

Wigtownshire U3A

Minutes from the Meeting held April 23rd 2020 via Zoom.us

Present: Sue Robb, Gill Hay, Richard McElrea, Moyra Breckenridge, Jim Holt, Lesley Miller.

1>Welcome and apologies. Apologies from Celia Heller.

2.March 20 minutes, and accounts approved and notes from March Zoom meeting agreed.

3.Matters arising.

- TAM magazine – agreed to leave the numbers as they are for now in respect of current crisis so Lesley won't contact Ed Link re this.
- Heather Bailie – need to postpone April meeting – **Lesley to contact Heather.**
- Gift certificate on hold.
- Pauline Todd won't be available for U3A Day in October.
- Speakers and updates for website etc to go to June and be reviewed on a month by month basis.**Sue to contact Celia.Lesley to update web notice with Julie.**
- Funding bid- Richard has written to accept conditions of funding and has sent bid to Julie for info. If we don't use the money if U3A day doesn't go ahead, we will need to return it. Lesley had contacted Ann Barclay regarding the need to work together if it does as it takes place during Book Festival.

4.Reports

Chair

Actions: Sue will write letter from Chair for newsletter,Agreed that we need new website not revamp of Eclipse. May Newsletter to be published by Anne and Les and thereafter we will move to email and Mail Chimp on a more regular basis.Richard will write update on Kilgallioch funding for newsletter. Sue also to email Anne and Les with feedback from the meeting regarding the newsletter.

Vice chair

Gill had met with Les and Anne and discussed the newsletter situation and IT issues and circulated the Committee with feedback. The newsletter was virtually completed with a publication date of end May, with an intro from the Chair and article re Killgallioch funding needed. It had been agreed that this time, the newsletter would be emailed out as a pdf to most people, with a limited number of printed copies being available for those not online. Les had recommended changing web provider as Eclipse were focussing on larger companies.

Treasurer

Accounts for March agreed. Annual return has been paid. No bills outstanding apart from forthcoming TAM one. We had received £100 from the Scottish U3A to support U3A Day. Current bank balance a healthy £4,257. Agreed not to make any subscription concessions at the current time.

Action: Richard to produce a revised budget for the next meeting in view of the current situation as we're not paying for hall hire, speakers etc.

Business Secretary

Lesley had contacted Ann Barclay regarding the need to work together if it does as it takes place during Book Festival.

Sent out an email to facilitators saying we'd held a successful Zoom meeting but no response. Also updates Facebook regularly – now around 25 members and growing.

Groups leaflet, - work ongoing, but stripped back to basics and could be included in mailchimp, monthly email for download.

Membership Secretary

Membership down 28 members compared to last year now standing at 224.

Action: Moyra to establish how many members this involved by contacting the facilitators on this issue in her monthly email, and also asking if there were any concerns to be raised. Agreed regular contact was important. In the future

5. Corona Virus Update – still in lockdown.

6. Next Monthly meeting arrangements – see above under Memsec reports.

7. AOB

8. Date of next meeting

On Zoom 7th May – Lesley to send invitations

9. The meeting closed at 14.58.