



Membership number 833/801/10

RETFORD U3A COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday 4th July 2023 at 2.00p.m.
At Community Room, Morrisons
MINUTES

Present:

Pippa Ramsay (chair), Bryan Gladstone (vice-chair), Pam Mann (secretary), Pat Lockett (membership secretary, Carol Knowles and Caroline Marsh (group co-ordinators)

Apologies:

Sue Paul (social), Patricia Everitt (Treasurer)

1. Minutes of previous meeting

These were signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

2. Matters arising

The noticeboard in the Co-op had been checked and is still obstructed.

It was Pat Lockett who was looking into the possibility of a Facebook account (June Minutes 8c, and not Patricia Everitt as stated.

3. General Meeting

(a) Amanda Neilson from the National Trust was very well received at the last general meeting and enjoyed the experience of talking to such a large group.

(b) Speaker Finder: Bryan has found someone willing to take on the role as a job share if one other person can be found to help out.

(c) Two speakers have been booked for next year: the Workhouse Players and Bassetlaw Museum on Arts and Heritage.

(d) Bryan offered to take the items for the notice board at the next general meeting as the Secretary will be on holiday.

4. Financial report (see attached)

5. Interest Group report

In order to display the art work of the Watercolour group in the library, they would need to be framed. Otherwise they could be put on the Notice Board at general meetings and also possibly on the website.

6. Newsletter

Any photos for inclusion in the Newsletter should have a short article saying what they are. Groups which need extra members could put an appeal in the Not So Idle Times.

7. Website

- (a) u3a Policies should be put on the Committee page.
- (b) New policies of Equality/Inclusion and Safeguarding will be discussed in September.

8. Publicity

There is to be a u3a week nationwide from 16th to 24th September. What should we do? Suggestions included a Market Stall, coffee morning (possibly with free pens). Carol and Caroline offered to put leaflets into St Michael's Church (which has a weekly coffee morning), Goodwin Hall and Grove Street Methodist Church (which has a weekly lunch club on Thursdays)

9. Communications

Pat Lockett is willing to set up a Facebook page for Retford u3a.

10. Membership update

There are currently 488 members in total, made up of 449 Full Members, 22 Associates and 17 Honoraries.

11. Welfare

No items for discussion.

12. Events

The next Big Night Out will be in October. Comments made after the last one included food being cold by the time it reached the last table to be served and insufficient staff.

13. Any other business

The Inventory is to be put out to all group leaders to see if the items are still required.

14. Date of next meeting

August 1st 2023.

This meeting ended at 4.00p.m.

Signed by

Date:
