



# Wessex Blues

25th Meeting Minutes

Started 16th October 2014 19:50

Closed 16th October 2014 20:25

Location: Royal British Legion/Ex Servicemen's Club, North Road, Poole, Dorset

## **1. Welcome and Introduction**

Ashley thanked everyone for attending the October meeting (18 in attendance) as Alan was absent from the start of the meeting due to seeing his sister in hospital.

Apologies were mentioned from Sue Ockenden, Pete Armstrong, Alan Lawrence, Dave O'Brien, Annie O'Brien, Joanne Sherry and Peter Birbeck.

New member - David Blakeley (not present)

## **2. Vice Chairperson Update (Ashley Jones)**

Ashley asked members present if the previous minutes from the last meeting were satisfactory....no objections were made.

## **3. Treasurer Update (Kay Brooks)**

Kay confirmed that the accounts were up to date with all transactions. Kay also confirmed that Richard and herself went to the bank on the 25th September, to enable her access to the bank account. To date; however, Kay had not received any correspondence so far directly from the bank so she can access the bank account.

## **3. General Secretary Update (Dr. Richard Wild)**

Richard confirmed that the minutes from the previous meeting were now on the website.

Richard confirmed that out of the 35 branch members that the Wessex Blues have got currently paid up by the time of the vote, 33 branch member votes had been received for Richard to continue in his role as General Secretary for the next two years, while Ashley received 32 votes for him to continue in the role of Vice Chairperson. As both committee members just needed 11 votes each to retain their posts (i.e. a third of the current Wessex Blues membership), Richard confirmed that himself and Ashley had been voted back into their respective roles.

Richard mentioned about trying to spread the Wessex Blues word on forums and via the local newspaper. Richard confirmed he had not done this to date as he was waiting for confirmation of the IOW meeting in January and would do this sometime in October.

Richard confirmed that the current membership stood at 36.

The IOW branch confirmed that the meeting in January will take place on the 29th January when both the Premiership and League trophies with several ex Manchester City stars would be present.

No further news with respect to adding new content directly onto the OSC website without the aid of the web administrator.

Richard confirmed that we would be able to purchase 50 home badges and 50 away badges in the home/away colours. The badges would have the standard City logo with the words Wessex Blues OSC around the outside.....this was proposed by Paul and seconded by Martin.

Richard confirmed that Richard Edgehill would come to Wessex Blues branch on the 20th or 27th February 2015....date to be confirmed later this year. Richard confirmed that attendance from the IOW/A34 supporter branches would also be present.

New business cards were discussed with Paul and hoped to have them printed for the meeting in November

Richard had still not received any information why the name 'Wessex Blues' were missing from the supporters branches mentioned around the stadium. Richard confirmed he would chase this up in the next week or so.

Richard confirmed that Doug's health was not too good, and that a heart by-pass was the latest decision. Richard confirmed that Doug wished us all the best.

West Ham tickets were distributed to branch members who had requested them.

Richard commented that he had received several emails from Kevin with reference to ticket applications....Kevin made it clear that ticket requests after the deadline would be void and ticket requests themselves had become ridiculous.

#### **4. AOB**

Dave Wood commented and gave examples about the branch going on a brewery trip as a social event....the rest of the evening was made up of a quiz organised by Richard with 25 questions.

#### **5. Next Meeting**

Next meeting to be held on the 13th November at 19:45.

Minutes taken by Dr. Richard J. Wild – General Secretary