



Yeovil Town Supporters Society Ltd (Glovers Trust)

## Minutes of meeting, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017

### The 94 Club, Yeovil

#### Present

Brendon Owen (BO)

Joe Fischer (JF)

Rod Jones (RJ)

Andy Richardson (AR)

Stuart Burrell (SB)

Adam Forster (AF)

Hugh Male (HM)

Dean Mountain (Minutes)

Simon Brimble (SBr)

Olly Jennings (OJ)

Catherine Reed (CR)

#### Apologies - n/a

#### Minutes of previous meeting and Matters arising

The Minutes for the meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were agreed as an accurate record.

SBr sent the Trust newsletter out to all members this week, and AR has the membership cards for the coming year.

BO has spoken to representatives of YTFC Ladies and has asked them to come back to us with suggestions of sponsorship opportunities.

#### Finance

SBr reported that the current balance of the Glovers Trust bank account is £5,403.80. SBr has spoken to Richard Williams, who has suggested closing off the accounts to 30/06/2017, to tie in with our membership year – this may need to be agreed with Companies House.

**ACTION:** BO to conduct a stock take as at 30/06/2017.

#### AGM Preparation

The following Board members volunteered to step down at the upcoming AGM: JF, AF, OJ, HM, CR. JF and OJ may be interested in co-opting back to the Board in future.

The suggested date for the AGM is Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October. Nomination packs for new Board members need to be available to members 8 weeks before the AGM (16<sup>th</sup> August), and received 6 weeks before (30<sup>th</sup> August). All votes must be received by post.

**ACTION:** BO to check the availability of the Labour Club on/around 11<sup>th</sup> October.

**ACTION:** AF to put together an AGM timetable and nomination pack, and to contact Supporters Direct to check if the dates can be flexible (particularly the closing date for nominations).

**ACTION:** OJ to check the availability of AWASA to administer the election.

### Membership renewals

OJ has created a new database for 2017/18, minus all member names except Board members. He also plans to track start dates of members to enable us to switch to rolling membership in the future, if required.

**ACTION:** BO to draft a cover letter to go with new membership cards.

**ACTION:** SB to e-mail Direct Debit members to check if any addresses have changed.

### Strategy for engagement with YTFC

BO, SB, AR and JF (tbc) have arranged to meet with David Mills and Rich Rendell on 29/06/2017. It was agreed that key areas to address include possible Trust involvement in the Supporters Alliance, and the communication and general organisation of the Alliance. The Board discussed the pros and cons of joining the Alliance (if the Trust could become involved without jeopardising its' independence), and how to continue to engage with YTFC if we remain outside of this group, including continuing direct meetings and open letters where necessary.

### Any Other Business

BO said that the previous suggestion of the Portsmouth FC Chairman meeting with John Fry to discuss football clubs' relationships with supporters trusts may be difficult now that they have been promoted, but will follow this up with Supporters Direct to see if it is still possible.

BO stated that merchandise will need to be distributed before games as he will no longer be regularly available. He has also moved all the merchandise to store at his own house.

RJ asked about a presence in the Arrow prior to friendly games.

**ACTION:** SBr to contact Jack to see if this is possible before the Bristol City friendly at home.

SBr is waiting for confirmation from the Arrow regarding a discounted food offer for Trust members prior to YTFC home games next season.

AR suggested we offer out of date Glovers Trust shirts to a charity working in Africa. The Board agreed this would be a suitable use as they can no longer be sold.

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 7:30pm, The 94 Club**