

Minutes of Glossop U3A Committee Meeting – 9th September 2021

- 1) Present – Barbara Connah, Glyn Connah, Chris Blackett, Pam Zuntz, Brigitte Manchee, Maureen Brierley, Jo Mortlock.
- 2) Apologies – Diane Butterworth and Hazel Allman.
- 3) Minutes of the last meeting – Proposed, Maureen Brierley seconded Jo Mortlock that minutes be accepted.
- 4) Matters Arising
 - a. Maureen was too late to get anything from Wains.
 - b. Jack Brierley has helped Diane to get set up on Google database.
 - c. Brigitte has prepared for u3a Day next Thursday, 10am to 12noon
 - d. Brigitte will talk to Janet Donaldson about putting something on the Glossop Facebook page about u3a Day.
 - e. -and Chris will see if we can get a link to our website.
- 5) Correspondence – Third Age newsletter plus latest covid guidelines that weren't much use now that everything is advice only.
- 6) Treasurer's Report - Maureen read out the attached report and presented the summary of accounts and budget forecast plus the yearend figures. The committee agreed that she ask Chris Parrick to verify the accounts again.
- 7) Committee Secretary's Report – Nothing further to report.
- 8) Membership Secretary's Report – In Diane's absence Maureen had dealt with new members at the September Coffee Moring. There were 6 returning members plus 5 new members (of whom 2 had downloaded the application form from the website) making 11 in all. None signed on as temporary members as they all knew which groups they wanted to join. Total fees received, £99.
- 9) Group and Activities Coordinator's Report – Pam has updated the groups list. We now have 24 active groups.

Pam wants to encourage group leaders to put entries on the website about their groups. (eg BC Crochet)

New retirees may be able to help with IT skills.

Pam will miss the GM network Group Coordinators' meeting on zoom.

Hazel is setting up a Board Games group.
- 10) AOB
 - a. AGM
 - i. Subscriptions – The committee voted unanimously to request in increase to £10pa at the AGM.
 - ii. Letter – Glyn has drafted a letter to be sent as an email or print. He will paste it into an email including the proposal to change the constitution. (no attachments) **GC**

Pam will print copies for Diane pending resolution of the printer issue. **PZ**
 - iii. Reports – Glyn has collated reports received though many groups have not been active during the lockdowns. Officers' reports required to be added to the compilation. BC/GC/MB/PZ/DB
 - iv. Printing – Glyn will get 60 copies of the reports, agenda and last year's minutes to hand out at the meeting. **GC**
 - b. Printer – Diane has put in a request for a printer in view of the amount of printing she is required to do. Printers are available at around £50. The committee voted in favour of providing a printer for Diane (6 for, 1abstention) on the basis that it remains the

property of Glossop U3A to be returned when Diane steps down and also that this decision does not set a precedence. Maureen will investigate availability and ask Jack Brierley to help Diane with the installation. MB

- c. Temporary Membership – Glyn proposed that we drop the temporary membership requirement as the original reasons no longer apply and it may be a deterrent to new members. The committee agreed but Pam thought we should retain free trials at group meetings for new members providing Group Leaders agree. Pam will rewrite the ‘Tips for New Members’ and explain the change to Diane. PZ
- d. Coffee Mornings – The room has been booked for the first Thursday of each month up to July 22 from 9am to 12 noon. Meetings start 9.30am. Door schedule TBD. Brigitte will do October.
- e. Committee Meeting Schedule - TBD

Next Meeting Thursday 28th October 2021, 10.00am at Bradbury House.

Glyn Connah

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Treasurer's Report

1. The Summary Account and the Budget Forecast are available for the committee. These are actual to the end of August and the end of 2020-21.
2. The total amount in both bank accounts to the end of August was £9,801.51, of which £6,531.62 is core U3A.
3. I have completed the final annual accounts for 2020-21 - an unexamined copy has been sent for the committee's perusal. I have contacted Chris Parrack re their examination and am waiting for him to confirm a date.

Maureen Brierley