

CF10 ARMS PARK RUGBY TRUST

MINUTES OF THIRTY-SIXTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE ON

THURSDAY 25 JUNE 2020 COMMENCING AT 7PM

PRESENT

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

ITEM		ACTION
1	<p>Chair's introductory remarks and apologies for absence</p> <p>The Chair had asked for a restricted agenda in order to focus discuss on the financial challenges faced by CBL and the recent announcement by the WRU of a potential loan for pro-rugby.</p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of the Board meeting held on Thursday 21 May 2020</p> <p>AGREED</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising and Actions</p> <p>Item 1 – DA said he wanted to return to the issue at the end of the meeting on whether future meetings should be Board members only or the wider working group with observers.</p> <p>Item 3 – Sion Williams had written to Cardiff Blues congratulating them on the recent use of the Welsh language. It was understood that CBs would be involved in the virtual Tafwyl festival.</p>	
4	<p>Cardiff Blues</p> <p>DA summarised the recent meeting with CBL, the notes of which had been distributed to all CF10 members following the club's agreement.</p> <p>There has been no further communication about the proposal for a Supporter Director. The Branding and Heritage paper submitted to them was still being considered.</p> <p>It was interesting that CBL had been very open at the last meeting, confirming that the company faced a loss in income of £4-6m and that they were technically insolvent but taking advantage of the Government's more relaxed insolvency definition.</p> <p>Little had been said at the meeting about the WRU bid to Welsh Government (WG) for funding the four Regions. However, the WRU had put out a positive statement the previous week about a potential loan. It was understood that this was primarily from WG for £20m (up to £5m each), the terms of which would be passed onto the Regions.</p>	

	<p>This meant that the regions would be bearing all the risk and would have significant repayments to make. These would basically wipe out any CVC funding over the period.</p> <p>It wasn't clear what alternative funding had been considered, including using the WRU's resources.</p> <p>It was felt that a meeting with AJ was needed to clarify the situation.</p> <p>This was a very sensitive matter and negotiations were at a delicate stage. It was agreed that where possible CF10 should act in concert with other supporter organisations.</p> <p>There had been no announcement from CBs about options for supporters with season ticket for 2019/20 or what was proposed for 2020/21.</p>	DA
5	<p>Finance Report</p> <p>DR reported that available funds stood at £1477.93 (£1380.29 in the bank and £97.64 with Paypal).</p>	
6	<p>Governance Action Plan June 2020</p> <p>The plan noted two areas of concern:</p> <p>Point 2.2 COVID19 implications for Welsh rugby.</p> <p>Point 6.1 CBL governance reform not including Supporter Director</p>	
7	<p>Other Identified Business</p> <p>7.1 Discussion took place on whether the next meeting should be Board members only or the wider working group. It was felt that given the challenges of virtual meetings it would be impractical at the moment to increase the numbers involved in Zoom meetings. The next meeting would be Board members only.</p> <p>7.2 Re-live Videos</p> <p>It was queried whether it was possible to obtain copies of re-live matches for the museum. This would depend on broadcasting rights</p>	SB
8	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>23 July 2020 commencing at 7pm</p>	