

**Minutes of the meeting of the board of the Silkmen Supporters' Trust
held at the Golden Lion, Moss Lane, Macclesfield at 7.30 pm on Monday
22 August 2011.**

Present:

Adam Waller (Chairman)
John Rayner
Rob Wilson
Andrew Mellor
Jim Goodwin
Myra Clark (Hon Treas)
David Woolliscroft (Hon Sec)

Apologies were reported from Jon Smart

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 11 April 2011 (minutes confirmed by correspondence).
2. Matters arising not otherwise covered in the agenda
 - Meeting with club. To be arranged. During the meeting, various items were identified as matters for discussion either with the Club Chair or with Dave Towns. **Chairman**
 - Share purchase. Sec to follow up with Barrie Darcy. **DW**
 - MTFC AGM. Noted – no action required.
 - POYA report. The evening seemed to have been well received – it was agreed that in future, the SST needed to raise funds in order to cover the costs (MC for evening; trophies etc). Chair to raise date with Club and fix as early as possible. **Chairman**
 - Footiefest report. JR to address with Macc Juniors – altogether another successful event. **JR**
 - Dave Towns to be invited to attend future meetings. **Chairman**
3. Treasurer's Report
 - Annual accounts – 2010/2011 accounts submitted to FSA - noted
 - To note financial responsibility returned to Myra Clark - noted
 - To note financial statement circulated by DHW. As part of the temporary cover by DHW, a simple spread sheet was being used – this allowed an instant estimate of funds available – in this case around £350. The need to raise funds was apparent to all.
4. Secretary's Report
 - SD Conference report. The Hon Sec had attended the SD conference (in Chester). New model rules had been agreed with FSA and would need to be adopted; policy documents had been collected – RW requested an opportunity to review.
5. Web site
 - Message board – working (but needs to be used)
 - Other facilities – maintenance needed to be regular with the possible addition of pictures.
 - With the ongoing use of the website, it was agreed that the matter need not continue to be an agenda item.

6. Disability Liaison Officer

AM had discussed the new ticketing arrangements with Andy Scot and had taken the opportunity to raise possible concessionary entrance charges for disabled. DW agreed to work with AM on this. Andy Scott had invited AM to discuss later. **AM**

7. Media/communications/Canalside (Note: George Williams has started commentary activities again and has indicated that he would be prepared to act as Comms Officer – to consider)

Chairman to discuss with GW possible assistance with communications etc and finesse method to keep GW up to date. **Chairman**

8. Membership

- Membership stood at 144 but RW was struggling with lack of enthusiasm amongst members/possible members.

9. AOB/date of next meeting

- JR had been approached by the BBC programme 'rip off Britain' to assist with a piece on pricing of refreshments in motorway restaurants. All supported his participation. **JR**
- MC agreed to begin arrangements for a Christmas Draw. **MC**
- Calendar. DW reported discussions with Peter Hilton. (Note: These were continued immediately following the meeting and the outcome will be reported as soon as possible.
- Christmas market stall – Chair to raise with Club – ie does the Club wish the Trust to organise with Club stock to sell
- Next meeting 3 October Golden Lion

10. Chairman's points

Objectives for next 12 months (item delayed till last item to allow sufficient time)

- Young sportsman's evening – JG/JR to discuss with FIC **JG/JR**
- Manager's evening – Chairman to raise with Club; possible to use Corner Flag with SST staffing bar etc. **Chairman**
- Poncho's - RW to research costs **RW**
- Race night **JR**
- Trust profile with non-Trust fans and the wider population. This probably needed more debate.
- Press to fill vacancies on the board