

Minutes of the AFCW PLC Board Meeting
Thursday 22 September 2022, 3.30 pm
Cherry Red Records Stadium

Present: Mick Buckley, Iain McNay, Nick Robertson (until 18.30), Kris Stewart, Charlie Talbot, Michele Little, Luke Mackenzie, David Charles

DTB Observers: Graham Stacey, Hannah Kitcher, Anne-Marie Godfrey.

- 1) **Apologies for absence.** None.
- 2) **Minutes of previous meeting for approval.** Approved.
- 3) **Matters arising not on the agenda and agreed action points follow through.** Update on structure and governance of DT; DTB papers on governance prepared ready for SGM on 13 October. Summary of papers: 2-board structure, namely PLC as operational board, DTB as oversight board, with 3 from DTB on PLC board in oversight capacity; clear set of rules, including JDs for the DTB reps on PLC and any PLC NEDs; memorandum of understanding between the DT and club, establishing what PLC can decide without reference to DTB/members and when they need to consult further. It is important to focus now on the other changes we want to see happen in December. Agreed – all SGM papers should be shared with PLC board members.
- 4) **Recruitment update with Jamie Johnson.** Jamie had sent a paper in advance, which he talked through with the board. He gave a brief history of his career and presented ideas for the January transfer window.
- 5) **Update with The Manager and Assistant Manager.** Johnnie Jackson and Terry Skiverton joined the meeting and a discussion followed as to how they were enjoying being at AFC Wimbledon, what was going well, what was causing the team to lose out in the recent fixtures, what actions and tactics were they employing to turn results around and was there anything further the Board could do to support them.
- 6) **Finance.**

Investors Update. CT summarised latest information. He is in conversation with three potential investors for the remaining equity available..

Management Accounts. ML sent shared paper on timetable up to AGM.

Repayment and closure of PL Bond. Recommended closure of bond by 10.10.22 with any orders needing to be paid by then. All agree that PL Bond can now be closed.
- 7) **Interim Chair Report.** In response to question from CT, MB said that the new person heading up operations for Elior had made a strong start and shown determination to find solutions to issues.

The lift shafts had been subject to some flooding and repairs were being addressed and would be covered by guarantee. This should not have happened and work which included drying the wet areas and sealing would be done as soon as possible but there was no completion date yet.

Other commercial matters were discussed including progress on Education Hub

IT across the club is sometimes a challenge. More investment required to effect improvement. PA system is presenting problems too; it needs more spending on it. This is on the list of capital expenditure projects from EFL.

It was observed that progress is being made on most fronts, which is good to see.

8) Finance and Development Committees.

Finance: there were no objections to the people proposed by ML in her paper. Terms of reference for the Committee are shown in ML's paper and were endorsed by the PLC. ML to arrange date of next Finance Committee meeting.

Development: Roger Hobkinson to write an article in the programme on this group, to gather more people to take part.

9) D & I. ML reminded board of D&I demands made by EFL, on which club will be audited before Christmas.

10) Safeguarding. DC spoke to Frank Thompson and Mandy Bynon and there were no reported safeguarding issues in the past month.

11) A.O.B.

None

12) Time and location of next meeting. 20th October 2022, 15.30, Cherry Red Records Stadium.