

Minutes of the CFU Monthly Meeting held on 9th June 2009 at the Cambridge Joint Ex-Services Club, Cambridge.

Note: This meeting was to replace the meeting planned for 1st June.

1. Attendees and Apologies

Present: Dave Matthew-Jones (Chair), Will Jones, Joy Childs, Mark Stuart-Wood, Carol Looker, Robert Osbourn, Terry Wilby (minutes).

Apologies: Gary Atyes, Brian Attmore (FED), Carolyn Cater, Anton Thacker, Derek Wick, Martin Jordan, Colin Proctor.

Note: The meeting was not quorate.

Guests: Rob Negus, Brian Thorby.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting.

- a. The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.
- b. Until CUFC confirm that FITC are to move to charitable status CFU will not contribute to the set-up costs.

3. Membership:

- a. Current membership: 314
- b. Lapsed: 99
- c. Non members: 119.
- d. A letter is to be sent to those members who have lapsed during 2009. Those members who lapsed in 2008 would not be contacted further by mail at this time.
- e. CFU need to push membership:
 - a. New ideas are required,
 - b. Add value, loyalty card or other benefits.

4. Financial:

- a. Derek was unavailable, so financial information was not available.
- b. George had emailed Dave asking for £10k for the IT network in the CUFC offices. As the meeting was not quorate a vote would be conducted by email.
- c. In return CFU would ask for:
 - a. Shares,
 - b. Recognition, publicity in the media,
 - c. Season tickets for Smile,
 - d. CFU Community brochure to be sent out with Season Tickets,
 - e. Programme advert.

5. Fans Elected Director report:

- a. Brian was unavailable so there was no FED report.
- b. George had emailed Dave with the offer of 2 Associate Directors with 1 vote.
- c. This may not be allowable within the CUFC constitution.
- d. Directors Liability insurance may still be required.
- e. Confirmation of these matters will be required.

6. AOB

Dave:

- a. Martin Jordan had resigned from the Trust board leaving spaces available.
- b. Martin is willing to continue to administer the Smile scheme.
- c. Mark agreed to take over the email group.
- d. Rob Negus and Brian Thorby were willing to be co-opted to the Trust Board, and signed the CFU compliance form, Nick Parker was keen to join.
- e. Junior U's is to move to CUFC soon, George will need to approve the move. Dave and Jackie are unable to give it enough time.

- f. Jez will take over the organisation of the Youth Tournament, the £350 grant from CCC may have to be returned.
- g. A cheque for £1k has been passed to Jez, donations for the walk and DVD money.
- h. The club have not budgeted for any Setanta money for the new season, it is thought Setanta could go into administration in the near future.
- i. CFU need to raise money, ideas are welcome.
- j. Gordon had received a reply to his second letter concerning the problems at the Histon away game:
 - a. Some points are a Histon issue,
 - b. Histon have said they will refund any tickets,
 - c. Future games will be all-ticket.
 - d. CFU have a ticket and will attempt to get a refund.

Will:

- a. CUFC are to run a promotion under "Your City, Your Club", with car stickers, brochure, posters etc., surplus posters will be available from the CFU caravan. CFU may take space in the brochure, which is to be produced in partnership with Cambridge News. CUFC may also do the Fixture posters CFU had produced in the past.
- b. CUFC are investigating provision for more cycle parking. Other "green" options such as Park & Ride are being investigated.
- c. Sponsors Presentation Night took place on 8th June which went well, the new playing kit was presented. CFU received Greg's training top and play-off final tracksuit, which may be auctioned.
- d. CUFC may start a membership scheme, Dave commented this could impact CFU membership.
- e. Will had been interviewed by a company conducting a survey on behalf of Supporters Direct on how clubs interact with their local community
- f. Dave confirmed that he has no problems with Will, Gary and Brian remaining on the Trust Board, although there may be times when there is a conflict of interest. Will may require help from CFU at various times.

Robert:

- a. Beer Festival may take place in the Supporters Club, possibly a weekend in October when CUFC are at home. Profits may be used to buy shares. CFU may be asked to help.

Carol:

- a. Recent Race Night raised £398, some will be used for sponsorship.

Rob Negus:

- a. Asked if the Fans Bar was run by CFU:
 - a. It is run by CUFC/Funky Catering,
 - b. Robert is the temporary alcohol license holder until a new person is appointed.

Brian Thorby:

- a. Has almost run out of pre-printed letter heads and envelopes to post membership cards.
- b. Terry to contact Staples to arrange for more to be printed.

Terry:

- a. The free trial of ITWM is almost up, it was agreed that it was a system worth keeping.

Meeting closed at 9:50 pm

Next Monthly Meeting: 6th July 2009.

Other planned meetings: 3rd August, 7th September, 5th October, 2nd November, 7th December 2009.