out email to all businesses to ensure all happy and able to continue offering discounts.

Salt Ayre have replaced lapsed vouchers. **RF/SD** contact from new manager of Hurley Flyer regarding monthly draw prizes unsure whether 20% discount still applies.

- e) Badges- paid for and sending early July.

Cards- delivered

Car sticker- latest quote from SP signs £385+VAT so 92p each (badge at 96p). **JS** found quote at £245 so 50p per unit. All agreed want to keep local where we can.

SD to go back to Scott and discuss, hoping to get 75p or nearer.

Discussion regarding car stickers, agreed if not them something else needs to go in and ideal with centenary badge.

Booklet- Info required from companies to confirm discounts and then proceed.

Postage- Boardwalk agreed to sponsor postage but size of advert not clarified.

Thornton Road Spar also willing to sponsor for whole page at £100 (1/2 A5 £75)

- f) AGM to be held by November. All agreed to keep checking guidance.

- g) Membership meeting next week- date etc. tbc

IV. Trust Finance Update

JS sent information before the meeting.

- a) Annual report sent out by **JS**. Proof read by **JW & SD**. Comprehensive and great reading, thank you **JS**. **JS** next step to be audited by independent.

- b) Donations are **SR** shirt raffles, Expenditure mainly membership costs and licenses along with contributions to Mbulu memorial flowers.

Debtors are Northgate and Eden Music- not contacted due to Covid

- c) Fund balances are flag fund £1215, raise the roof £3987 and general reserves £9517

All agreed to hold funds as they are at the moment and ask the members their opinions when opportunities arise.

Additional discussion regarding memorial garden project of Rod Taylor. All agreed perfect timing to support the initiative in centenary year. Trust to approach Rod to find out further information.

V. Fundraising for Shrimps Trust and Christian Mbulu Memorial fund

SD thank you to **SR** for donating the items and taking time to fundraise, valuable funds raised.

SR Fleming shirt £100, Purple shirt £160

Football card approved by council and gambling licensor. Draw completed live on Facebook this evening and winner informed.

Funds split Trust and Mbulu fund

SR Rod Taylor been in touch regarding a further shirt- signed Jim Bentley from last match. Proposing larger card and split 25% Trust 75% MFC, with 150 squares at £10. All agreed to add prizes such as hospitality to increase number of prizes available.

Other opportunities once bar reopens discussed such as small football cards for particular fundraising.

VI. End of season awards and supporters player of the season

RT coming back to **SR** regarding awards. Club and Trust keen to honour players in some way, dependent on Covid and restrictions. Options discussed such as emailing Trust with proposals/ votes rather than social media poll.

VII. Meeting date and responsibilities

Membership meet next week via Zoom- details to send out **SR & RW**

VIII. AOB

SD email from Ben Atkinson regarding merchandise. Agreed to check for legitimacy and could send unused flag.

IL history website now live at shrimpstrusthistory.co.uk

Please read through, check links and report any issues. Big thank you to Lawrence Bland for his input. **SD** congratulated **IL** for his work and time- will be of huge interest to the fans.

RF passed on a proposal from a member regarding junior travel being discounted. All agreed not for discussion at the current time due to lack of proposed coaches and away matches due to Covid.

Meeting closed 9.45pm

Next meetings

Board none in diary

Trust tbc

Membership wc 29/6

Points for the meeting with board-

Discuss various issues with bookings made, changes made and bookings not made due to lack of communication

Feel as a group that taken for granted

Late license granted so can drum be used on Tuesday nights now?

Disabled facilities etc. - seats for attendants to be put in around the ground, radar keys to add to toilets, canopy for shelter, splash guard

Deadlines for meeting minutes to be agreed

Raise the roof... UK canopies

Memorial garden progress

Trust information into mail out of season ticket packs?

Reason for short year end