

Ayr United Community Initiative

The Honest Men Trust



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Society Board Meeting No2

SNP Offices, Dalblair Road, 22 September 2003

03.01 Present

Alan Roxburgh
Stewart Boughan
Fraser McCallum
Eddie Bulik

Tom Slider
Gordon Rodie
David Capperauld

Callum Yorke
John Dalton
Neil Bone

03.02 Apologies

Alan Thompson

Donald McNeill

03.03 Previous Minutes

03.01 The minutes of the 8 September were agreed as a true record.

03.04 Matters Arising

Action

03.03 We are still waiting the signing off of the ownership of the original content of thehonestmentrust.org webpage; Steps are being taken to advance the situation. TS has started a temporary webpage with yahoo, allowing members to raise matters

CY

03.05 The Ayr United Community Initiative Seal has been ordered, awaiting delivery.

NB

04.03 The format of the Away Day Mascot is to be discussed with Ayr United.

05.02 The Trust is to source Auditors to cover the THMT's first financial year.

AT/DMcN

05.04 Following some revisions suggested by Supporters Direct. The application should be made this week

NB

06.01 The Board met on 15 September to Prioritise Projects; a copy of which is attached after these minutes.

09.01 THMT now sponsor a player, that player being Dougie Ramsey.

03.05 Secretary's Report:

05.01 It was decided that minutes should not be posted on the web. The Secretary will issue minutes to members. In conjunction with this e-Mail NB is to draft a description of the process used to elect JD as the Trusts First Supporter Director.

NB

03.06	Treasurer's Report:	Action
06.01	Mr. Alan Thomson was not at the meeting.	NB
03.07	Membership Service's Report:	
07.01	SB tabled a draft Membership Letter. It was decided that the letter should be handed out at Saturday's home match against Brechin. Membership application to be included.	SB/TS
07.02	As part of fundraising it was suggested that THMT offered 20 members the option of Life Membership. This will be at a cost of £250. NB to include in letter to members 05.01	NB
03.08	Public Relations Report:	
	Mr. Donald McNeill was not at the meeting.	
03.09	Corporate Fundraising Report:	
09.01	DC stated that a longer-term overview of funding was required; a database of companies contacted and there responses.	
09.02	The possibility of THMT securing a Hospitality Box for each home game was discussed. We could then offer this to sponsors. It was agreed to put this proposal to the AUFC Board.	
03.10	General Fundraising Report:	
10.01	FMcC stated that a local nightclub approached him with an offer to assist. It was decided to print their name on the newsletter for the Brechin game and approach them at a later date.	
10.02	The proposed charity match between league winning Ayr United teams of the passed was discussed. FMcC confirmed that he was having difficulty recruiting members of the 96-97 team. The possibility of playing against a Dukla Pumpherston team was proposed, which could be tied to an after match event. FMcC and JD to investigate further.	FMcC/JD
10.03	JD tabled the front cover of the Programme for the Kerr & Smith Cup final. Advertising is being sought locally and articles are being prepared by various contacts.	DC/JD/FMcC
03.11	Project Engineer Report:	
11.01	Community Playing Fields: It was agreed that before we write to SAC on the matter of playing fields that THMT should have a Business Plan for this enterprise. JD agreed to draft this plan	JD
11.02	Player fund: It was agreed that if THMT raised an amount of cash for funding a player that AUFC must either match the amount financially or give THMT a %age of shares. THMT to raise with board of AUFC.	

- 11.03 Various Sub Committees are to be established in order to approach each project separately. This to be carried out following meeting with AUFC Board. **CY**
- 03.12 Boardroom Report:**
- 12.01 JD confirmed that he would report on AUFC Boardroom meeting on the first THMT Society Meeting following an AUFC Board meeting.
- 03.13 Trust Travel:**
- 13.01 The poor response to the Trust Travel busses to the Highlands was discussed. The poor response was put down to the teams form and the back-to-back nature of the fixtures. It was decided to run a North Ayr Community Bus to Perth.
- 03.14 Any Other Business:**
- 14.01 It was agreed to make a tentative approach to SAC regarding possible premises. **EB**
- 14.02 GR suggested that perhaps a portacabin at Somerset Park would be suitable. All agreed that location and likely costs would be favourable THMT to investigate further.
- 02.10 Date of Next Meeting**
- 10.01 6 October 2003, to be Confirmed.