

Ayr United Community Initiative

The Honest Men Trust



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Society Board Meeting No.11

Cariston Hotel, Miller Road, 7 June 2004.

12.01 Present

Callum Yorke
Alan Farmer
Alan Thomson

Neil Bone
Gordon Rodie
Donald McNeill

Fraser McCallum
John Dalton
Eddie Cattell

12.02 Apologies

Eddie Bulik

Stewart Boughen

12.03 Previous Minutes

Action

03.01 The minutes of the 5 April 2004 were agreed as a true record. Proposed by Alan Thompson and seconded by Neil Bone.

12.04 Matters Arising

04.01 There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

12.05 Secretary's Report:

05.01 In accordance with Rule 64 1/3 of Society Board must stand down: DMcN under Rule 65 stands down automatically, David Capperauld resigned, and SB wished to stand down. NB stated that in his opinion the THMT Secretary should be non-voting. Therefore there will be four vacant places on the Society Board.

05.02 NB tabled the Electoral Working Groups prepared: Election standards, Nomination Form and Cover Letter, each based on Supporters Direct examples. These were unanimously approved by the Society Board and would be issued to the membership on 12 June 2004, as the first stage of the election process. The date of the AGM was provisionally set for Sunday 8 August 2004, to be held in the AUFC Hospitality Suite.

05.03 An EWG proposal to have the annual membership run from 31 January was motioned. NB stated the reasons as being to allow a stable membership base for annual elections and end of financial year in June. This was agreed. It was also agreed that any new members from the date of the meeting would be for the year 2005.

12.06 Treasurer's Report:

06.01 AT confirmed that the Mindstore Invoices are being returned in numbers, although there is an expected shortfall.

06.02 VAT issues are currently being discussed with Mindstore. THMT are not VAT registered, Mindstore's invoice included for VAT.

06.03 AT confirmed that he had received a cheque from Supporters Direct to cover the cost of setting up THMT.

12.07 Membership Service's Report:

Action

07.01 JD stated that SB had intimated that he wished to step down from the Society Board with immediate effect. NB stated that as secretary he would be required to retrieve the 'live' database and continue to keep it up-to-date in order to comply with the FSA register.

07.02 Membership Update – NB confirmed that we now have 293 members in total.

12.08 Public Relations Report:

08.01 DMcN confirmed the 23 June 2004 as the opening date for the THMT/AUFC Exhibition at the Carnegie Library. DMcN also stated that he had acquired the services of Craig Brown ex-Scotland manager to open the event, the Provost will also be present.

08.02 DMcN asked that all available Members should be at the library on the nights of 21 and 22 of June to assist in the layout of the exhibition and showing of the contents.

08.03 During the Funday the Artist for the McLeod commission had suggested the proportions and the position for the Oil painting (The Hospitality Suite). All agreed that this was a fitting location. The McLeod family are to be shown the rushes for approval. Also it was agreed that a limited run of prints would be taken of the final painting.

12.09 Corporate Fundraising Report:

09.01 Since the resignation of DC THMT has operated without a Corporate Fundraiser.

12.10 General Fundraising Report:

10.01 FMcC confirmed that the Sportsman's' Dinner had raised roughly £1,000.

10.02 FMcC asked if anyone had a digital photograph of that Andy Walker penalty, as he had sourced a mouse mat manufacturer.

10.03 For the Summer Holidays FMcC suggested a retro T-Shirt, to be based on the 87-88 Championship design. This was agreed.

12.11 Project Engineer Report:

11.01 CY stated that the Funday had been enjoyable but tiring both mentally and physically. No final figures for the amounts raised were available, But CY thanked everyone who had helped during the day Mr. Harkness, Groundsman and Mr McIntyre AUFC Kitman, who carried out their unglamorous tasks as they have done during normal match days at Somerset for nearly 25 Years.

JD

12.12 Boardroom Report:

12.01 JD outlined the chain of events following the AUFC AGM during which AUFC acquired a new Chairman and two directors stood down. JD suggested that the streamlined board would now forge ahead with their duties

12.02 JD stated that this new Board would re-emphasise the 'football' aspect of AUFC, and the initial outcome of this could be seen from early close season signings.

- 12.03 Following seasons of perceived communication problems, AUFC have a PR company to deal with their media relations.
- 12.04 JD stated the AUFC Webpage should be live on 1 August 2004.
- 12.05 The Hospitality Boxes are to be named after ex-players.
- 12.06 JD confirmed that AUFC have signed up to the 10 Point Uefa anti-racism plans.
- 12.13 Any Other Business:**
- 13.01 DMcN confirmed that he had received a hard copy of the draft THMT Business Plan, and that he would request an electronic copy to forward for comment.
- 12.10 Date of Next Meeting**
- 10.01 5 July 2004, Cariston Hotel, Miller Road, Ayr