CF10 RUGBY TRUST

Eighty-fifth meeting of The Board of Directors

to be held via Zoom

on Tuesday 25 February 2025 commencing at 7pm

PRESENT

Board Directors: Lynn Glaister (chair), Sally Carter (secretary), Simon Baker, Hugh Campbell, David Allen, Steve Coombs, Karan Chandler

Apologies: Claire O'Shea, Andrew Collins, Sarah Kirk, Derek Redwood

ITEM	
1	Chair's introductory remarks
	Lynn recorded the apologies and introduced the main theme of the meeting - feeding back from the meeting with Cardiff Rugby.
2	Minutes of the Board meeting held on Tuesday 21 January 2025
	The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record and will be uploaded to the website.
3	Matters Arising and Actions
	The newsletter did go out with the appropriate notifications for the AGM. Lynn will ensure another one goes out before the AGM including the notes from the meeting with Richard Holland.
	All other matters arising are covered on the agenda.
4	Cardiff Rugby Matters
	CAC Rugby AGM (7 th February)
	The question raised by Lynn on behalf of CF10 was raised at the AGM but no new information emerged in terms of the ground development or the lease.
	Meeting with Cardiff Rugby (20 th February)
	Lynn, Hugh, Sarah and David met with Richard and Mike for a 2-hour wide-ranging meeting. Questions were submitted from CF10 members and from various people via direct messaging.
	Full notes will be distributed when agreed by Richard.
	Key points:

	 PRA - Confirmed that the PRA documents have been presented to the Cardiff Board and approved by them. Now needs to go to an EGM for formal sign-off by the shareholders. The agreement is a free-standing agreement between the WRU and each individual club. Richard believes it is a better model than the existing agreement and is better worded. The controls within this agreement are the same as those already within the existing PRA and are unlikely to be enforced – mutually agreed solutions are far more likely. Players will also have rights over some of the controls. A Q&A will be held after the EGM. CAP lease – still in the 3-year extension and waiting until Euros 2028 arrangements have been confirmed before further action taken. Finance – no concerns about Inland Revenue bills raised by some people on X. Pathway – how do Cardiff aim to improve the pathway? Sam Warburton more closely involved, plenty of Academy announcements and appointments. Connacht game – Cardiff will not be given an allocation and supporters will need to purchase tickets individually. Matt Sherratt – asked about his appointment as the temporary WRU coach. Cardiff gave their permission for him to be approached. Good PR for Cardiff. Matt had signed his extension a few weeks ago and the announcement was brought forward to reassure fans. If he does decide to go to the WRU there is currently no contingency in place. Losing players to Dragons – discussion of the reasons behind some of the player losses. Not seen as being stolen. Recruitment and retention programme ongoing as Cardiff evolves its future team plans. Artificial Pitch is not the cause of the recent injuries. Most injuries happened in away games or on Wales duty. This is constantly monitored. Season Tickets – There will be a small increase as costs have risen however the costs remains on a par with other clubs. We also have the added inclusion of the RFC games,
5	JSG and WRU
	Nothing has happened since we last met. David suggested that it might be time to contact Abbie again and push for another meeting. Lynn will approach Barry to take this forward.
6	Working Groups
	6.1 Heritage
	David, Sally and Simon met to start planning for the Lions exhibition. Other members of the Board offered their services if we need help with the decant. The new storage space has been confirmed, and we have been given access.
	6.2 Communications
	Comms is continuing to go well, and we are balancing content on X and Bluesky. We got a lot of questions for Richard Holland via social media. It would be good to send out feedback, so people have answers to their questions. This might be done through Harley's

	podcast as well as social media.
	There was a good response to our positive tweets about Matt Sherratt.
8	Finance
	Funds remain unchanged from last month and stand at: £1,012
9	AGM (25 th March)
	The information was sent out with the last Chair's newsletter. All Nomination forms have been published on the website.
	Only one nomination has been received so far – from Sarah Kirk. The deadline is the 11 th March so unless another nomination is received, there will be no need for an election.
	David is happy to take part in a Q&A about the future direction.
	The details will be sent out to members with the next newsletter along with the zoom link.
9	Other Identified Business
	Recent activity on comms and social media has highlighted the fact that the new owners are still not very visible. We still know very little about them and their thoughts on Cardiff Rugby and the situation in Welsh rugby more broadly. It would be great if we could get them to do a Q&A – should we push for this again after the PRA has been signed and agreed?
10	Date and time of next meetings:
	- Thursday 20 th March – meeting with Cardiff Rugby.
	- Tuesday 25 th March - AGM