

## **Dulwich & District U3A Minutes of Executive Committee meeting Mon April 29<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Venue: Sue's home 10.00am

**1. Present:** Liz Day (LD, chair), Roman Bednarz (RB), Susan Elias (SE), Helen Graham (HG, minutes), Joy Harris (JH), Verity Mosenthal (VM), Melinda Tennant-Flowers (MTF), Pam Ruben (PR), Neil Abrahams – left early (NA). **Apologies:** Angela Brown (AB), Diana McInnes (DM)

**2. Review of Planned Agenda.** Nil added

**3. Corrections to previous minutes 01.4.19.** Accepted as correct

**4. Matters arising from above minutes in addition to agenda:** nil

**5. Review of past events and meetings:**

- a. Rembrandt talk by Rupert Dickens 24.04.19. Excellent talk; about 100 attended
- b. Conveners' Meeting 5.04.19. Minutes circulated. Meeting went well. Explained need to recruit volunteers for DDU3A especially for Exec ctte. Two new co-conveners: David Beamish- Maths for Fun and Lindsey Merriman- Opera group. New convener needed for 2nd wine group. Conveners asked to check membership status of groups in May. Agreed 3 conveners' meeting annually- Autumn, January, and April.
- c. Delegates meeting on 26.04.19. Total 4 meetings p.a. LD + Rona Black on London Delegate Group, would like to recruit another DDU3A representative- next meeting Friday July 12th. If interested, contact LD. U3A Headquarters has expanded and is better resourced since moving from Bromley to Southwark, able to answer enquiries more effectively.

### **6. Plans for future Open Meetings**

**a. May AGM 20.5.19 plans.** Official notice served. Proposers of motions and voting only if fully paid member. Exec Ctte members check prior AGM start. (NA to take minutes).

Motions to be considered:

Membership subscriptions: reduce from £25 to £20 for 2019-2020.

DDU3A constitution – amend to currently allow membership for 3-6 years. In future, to align requirements with 3<sup>rd</sup> Age Trust national constitution.

**b. AGM format:**

2.15pm start with Daniel Raven-Ellison's talk on National Park City until 3.00, then Qs&As for 15 mins.

3.15 AGM. Agenda: introductions- present Exec ctte. Nominations received: Rona Black, Sandra Tait, 7 current members who wish to continue; and 5 members to resign, leaving total of 9 for 2019-20 (maximum constitutionally 15)

Motions from members: one received from Roman Bednarz

**c. Treasurer's Report and audited accounts for 2018-19 (VM).** These were circulated prior to meeting. George Luck signed off accounts as accurate. Income increased by 16%, outgoings decreased. This leaves funds available to support DDU3A activities. At AGM need accounts proposer and seconder, and take questions

**d. Job Descriptions.** Ctte roles and JD of membership secretary to be added to list on DDU3A website to include notifying new members of tea event. **Action RB.**

Convener Co-ordinators to write their JD. **Action SE, HG, NA**

**e. Agenda and talk on National Garden City.** See 6a

**f. Dates + venues for autumn open meetings.** Carnegie Library booked for 21st June. HHBC for 11<sup>th</sup> September, DPG for an Art History groups event 22nd Nov.

**7. Membership update:** JH reported 60% of last year's membership had renewed and 1<sup>st</sup> batch of membership cards to be posted by end of April. 2019-20 cards use new design- credit size cards with DDU3A and national U3A logos, e-mail address, website, charity number. For TAM mailing **Action: JH submit 2018-19 membership list by 10th May**

**8. Subcommittee reports:**

**a. Grievance and Discipline policies.** JH reported on behalf of DM. Agreed on new version with amendments i.e. removal of Vice-Chair clause as no appointment made.

**Action: JH and MTF e-mail amendments to RB for update on DDU3A website.**

**9. Rosebery Lodge.** LD, SE, NA to meet with Ian McInnes and Southwark councillor Andy Simmons on 3.5.19. Care advised on taking on Rosebery Lodge because of responsibilities with the Lease and related legal and cost implications.

**10. A.O.B** nil

**11. Meetings.** Potential dates for Christmas events discussed - early booking advised: Xmas lunch, Quiz, and Conveners' lunch. Agreed return to Dulwich and Sydenham Golf Club for Xmas lunch- suggested 3<sup>rd</sup> week December; Quiz- suggested week 9<sup>th</sup> Dec; Conveners lunch Jan 2020). **Actions:**

**Rona book Xmas lunch (booked for Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec.);**

**VSE agree Quiz date;**

**SE, HG, NA agree date and book Conveners New Year Lunch.**

**Dates of Exec Ctte meetings:**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June at PR's house:

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July ? venue