

BAILGATE U3A

Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held at Tesco Community Room on Monday 28th January, 2019

Present: Baz Aveyard (BA), Peter Elsmore (PE) Annie Newcombe (AN) Rosemary Palmer (RP) Pam Simpson (PS Chair) Susan Sproson (SS) Ranbir Bali (RB)

1. Apologies for Absence:

These were received from Dave Hunt

2. Minutes of the last meeting:

Were signed as an accurate record of the proceedings.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes (including review of Christmas Social (held in January 2019

- (i) The Christmas social was held in January because the caterer was ill and we were unable to use the room. There were some issues re the entertainment but the committee resolved to get better at sharing information in advance of such events. PS commended AN for rapidly producing a quiz that was well received by the members. PE (and Chris Elsmore) were thanked for their early arrival to the event.
- (ii) BA announced that the new 'Kings and Queens' group would meet for the first time in the Tesco Community Room at 2.00pm on Thursday 31st January.

4. Finance

BA gave our account balance as at 28th January. It was £2004.18. This was regarded as a healthy balance.

5. Membership

- (i) AN reported 145 members as at 26th January 2019.

- (ii) We resolved that in the new year beginning April 2019, there would be one fee of £15.00 whichever month new members joined in.
- (iii) The new fee for the magazine is £2.90 with effect from 1st April 2019.
- (iv) It was agreed that there would be a redesigned membership application form upon which there will be no mention of the U3A magazine. There will be a separate form

6. Interest Groups

- (i) RP reported that the Keep Fit group is still running although numbers are quite low. It may be possible to recruit non- U3A members to this group
- (ii) The third reading group ('Reading for Pleasure') is now officially closed.

7. Speakers

The year April 2019 to March 2020 is now filled with invited speakers all of whom have accepted their invitations.

8. Website

Nothing reported

9. Neighbourhood Groups

Nothing reported

10. Correspondence

- (i) SS reported she had received an email to regarding an article which was in the Sunday Telegraph in December
- (ii) Insurance certificate had been received from the trust for 2019
- (iii) SS responded to a U3A Trust request asking about computer use by committees. She told them that managing membership numbers, Organising speakers and managing the notice board are the main uses.

11 Forward Planning

Next year's committee looks small given the numbers of the present committee who will be retiring. Discussion included considering the possibility of meeting in the day rather than the evening. This will be included in Notices at the next monthly meeting.

12. **AOB** Ranbir received a vote of thanks as this was her last meeting as a member of the committee.
13. **DTPNM** 25th February 2019 and then 25th March 2019

PE/ 1st Feb '19.