

Minutes of Chorley Supporters' Trust meeting October 3rd 2013

Apologies: Cath Still, Barbara, Ed Cookson

The actions from the previous meeting were reviewed.

The events calendar is now in place until Christmas:

The quiz night on September 19th raised £ 107

October 12: bucket collection for tannoy appeal at Rushall game

October 18: Casino night

October 22: Bucket collection at Witton game

October 31: Hallowe'en quiz night

November 15: Race night

November 21: Quiz night

December: Christmas party

Accompanied children will be allowed into the casino night for free.

There was some discussion of what the next project should be once the tannoy appeal is over. Paul Brennan suggested a leaf blower, Nigel D suggested disabled access to the Social Club. Grenville Hartley noted that plans for disabled access have already been drawn up, and that this could be put in at pretty low cost using volunteer labour. The idea of asking the supporters to choose the next project to undertake was also mooted.

Julian Vass confirmed that he had asked for additional help on matchdays with selling 50/50 tickets etc.

Paul Brennan (PB) gave an update from the Rules working group. He started by thanking Ed Cookson for playing a major role in the group, then summarised the changes which will be made to the model rules provided by Supporters Direct (SD).

– The legal name of CST will be Chorley Supporters' Society Limited. This is as recommended by SD as the legal name cannot contain the word "Trust" .

The financial year end will be on March 31 in tune with the tax year. This is relevant as the AGM must be held within 6 months of the year end.

The board will consist of between 5 and 10 members

PB: The legal establishment of the Trust is crucial.

The modifications were discussed and agreed upon.

Mark Rees: the role of secretary is an independent one whose main duty is to ensure that the trust operates legally. Ideally the secretary should not be an elected official.

Fraser Hilton: The role is similar in some respects to that of Company Secretary and is a very important position.

PB: Jacqui Forster of SD has suggested holding elections at the first AGM

PB proposed accepting the model rules and submitting them to the FCA

MR seconded the motion

MOTION CARRIED

ACTION: Rules Working Group: The rules are to be submitted.

ACTION: Rules Working Group: Update at the next meeting

Marc Davison: is it worth having a lawyer look over the rules? It was agreed that this was not necessary as they have been prepared with legal help in the first place.

Treasurer's report.

The cheque to be written to Mencap for funds raised from the sponsored walk to Euxton has not yet been accounted for.

Income: £ 1476

Subs: £ 80

Coach travel: £ 526

Sponsors for coach travel: £ 600

Golden Goal: £ 270

Expenditure: £ 760.30

Coach travel: £ 550 (so a loss of £ 24)

Golden Goal: £ 50 (so a profit of £ 220)

Stamps: £ 15.70

Casino Night: £ 100

Profit £ 760.30

Bank balance across all accounts is £ 7240.6, up from £ 6152.38 last month

Josh Vosper: Programme sales have made £ 208 profit thus far

Tannoy appeal: the prospect of moving some of the money into the tannoy appeal account was discussed at some length. There is some £ 1200 which has been donated mainly by Paul Morris in the Magpies Trust Squad Development fund.

ACTION: MR to ask Paul Morris what he wants to happen with that money.

FH: let us be sure to allow Paul to make his decision at leisure and under no pressure.

MOTION: All funds from the Magpies Trust's old account should be accounted for as part of the tannoy appeal.

Proposed by Sheila Brennan

MOTION CARRIED

There is no need to move money between accounts to achieve this.

The current balance of the tannoy appeal is £ 2769.53. It was agreed that the target should be met by the next meeting if possible. Adding the money from the Magpies Trust will make it easier to achieve this as the target will be smaller.

Graham Watkinson: the tannoy will be installed by the end of October and so the bill will be payable by the end of November.

Away travel report, provided by Cath Still

Profit after six games is £ 84, and sponsorship income is £ 600 with £ 800 more due and two more prospective sponsors.

Thanks to Graham Watkinson, Julian Vass and the stewards for their help with the Vauxhall Motors game.

The subsidised travel to Vauxhall Motors and Stamford is a very generous gesture by Chorley FC.

Congratulations are due to Cath on her excellent work on away travel

Matchday volunteers

Rushall 12th Oct, Witton 22 Oct

Mark Rees, Paul Brennan, Sheila Brennan, Dave Parry, Les will all be at the Rushall game by 1:30 to help out, and will also help at the Rushall game.

Fraser will help out at the Rushall game as well if he can.

The bucket collectors should not be bothering people near the turnstiles, it may be best to do it during the game and at half-time.

ACTION: Nigel D and John Derbyshire to buy the buckets and seal them, and bring them to the game.

ACTION: Josh Vosper to prepare a poster to put on the buckets

Player of the Month; Adam Mather

Any Other Business

Paul Brennan proposed a leaflet campaign to drive up attendances, targeting the new estates in the borough. This was agreed to be a good idea

ACTION: Josh Vosper to design and print a leaflet

ACTION: someone from the board to ask Chris Foley, who has done this in the past, if anything is happening this year.

MR: Dave Swanton is to speak at the next meeting.

ACTION: MR to arrange for him to speak at 8:30, after the meeting

ACTION: Josh Vosper to ask our new Physio to be the guest speaker at the December meeting

ACTION: Get more publicity for the meetings and speakers in order to encourage more people to attend.

ACTION: John Derbyshire to ask Dave Swanton to help with publicity for the tannoy appeal

Next meeting: Thursday 7th November at 8pm, with guest speaker Dave Swanton