

CF10 RUGBY TRUST

MINUTES OF FORTY NINTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD

VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE ON

THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2021 COMMENCING AT 7PM

PRESENT

Board Directors: Simon Baker; Andrew Bold; Sally Carter; Andrew Collins; Steve Coombs; Lynn Glaister (Chair); Huw Jones (Secretary); Simon Jones; Derek Redwood (Treasurer)

Observers: Andy Baker; David Francis; Martin Hughes; Viv Jones; Claire O'Shea; Sion Williams

Apologies: Dan Taylor

ITEM		ACTION
1	Chair's introductory remarks and apologies for absence In opening the meeting, LG said that September had seen the fulfilment of a number of CF10 aspirations and goals. The club had rebranded; the new kit included the traditional blue and black hoops; the club had announced at its General Meeting that a Supporter Advisor would be elected by supporters. These were significant achievements and they wouldn't have happened without a great deal of lobbying and persuasion by CF10 over the last 7 years.	
2	Minutes of the Board meeting held on Thursday 19 August 2021 AGEED.	
3	Matters Arising and Actions All matters arising were on the agenda.	
4	Cardiff Rugby 4.1 Supporter Advisor – Notes of a Meeting with Richard Holland 24 August 2021 (previously circulated) LG reported on the meeting with RH which was organised to discuss the Supporter Advisor proposal. RH accepted all the suggestions made by CF10 at the previous board meeting. Following this a further meeting was held with Mike Brown to discuss the practical implications of recruiting an elected Supporter Advisor. CF10 will play a 'voluntary contractor' role providing support to Cardiff Rugby. Initially, the role description and person specification needs to be finalised; a notification email drafted; an application form drawn up. The Board considered that the person appointed needs to show: commitment to Cardiff Rugby; a commitment to engage with supporters; was resilient and politically aware. Once the person was appointed a modus operandi would be required to support the person. 4.2 General Meeting 8 September 2021 (notes previously circulated)	HJ

	<p>Alun Jones formally announced that the Board of Cardiff Rugby had agreed that a Supporter Advisor should be recruited to the Board following an election by supporters.</p> <p>Martyn Ryan made a presentation on the Cardiff Blues Limited accounts 2019/20. These also included forecasts for the financial year 2020/21. As a result of significantly reduced turnover (due to reduced payment for services from WRU; reduced gate money; reduced commercial income), losses and liabilities were significant. Much would depend in 2021/22 on whether the WRU was successful in obtaining a loan from the Welsh Government at improved conditions compared to the NatWest loan. Otherwise, cuts would be required.</p>	
5	<p>CAC</p> <p>StC had prepared a paper for discussion and SJ noted that he needed to comment on the draft.</p> <p>A number of those present were proposing to attend the Rugby Section AGM on 27 September. It would be interesting to hear any progress on the proposed lease and redevelopment.</p>	SJ
6	<p>Working Groups (WG)</p> <p>6.1 CF10 Logo – AB</p> <p>AB showed some of the options which the group had discussed. The main change would be a move to blue/black colours to complement the club rebranding. New font was proposed which was welcomed and the role of the shield would be considered. AB agreed to reflect on comments and prepare revised proposals for the next meeting.</p> <p>6.2 Members and Supporters Experience – DR</p> <p>It was unlikely that further comments would be received so DR proposed to circulate the collated comments to the board for discussion at the next meeting.</p> <p>6.3 Ensuring Rebrand Used Effectively – StC</p> <p>The club had produced some excellent material to complement the rebranding. StC felt that there was no further work for the WG to undertake and they would now keep a watching brief.</p> <p>6.4 Influencing the Decision Makers – SJ</p> <p>Discussed above</p> <p>6.5 CRFC Heritage Committee – SaC</p> <p>The committee had held its first in-person meeting on 12 September since the pandemic started. They were looking to digitise programmes, further undertake oral histories etc. Discussions were taking place about re-vamping the museum. The committee had also been supplemented with the recruitment of a number of additional members.</p> <p>6.6 Welsh Language – SW/SB</p> <p>There was nothing to update.</p> <p>6.7 Communications: Newsletter – Co'S</p> <p>A number of contributions had been received and Co'S would chase others.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>DR</p> <p>CO'S</p>
7	Finance Report	

	<p>DR reported that available funds stood at £1505.42 (£1379.40 in the bank; £126.02 with Paypal).</p> <p>CF10's financial year finished 30 September and he would now prepare the annual accounts.</p>	DR
8	<p>Governance Action Plan September 2021</p> <p>An Open Meeting of members was due. The Board would look to undertake this sometime in November.</p>	LG
9	<p>Other Identified Business</p> <p>9.1 Youth Member</p> <p>LG said that she was keen on establishing a stronger youth presence. She proposed inviting George Baldwin to meetings with a view to forming a Young People's Working Group.</p> <p>9.2 Secretary Role</p> <p>HJ's term of office ends in March so CF10 needs to recruit a new Secretary. LG asked members to give some thought to this.</p> <p>9.3 CRFC Player Sponsorship</p> <p>A request had been received from CRFC for CF10 to continue its sponsorship of a player. This was agreed (£60).</p> <p>9.4 Llandaff RFC Under 13's</p> <p>LIRFC had written expressing concern that football was dominating input to primary schools and there was a perception of limited input from rugby. It was acknowledged that the resources of Cardiff Rugby Community Foundation were limited compared to Cardiff City FC and expectations needed to be different. However Nadine Griffiths would be invited to a future meeting to discuss CRFC's work.</p> <p>9.4 Women's Rugby</p> <p>Concern about the WRU's treatment of women's rugby had recently been made at the Joint Supporters Group meeting with the WRU, the minutes of which had just been published.</p> <p>There had been a negative debate on Twitter involving an anonymous alleged member. The board totally supported the principle of equality of opportunity.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>DR</p> <p>LG</p>
10	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>Thursday 21 October 2021 commencing at 7pm</p>	