

Minutes of Glossop U3A committee Meeting – 24th September 2020

This meeting was conducted on 'Zoom' due to the Covid19 crisis.

- 1) Present – Barbara Connah, Glyn Connah, Chris Blackett, Diane Butterworth, Maureen Brierley, Barbara Craven, Pam Zuntz, and Sue Vince.
- 2) Apologies – Brigette Manchee, Jean Lowcock, Jo Mortlock, Hazel Allman.
- 3) Minutes of the last meeting – Proposed B Craven, Seconded S Vince that minutes be accepted.
- 4) Matters Arising – None
- 5) Correspondence
 - a. Various communications from the Third Age Trust including the latest covid19 guidelines, AGM information and details of the High Street project.
 - b. Notification of an open Charity Commission meeting on 1st October.
 - c. Amazon Smile charity contributions – can't be accepted as this is not allowed by our constitution.
- 6) Treasurer's Report
 - a. Maureen doesn't have a budget forecast yet. The final accounts have been signed off and will arrive with the AGM letter.
 - b. Another £1500 of refunds to be sent out following cancellation of the Lion King and The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe.
 - c. The Third Age Trust have 'lost' the cheque for the Copyright and Film & Video licences so this may have to be stopped and re-issued. The re-issue may only be £60 to cover Copyright only.
 - d. Reserves are around £1500 above plan.
- 7) Committee Secretary's Report – Glyn has submitted our vote to the Third Age AGM via the Secretary as proxy agreeing to support the resolutions proposed by the executive.
- 8) Membership Secretary's Report – Diane has received subs from some members already, will bank the money later. She is currently sending out AGM emails and letters. Chris will hand deliver to members in Glossop and Maureen volunteered to do Hadfield area. The rest will go in the post.
- 9) Group and Activities Coordinator's Report – nothing to report this time.
- 10) AOB
 - a. Virtual AGM – Sue has a list of members who say that they didn't get the first letter which she will forward to Diane. **SV/DB**
Chris will monitor voting on the website and report weekly. **CB**
Diane has received some votes by email which she will forward to Glyn. **DB**
Chris will set up the meeting on Zoom for 10am on 29th Oct and investigate the possibility of recording it. **CB**
All committee members are reminded to vote.
 - b. Re-starting Groups – Some groups have tried to re-start but recent changes have set them back. The Poetry Reading group is back on email and History 1 is continuing on zoom. Pam says she may try Globe Trotters on zoom. Dancing for Fun were going to start next week but will now delay until next year. Barbara Craven says 90% of members are not interested in zoom. She found someone doing free talks as a sample test but only 3 members tried it out.
 - c. Other Activities – Diane made the point that we should be telling members that 'the U3A is not closed'. For instance, publish a diary of events by email and on the

website and on a poster. Maureen suggested that Glyn could pick ideas from the Third Age Newsletter each week for Diane to publicise. **GC/DB/CB**

Glyn suggested that the first idea could be to ask for volunteers for the 'High Street Project'.

Pam suggested we should also contact Group Leaders to remind their members to get on the website to vote and to look at the information from the Third Age Trust. This would be for Jean to do until the hand over at the AGM. Barbara Connah will contact Jean to arrange the hand over to Pam. **BCon**

Next Meeting Thursday 29th October 2020 at 11.00am.

Glyn Connah

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Treasurer's Report

1. Summary Accounts and Budget Forecast to the end of June are available for the committee. The total in the bank for all areas and activities of the U3A to the end of June is £10,380.11. There was £5,161.09 in the Savings account and £5,219.02 in the Current account to the end of June. The large drop was mainly due to the refunding of Maureen Hobson's four cancelled theatre trips which came to £4,438.50.
2. Since the end of June there has been further refunding for two of Alice Shaw's cancelled trips and a reimbursement to Maureen Hobson for the cost of tickets for the Lion King. The amount for Alice Shaw's trips were "Dad's Army" £351.00 and Shibden Hall £760.00 making a total of £1,111.00. The amount reimbursed to Maureen Hobson was £1,330.00. These refunds amount to £2,441.00 which will be deducted from the current account during July.
3. At the end of June, the current account held £5,219.02 but by the end of July will hold about £2,778.02. Together with Savings Account that gives an overall figure of £7,939.11.
4. Almost half of this belongs to Thursday Group £1,089.09; Other Groups £1,382.32; "Lion, Witch and Wardrobe" show £193.50 and Alice's Police Museum trip £599.00. This totals to £3,263.91. (all that's in the current account plus £485.89 from the savings account). This leaves £4,675.20 for core U3A.
5. Alice Shaw has been in contact with "Greatdays Holidays Ltd" by email and after 3 attempts they answered. The gist of the reply was that the company will not refund any of the monies paid, £1,377.00, as they have had to pay the hotel £12.00 a head for the March 17th lunch when the group cancelled the original trip on the 16th March. Alice agreed to rearrange the trip for October 13th but now, with Covid19 still a danger, she wants to cancel it fully. The company again have stressed they will not refund any money as, as well as the lunch, they have to pay the guide and The Lads' Club. They have offered to postpone it until next March and have asked her to reconsider giving her to September 15th to decide. If it does go ahead there will be a charge of £12.00 per head for the new lunch unless she wants to remove that from the day.
6. There is £599.00 in the account for this trip which could be refunded to the members who originally paid which would give each about £10-£11. The total cost of the trip with the coach was £37.00 each. Greatdays fee was £27.00 per head. With the lunch at £12.00 each, Greatdays should be giving back about £15.00 per head making a total of about £750 -£780.
7. Alice would like some advice on how to continue the negotiations with Greatdays. She really wants to cancel the trip entirely as she is concerned about the wellbeing and safety of those going, especially as most have been shielding or self - isolating and won't want to be at close quarters with 50+ others on a coach most of the day.

Maureen Brierley