## Minutes of Blues Trust board meeting

held at 3 pm on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018

Board members present: Margaret Decker (MD), Cliff Horrocks (CH), Richard Stanley (RS)

Board members who participated via email: Karim Adab (KB), Peter Bull (PB)

Also present: Graham Powell

#### 1. Minutes

The minutes of the 9/4/2018 meeting were approved.

# 2. Matters arising

- a. The date of the meeting was changed from May 14<sup>th</sup> to May 8<sup>th</sup> because MD was unable to attend a meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>.
- b. CH and RS attended Supporters Direct and Football Supporters Federation meetings in London on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - At the SD meeting, there was information on the SD hub, efforts to get more young people involved in sport and Memorandums of Understanding between supporters trusts and clubs. SD said that trusts should consult their members about the proposal to merge with the FSF. It was agreed that we would do this when SD and FSF had produced their statements on this. The FSF meeting focussed more on the match day experience.
- c. Blues Trust presented a player of the season award to Jacques Maghoma. Neil Grant, the owner of Crescent Silver where the award was made, attended the presentation event with CH and MD.

### 3. Survey

The board approved the end-of-season statement to introduce the survey to members on what they want the club to be like in 7 years' time, in its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary year.

### 4. Supporter groups forum on May 24

CH and RS will attend the supporters forum. It was agreed that CH would write 3 questions to submit to the forum, asking:

- (1) for the club to meet with the trust and talk about developing strategic engagement.
- (2) if they have an answer to our question asked at previous meetings, about buying share options in Birmingham Sports Holdings.
- (3) for them to comment on press reports about the club being in breach of Financial Fair Play regulations.

#### 5. Future events

CH, RS and MD will attend the SD Members Day on May 20<sup>th</sup>. It was decided to send out another letter to members asking them to consider attending this.

# 6. Any other business

- a. There was some discussion on Operation Cromwell and the effect it might have.
- b. It was agreed that RS would submit a new application for St Andrew's to be registered as an Asset of Community Values since it did not seem possible to renew the present ACV.

### 7. Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be at 3 pm on Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting finished at 5:30 pm.