

## LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

### Minutes of the Board meeting of the held at Liverpool St Helens FC on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Present: D Herriman, M.J. Worsley, T. Stirk, J.T. Hughes, K Andrews, P Deakin, RT J Briers

In attendance: T. Fitzgerald, B H Stott, S Blackburn, D Southern, T Bartram.

Apologies: M Downs, C Baker, J Greenwood.

#### RRDM Report.

Dave Southern reported the following.

1. The timeline for the PFR has been circulated.
2. The number of league matches being postponed was discussed. DS reported that they were aware of all matches called off and were making contact with those clubs.
3. The roster for the Women's League for 2015/2016 was circulated.
4. Tom Bartram gave a presentation on facility improvements.

The Chairman thanked Dave Southern & Tom Bartram for their reports and they left the meeting.

#### Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the Board meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016, (previously circulated) were accepted and signed as a correct record.

#### Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

#### RFU Report

KA & RTJB reported on the following.

1. Aspirational Pathway Review and Age Grade Rugby
2. Payment of Players.
3. Compensation Advisory Panel Review
4. Appointment of Chairman of the Board of Directors
5. CB Bar refurbishment
6. New RFU appointments.
7. O2 Contract
8. Champagne Bollinger
9. Mitsubishi Motors
10. Britvic
11. Women's Performance Strategy
12. Artificial Pitches
13. NatWest Rugby Force
14. Business Rates Re-evaluation
15. East Stand
16. Strategic Plan

17. Walking Rugby
18. Presentation by Eddie Jones
19. England Rugby National Survey
20. Old Mutual Wealth Kids First Champions Programme
21. England U20's
22. Rugby Groundsmen Connected.

### Treasurers Report

PD presented the Annual Accounts (which had been previously circulated). The Board accepted the report and thanked the Finance and Funding team for their hard work in getting the report ready for the Financial AGM.

PD also reported that he was chasing the clubs with outstanding payments.

### RDC Report

TF had submitted a report and he highlighted the following.

1. The Royals have a confirmed fixture on 27<sup>th</sup> December 2016.
2. Lancashire Rugby Strategy Plan is in hand.
3. A programme of coaching workshops would be released in the New Year.
4. A meeting with administrators and coaches of club first XV's is to be held to examine ways to assist them
5. A new tie for the Royal's was approved.
6. The CB Women XV wants approval to explore possibilities of a self-financing tour to Ireland.
7. Concern was expressed about an unauthorised sponsorship on non CB issued rain tops.
8. The Board agreed to employ a local journalist for a 3 month period to raise the profile of the county.
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### Club and Community Rugby

MJW had nothing report.

### Cup and Competitions

BHS reported that all competitions were progressing well and were on target for the Finals Day

### Governance

TS had nothing to report.

### Discipline

BHS reported that there was nothing of note so far this season.

### Correspondence.

BHS reported no correspondence appertaining to this meeting.

### New Members

RTJB reported that 2 new applications had been received.

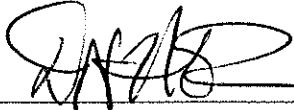
Date of next meeting:

Next Meeting: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at LSH 6.30 pm

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1. KA circulated a list of clubs and their level of contact with the County.
2. TJH reported that the Under 18's had lost all three of their matches this season. However, seven players had been selected to the North of England trial.
3. TF reported that his presidential year was now in full swing.
4. TDS reported that Gareth Hughes has asked for a memorial to his father Vin Hughes. The Board approved the request.
5. DH reported that the membership problem at Warrington RUFC was now resolved.
6. DH reported that the Portuguese RFU had visited.
7. DH reported that the relationship between the County and Liverpool and Manchester Referee's was improving.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm



Chairman

Date

5<sup>th</sup> Dec 2016