

Boldon and District u3a

Minutes of Committee Meeting 10.30 14th March 22

Present: Chair P Devenport (PD) P.Winfield (PW) G Cucchi (GC) S Soulsby (SS) J Jordan (JJ) C Jordan (CJ) B Coombs (BC)

1. Apologies for Absence None

2. Minutes of previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 14th February were agreed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

PD commented that Sheila Miller was not going to take on the roll of Business Secretary so the 3 signatories for banking would be BC GC and PD.

4. Vice Chairs report

PD welcomed BC as the new Treasurer.

Sheila decided that the Business Secretary position would be too much for her to take on. We still need to find a Business Secretary.

PD confirmed that Kay had resigned for personal reasons and SS would look after the booking of speakers until we can find a replacement.

Denise Walter will put in this years charity commission return.

A new colour printer has been purchased which PD is using to print tickets for the trips.

5. Treasurers Report

PW Needs to know the number of members who class Boldon and Cleadon u3a as their primary u3a on the 31st March so he can pay capitation to the u3a trust.

GC will send to PW.

Bank charges 40p/cheque cash 40p/£100.

BC is going to investigate opening an account at Virgin as Santander was not free banking.

6. Membership Report

GC A total of 48 members have renewed as of today.

247 members 23 with no email.

PD The cost of posting the newsletter to members without an email address is going to be £8.16/per person just for the stamps. It was decided to ask the members involved when they get their next newsletter to either provide an email address or pay an extra £8/year or provide a stamped addressed envelope.

7. Group Report

There are 9 active groups the group leaders for the Sunday and Thursday walks have both resigned.

BC may offer a walk once a month. SS will ask the groups to have a planning meeting were the groups can plan the next 12 months walks and different members can lead the walk each month.

Music appreciation is still in the planning stage.

IT group up and running

Choir JJ is trying to contact Lindsay Allen to lead the choir, the room is available and JJ is trying to source the cheapest way to get the music and lyrics

Other groups are ticking over.

8. Beacon Report

PD £1/per member due on 31st March. BC has now got access to Beacon Demo.

9. Speakers Report

SS will contact this months speaker and check what equipment she needs and will organise the speakers until we have a replacement. PD will put up a demonstration of Beacon after the speaker.

10. AGM

PD needs a short report from the officers.

PD has been checking the guidance from the u3a the AGM has to take place 6 to 8 weeks after the financial year to give time for the accounts to be signed off so next year we will move the AGM to a later date.

PW There should be time to get the accounts checked before the AGM.

PD We need to set the fee for the coming year (23/24) at the AGM we have already decided to keep the fee at £10 for the year 22/23.

The AGM agenda

Accepting the minutes of last years AGM

Election of officers

Reports from the committee

Adams music quiz

Refreshments

Group leaders to have tables promoting their activities and answer any questions.

Beacon and Facebook demos.

11.AOB

SS Need to organise a meeting of group leaders to explain Bill's new system of accounting for the groups and remind the leaders that they must keep a record of who attends each session for health and safety and check that the attendees are current members.

PD Need to check what is stored in the room above the church hall.

PD Shared the newsletter that was about to be sent out.

GC to purchase 2 boxes of cream eggs to give out at the AGM.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

Next committee meeting 10.30 11th April

Next monthly meeting AGM 10.30 25th April.