**Exeter City AFC Supporters Society Ltd**

**Trust Board Meeting Minutes Part A**

**Meeting held in Boardroom and on Zoom**

**Date: Monday 10 Jun 2024**

**Trustees present:** Will Barrett, Julen Beer, Nick Edwards, Pete Ferlie, Clive Harrison, Richard Knight, Neil Le Milliere, Jamie Pelmear

On Zoom.

**Apologies:** Nick Hawker, Steven Chown, Debra Noble, Doug Gillard

**Officers Present:** Dean Matthews (Secretary), Pete Cordwell (Minutes Taker), Steve Chudley (Finance Officer)

On Zoom. Ryan Ilott (Membership Secretary),

**Apologies:** None

**Trust members present on Zoom** Steve Dart, George Martin

**Approval of minutes from May meeting**

Approval of Part B minutes for May proposed by WB, seconded by JBA .

The minutes were approved with two abstentions.

**Matters Arising**

Result of OTR purchase vote.

Votes cast 1,686

Yes1660

No 17

Abstentions 9

40% of membership which was the 2nd highest ever turnout

**Part B Summary**

Under Part B of the Trust Board meeting, the Trust Board:

 Discussed and approved the Budget for 2024/25

 Considered how the Women’s team budget could be integrated into the ECFC budget

 Were asked to consider the agreed Manager’s contract

 Looked at improvements to the Director of the Day package

**Deputy Chair’s Update. Nick Edwards**

Membership numbers 19 May

Corporate 46

In grace period 243

4,096 members

The Newsletter is not yet out

Cliff Hill Training Ground completed. OTR purchase waiting for a paper to be signed.

Trust strategy is still a work in progress

We are moving into a new ticketing system

The budget has been approved

**Election of Trust Appointed directors to Club Board**

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**Steve Chudley** (Paper included)

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Proposer NE, Seconder JP

Approved unanimously

**Clive Harrison** (Paper included)

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Proposer PF, Seconder NE

Approved unanimously

**Julen Beer** (Paper included)

Proposer WB, Seconder NE

Approved unanimously

All candidates were thanked for their prompt preparations and submission of papers

**Working Group Updates**

Trust Finance & Governance

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| **May 2024** |  |  |
| Opening balance |  | 361,471.52 |
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| Receipts |  |  |
|  | Subscriptions/donations | 16,095.97 |
|  | Transfer from deposit account | 200,455.89 |
|  | eBay | 14.64 |
|  | 1931 donation | 17,000.00 |
|  |  |  |
|  | Total | 233,566.50 |
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| Payments |  |  |
|  | CHTG | 104,056.40 |
|  | 1931 fund transfer | 17,000.00 |
|  | Payment to club | 8,333.00 |
|  | Junior Grecians subs transfer | 7,460.00 |
|  | City for All season tickets | 3,245.00 |
|  | Wages/Tax/Expenses | 2,304.00 |
|  | Party in the Park donation | 1,000.00 |
|  | Signs Express | 768.00 |
|  | Legal costs | 600.00 |
|  | Election Runner | 303.35 |
|  | Respect festival stall | 100.00 |
|  | Bank charges | 50.80 |
|  | City for All kiosk vouchers | 50.00 |
|  | Zoom | 31.18 |
|  | Fasthosts | 13.20 |
|  |  |  |
|  | Total | 145,314.93 |
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| PayPal |  | 327.77 |
| Deposit account |  | 413,920.86 |
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| Total |  | 863,971.72 |

This month’s meeting was taken up by budget discussions in their entirety

Large transfers had been made for OTR and Clifford Hill Training Ground

Ebay money is from an account managed by Mark Cordell

1931 donation has gone straight in and out.

Junior Grecians money will go out to them.

Some of City for All money is from donations

Signs Express amount is for Big Bank sign

SC is now discussing year end with auditor and accountant

**Owners & Membership Working Group**

**The minutes of this group’s meeting can be found on Trust website,** [**https://www.weownexetercityfc.co.uk**](https://www.weownexetercityfc.co.uk)**, then Trust Board, then Working Groups**

ECFC earned a bronze categorisation in the EFL Equality Code of Practice assessments. It is a pity our name was omitted from the EFL Roll of Honour

Deadline for submission of Club Charter to EFL is today.

Trust website now has a donation button

Improved access to Club Shop is in progress

Season ticket sales ahead of last year

Party in the Park 7th July

3rd shirt will be launched at Eastleigh pre season friendly

Fans’ Forum had answered a lot of questions about CHTG and OTR.

Next meeting of Grecian Groups will be in July.

EFL is introducing a mandatory Fan Engagement Plan programme across all Clubs.

largely to reinforce Club Charter and EFL Regulation 118 which the recent

government review had found a weakness as not completely adopted universally

**Communication and Engagement Working Group**

There has been no meeting.

Jed is designing new sign.

Trust logo has been adjusted for social media purposes.

**Community Working Group[**

The Respect festival went well. See SC’s email.

Charity event for 4th July has been cancelled

**Any Other Business**

NLM. Badge for Director of Day has been agreed. Oval shape. “I own my football club and the training ground”

100 to D of D and 250 for sale. Co manager of Eastleigh is the Badgeman so could be attending the pre-season friendly.

SD Some concerns about lack of response to VeryConnect. Response. Questions are better going to the enquiries email.

SD. Felt it was a mistake to open voting on OTR purchase before Fans’ forum.

NLM. It is normal practice to open voting before a meeting has been held

GM. Could we have a short overview of how the integration of the Women’s team will change things. Response. It is hoped to give an update at next Trust Board meeting

**Minutes update.**

The meeting agreed that it was a good idea to take the minutes of Working Groups out of the Trust Board minutes and move them to the Working Groups section of the Trust Board website

https://www.weownexetercityfc.co.uk/trust-board/working-groups

**Date of next Meeting: Monday 8 July**

**Future meetings**

12 August

9 September

14 October

11 November

9 December