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Present: Steve McCarthy [SMc] (Chair), Margaret Decker [MD] (Secretary), Lee Bradshaw [LB], John Farmer [JF], Dave Farrell [DF], John Haynes, Andy Munro [AM]

Apologies: Rob Hughes, Daniel Ivery, Ray Tomkinson, Chris Sanderson

1. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

Minutes of the meeting on August 15th, 2012, were accepted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

2. Treasurer's Report

Assets are currently £1194.67 with liabilities of £491.98 for Auditing Fee, Expenses for Independent Chair at AGM, Hire of Room for AGM, Corporation Tax for 2011-12, Blues Trust Badge Design Registration. MD will inform the treasurer of expenses that may be incurred for printing membership forms, graphic design and postage of AGM materials.

3. Secretary's Report

Membership: We have 200 full members.

Championship trusts meeting will be on 11th October 2012; SMc and DF will attend as our representatives.

4. Other reports

- a. Election Management Group: Advance notice of AGM and information on nomination procedures has been sent to all members: 189 by email and 11 by post. The cut-off date for joining the trust to be eligible to vote for board members and at AGM has been set as 6th October 2012.
- b. Membership forms: DF reported that 200 forms are being printed and will be ready by 11th September so they will be available for use at Bolton home game.
- c. Marketing materials: JF & LB reported that AM had supplied bases for 3 pull up banners and that they were working on design. It was agreed that we would finalize arrangements for AGM venue before confirming design and wording on banners. It was also agreed to authorise LB to spend £100 on graphic design.
- d. Website: Our domain has not yet been transferred. LB will find out what information is required.
- e. Walk-the-92 project: DF reported that the walk had been abandoned due to an injury to Scott McLachlan's foot.

5. Resolution

It was agreed that non-members be allowed to attend the AGM but not to vote.

6. Discussion topics

- a. Arrangements for AGM: MD reported that South and City College Birmingham had informed her that they might have to change the room that we booked for the AGM but would not increase the price if they had to move us to a larger room. SMC agreed to be responsible for making arrangements with the college about the use of the room.
- b. Communication with club: There was a discussion on how best to communicate with the club on issues such as match day pricing and long queues at Tilton Road turnstiles. It was agreed that LB, DF and SMC would work on this.

7. Any Other Business:

SMC reported that he'd accepted the offer of hospitality from Sheffield Wednesday's supporters trust but arrived too late to make use of it. He had said we'd try to reciprocate when they came to the game at St Andrew's in February.

Next meeting will be at 7 pm on Tuesday 25th September at the Royal George. The meeting finished at 8:35 pm.