

Minutes of Board Meeting Monday 5th March 2024

Attendees:

Cliff Culley (CC)
Pete Davey (PD)
Paul Karter (PK)
Lisa Mole (LM)
Kevin Patterson (KP)
Adam Stoker (AS)
Olivia Thomson (OT)
Felicity Thow (FT)
Colin Whittle (CW) - Secretary

Item 1 - Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 18th February 2024 and the minutes from the AGM 28th February 2024 were accepted as a correct record.

Item 2 - Fan Advisory Board (FAB) update

PK and AS updated the Board on the introductory meeting of the FAB which had taken place on Monday 26th February 2024. It was explained to Board members that the formal minutes of the meeting were to be produced within 20 working days of the meeting and since FAB members were required to sign NDA's under the FAB Terms of Reference it would not be possible to update members on FAB discussions until the minutes were released. The requirement to sign NDAs were part of the Premier Leagues fan engagement standard and it was therefore a necessary requirement to sign NDAs in order to take up a position on the FAB. The formal minutes from the meeting have been uploaded to the club's website.

Item 3-Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

PK reported that the MOU proposed by NUST has been considered by NUFC internally and is still with the NUFC legal department for final review. A response is awaited.

Item 4-Finance

CC confirmed that the annual accounts and resolution to disapply the requirement for a full audit were approved unanimously by members at the AGM on Wednesday 28th February 2024. It was now a requirement to file the accounts with the FCA by the end of March 2024 and arrangements were in hand to submit the necessary return in accordance with those requirements. CC has now actioned and closed off this action. It was agreed that OT/KP and LM would also be signatories to the NUST account given that previous signatories no longer held Board positions..

Item 5-Annual Survey

It had been agreed at the monthly meeting in February that FT would lead on production of the annual survey. FT confirmed that the first draft of the survey had been completed and would be circulated to Board members for further comments/observations. It was agreed that the survey would be distributed to members early in April to allow returns before the end of the season, with the contents to be shared with NUST in order that they have supporter views in advance of shaping plans for next season.

Item 6-Chair position

Former chair Greg Tomlinson had announced his decision to leave the Board after six years from the date of the NUST AGM. Following a discussion amongst Board members it was agreed that PK would take up the role of Chair, and given the number of fan issues NUST are involved with at the moment, that LM and AS will take up roles as joint deputy Chair until the end of the season, with a review to take place at that point of time .

Item 7-Any Other Business

AS will attend a meeting with Premier League representatives, as part of the FSA contingent on 6th March 2024. With that in mind a quick member survey will be conducted to inform AS of members views.

Following the ballot workshop 20^{TH} February 2024, there is one further workshop planned to take place in March. A discussion took place about the outputs of the workshops following queries from members and it was agreed that this issue will be raised at the next meeting with the Head of Supporter Services (scheduled 11^{th} March 2024).

A discussion took place about an end of season event to raise funds for NUST, together with a raffle of a signed club shirt. To be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

LM briefed the Board on the discussions and assistance provided on behalf of NUST to Wolves fan Manny Singh Kang who completed his walk from Molineux to St James Park last weekend to raise funds for Dementia UK.

PK raised the issue of the recent fans group letter to the club regarding ticketing which had been coordinated by FSA It was agreed that contact would be made with FSA to ascertain whether any follow up action is necessary

Next meeting- to be confirmed.