



READING FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS' SOCIETY LTD.
T/A STAR (Supporters' Trust At Reading)
Minutes of 16th Annual General Meeting
6 September 2018 at 8pm at Madejski Stadium

Present:

Ian Maynard (Chairman)
Roger Titford (Deputy Chairman)
Richard Langley (Deputy Chairman)
Vicci Elliot (Treasurer)

Elected Board Members:

Steve Benton
Colin Bishop
Melanie Bishop
Sacha Liddiard
Paula Martin

In attendance:

120 STAR members

Minutes taken by Teresa Hicks (Secretary)

1. Apologies for absence were received from Kevin Lenton, Colin Ford, Johnny Hunt, Andrew Wearing and Chris Witcher.
2. The Chairman welcomed members to the 16th Annual General Meeting.
3. The Minutes of the 15th AGM held on 13 September 2017 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting. There were no matters arising.
4. Elections to the Board

Five candidates were standing for election to the Board. Peter Matthews, Chairman of the Election Sub-Committee, proposed each candidate in turn and all were duly elected.

Colin Bishop – Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Paul Ellix.
Roger Titford – Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Helen Bullen.
Steve Benton – Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Bryan Dennis.
Jon Hall – Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Alison Matthews.
Johnny Hunt – Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Paula Martin.

5. Chairman's Report

5.1 The Chairman gave his report for the year ended 30 June 2018. The STAR Board had met on 12 occasions during the year and fulfilled its usual roles. Of particular note:

- 1166 members at the end of the 2017-18 season.
- Coach travel as usual to all away grounds - 1935 passengers to 25 matches. Thanks were expressed to all the coach stewards.
- Representation at RFC's regular Senior Management meetings, attendance at Safety Advisory Group meetings and continued affiliation with external groups such as the FSF and Supporters' Direct.
- Two Fans' Forums.
- Supporters' Player of the Season – organisation of the card vote.
- One issue of Reading Matter was published; regular STAR Bulletins were sent out; Facebook and Twitter followers continue to increase.
- Hall of Fame – 25 new inductees at the third Hall of Fame event in March.
- Community donations in support of the RFC Deaf Team and the Reading & District Sunday League.

5.2 The Chairman gave details about some of the priorities for the 2018-19 year including:

- To establish a structured relationship with RFC's CEO, Ron Gourlay and the owners.
- To launch a new, more accessible and user-friendly STAR website.

6. Treasurer's Report

6.1 Vicci Elliot gave her report and presented audited accounts for the year ended 30 June 2018.

6.2 The accounts were accepted: Proposed: Vicci Elliot; seconded: Paul Ellix.

6.3 Paul Ellix asked the Board to consider removing the STAR Base from the accounts as its value is depreciating at around 10% a year and current worth is less than £7,000. The Board agreed to consider this at its next Board Meeting.

7. Appointment of Auditors

It was proposed that Vale & West were reappointed as auditors and this was carried. Proposed: Vicci Elliot; Seconded: Wendie Wakefield.

8. Predictor competition winners

First prize was awarded to Mark Wellsteed, second and third prizes to Alan Wellsteed. Gareth Pritchard won the prize for best entry before the season started.

10. Any other business- None.

The Chairman closed the meeting. A Fans' Forum followed with Paul Clement as guest.