

## **IRVINE SPORTS CLUB BOARD MEETING on THUR. 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023**

**Present:** R. Kidd, A. Rennie, J. McGarry, A. Wilson, M. Ingram, A. Keenan, G. Russell

**Apologies:** L. Williamson, S. McCallum, M. Nish, G. Frater

### **Finance and Banking**

The finance report had been prepared by Glen and issued in advance of the meeting. The report showed a further loss for the month of £6,800 with a consequent reduction in the club's bank balance. Two further necessary expenditures will also have to be made which will further exacerbate the situation – an electrical wiring certificate is required by our insurance company at a cost of £2,000 and our scrubber drier is out for repair at an estimated cost of £800 + vat. A saving on Glen's salary will be achieved by reducing the nights on which he is required to be on standby and on call out for security reasons.

### **Continuation of discussion on proposals to improve income streams**

**Membership Income** – Girls Football and Running which make section payments on an annual or quarterly basis starting on 1<sup>st</sup> July confirmed that they will be making the necessary payments. Cricket and Rugby which make section payments on an ongoing basis will make any necessary amendments to reflect additional memberships.

**Hall Lets** – The dance school are now almost up to date with their payments. Glen has been in discussion with Tactical Krav about the possibility of them taking a more permanent let within the clubhouse. This would involve storage of equipment(mats) and the possibility of a fairly exclusive use of one area – the Marress room. Glen was authorised to have further discussions with Tactical Krav about their exact requirements and what they would pay.

**Playing Field Lets** – M. Ingram reported that Girdle Toll Amateurs were interested in playing matches and training at the club. G. Russell was authorised to have discussions with the group to find out their requirements and what they would be prepared to pay. These discussions would be on the basis of a one year let only.

**Bar functions** – The Bonkers Bingo event is being actively promoted. Discussions between Glen and G. Frater about other promotions have still to take place.

**Crowdfunding** – this income source has great potential, particularly since there are National organisations which will match crowdfunding donations. G. Russell and A. Rennie will investigate further.

**Grants** – Glen is continuing to pursue funding applications covering a wide spectrum of activity including: Cost of Living Support Fund(£35k); Digital Pioneers Fund(£50k); Awards4All(£10k); Essentia Fund(£9k); Stand up to Sectarianism Small Grant(£500); Bailey Gifford Grass Roots support Fund(£5k); Morrisons Community Grant(£10k); Hays Travel Charity Grant(£10k).

### **Club Keyholders and locking up rotas**

Both M. Ingram and A. Keenan agreed to become keyholders and to participate in the club locking up rota. They will not be required to do night time call outs.

## **Development Manager's report**

The 'No Dogs' sign is ready to be erected and is awaiting delivery of two fence posts. All other matters were covered in other parts of the agenda.

## **Playing Sections and Gym**

**Cricket** – 1<sup>st</sup> X1 3wins from 3games and 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 2wins from 3games. The incident of alleged discrimination reported to the May board meeting is no longer an issue.

**Football** – under 14 team are into two finals – S.W. League Cup Final this week and the Scottish Cup Final on 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. Unfortunately the Ladies team which finished 8<sup>th</sup> out of 10 in their league despite losing their last two games has now disbanded.

**Rugby** – Pre-season training for both men and women has now started and the fixtures are out for the new season. Both men's and women's teams will travel to Bishopton for a Charity Festival this weekend. Tartan touch is still operating and extra coaches are finalising their certificates. Preparations are underway to dispose of the rugby container.

**Running** – The Running section will host the Marymass 10k on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Members have competed in numerous 10k's including Kilmarnock 'Roon the Toon'. Michael Rimicans was 10<sup>th</sup> in the Edinburgh Marathon with a time of 2h36m.

## **AOB**

The next meeting was arranged for Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July.