



Yeovil Town Supporters Society Ltd (Glovers Trust)
Minutes of meeting, 4th December 2019
The 94 Club, Yeovil

Present

Stuart Burrell (SB) Brendon Owen (BO) Terri Burt (TB) Simon Brimble (SBr)
Vernon Edmunds (VE) Dean Mountain (DM) Lesley Mowthorpe (LM – Minutes)

Apologies

None

Minutes of previous meeting and Matters arising

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 6th November 2019 were agreed as an accurate record.

SB spoke to Yeovil College to see if the communications role could be supported by media students. It was found that Public Liability Insurance will be required which could be an issue. Supporters Direct have provided details of a broker who can help and they have advised Trust that it could be obtained at a cost of approximately £200. It was agreed to wait for the formal quotation and make a decision at the next meeting.

SB said that a Christmas Greeting advertisement from Glovers Trust will be placed in the Yeovil Press at a cost of £35. The paper has been providing coverage of the Trust free of charge over the year and so it was felt that this was a worthwhile thing to do.

Attempts to meet with prospective Board members that could be co-opted to the Board continue to be challenging with no notable developments.

Scott Priestnall contacted SB where he expressed concern by which the manner of which the questions agreed at the November Trust meeting were posed through VE after the shareholders meeting and felt the timely and manner of approach was inappropriate. SB apologised if any ill-feeling had been caused as we were merely looking to make use of an engagement opportunity and a constructive conversation followed during which it was acknowledged that this group are able to provide ideas and try to engage directly and will look to do so more in the future.

SBr said that the Bakery were continuing to supply the Club with hot dog rolls. He has heard from Yeovil Ales that they are planning to pick up the conversation on the supply of drinks when the current contract expires at the end of the season.

Glovers Trust has offered to run a shop/stall to sell surplus stock for the club during the run up to Christmas. The offer has been well received for this but it looks like a location for this purpose will not be available until the New Year.

David Mills has offered a new match day home for Glovers Trust. SB and BO are going to take a look on Friday 6th December.

Finance

As of 18th November 2019, the balance was £8733.12.

Membership

No update, total membership number remains at 227. This is made up of 199 adults, 4 young adults and 24 youth members.

Funeral of Martin Baker

His funeral will be held in London. Unfortunately, there will be no one in attendance from the Trust Board. However, ex board member Jon Hartley will be attending the funeral and will be asked to be the Trusts representative by SB. It was also agreed to post on Trusts social media platform.

2020 Board Members

SB stressed that the Trust require more board members and there was a need to engage more with the Scott Priestnall to create more interest in the Trust and the football club in general otherwise the Trust will struggle to carry on.

It was suggested that an EGM be held to discuss the above. It was also suggested that we hold future monthly meetings at Huish Park after a home match. SB to contact David Mills.

Action: SB to speak to David Mills about holding future Trust meetings at Huish Park.

Supporters Alliance Meeting

Those that attended from Trust Board agreed that all matters were being funnelled through Scott Priestnall and not through the normal channels. It was noted that there were items that should have been on the agenda that were excluded and the Secretary left before the meeting ended. BO went through the main items of the meeting. With no date for the next meeting arranged but a more direct links readily available than under the previous ownership, it was agreed to monitor for now.

AOB

VE attended a YFC shareholder meeting on 22nd November 2019 and briefly went through what was discussed.

TB advised that empty premises in the Quedam were available free of charge for a short period of time and that she would contact David Mills about securing a unit to sell surplus club shop stock.

SB to ask David Mills that if/when the Huish Park pitch is to be relayed in summer 2020, if there is anything that the trust (or other groups) can do to help in terms of funding/other support.

VE stated that Radio Somerset offer sets of tickets from various organisations for prizes, where people phone in. He suggested that YTFC could offer some matchday tickets for prizes on Radio Somerset. SB to pass this on to David Mills.

BO suggested that as a mark of respect for Badger who recently passed away, the YTFC team could wear a kit of 'badger colours' next season. SB to suggest this to David Mills.

SB is keen to re-run Trust members survey based on the previous survey run in 2016 and this has the support of the Football Club. There are a few matters of clarification that need to be covered off in terms of content before a final draft is prepared which SB is looking to pick up through David Mills.

BO said that if future meetings are to be held at Huish Park, we should give thanks to Club 94 for the use of their meeting room free of charge over a number of years, we should thank them for their support and send them a Christmas greetings card.

Date of Next Meeting

Saturday 4th January 2020 at 5pm – Huish Park