

Notes of the Meeting 06.01.17

Group Leaders of Tai Chi, M.T.C. [Tap and Soft Shoe Dancing] and Square Dancing were invited along with their Tutors.

Committee members present: S. Adamson, M.Blackwell, G. Carrick, T. Carrick, J. Dunn, P. Dunn, B. Kavanagh, M. Killin, B. McIntyre, H. Walker.

Committee Apologies: K. Taylor.

Others in Attendance: Anita Grace, Square Dancing group leader.

Margaret read out letters from the other two groups. Both thanked the committee for the invitation but said that they were happy with the independent arrangements they had now made outside the Wolds U3A.

Anita explained the current monetary arrangements the Square Dancing group have with Dave Woollass, its Tutor. i.e. members pay £2 per session and after payment for the room the tutor receives the surplus cash. This varies depending on the number attending each session. She acknowledged that written receipts should be kept for all transactions.

The Committee felt that, as the Tutor is a U3A member, he should only be receiving a fixed weekly amount which covers his expenses. [Travel to and from Hull, 50 miles at 45p per mile would equal £22.50 per session. N.B. Actual mileage unknown at this time.] Any weekly surplus should to be paid into the U3A account and used either when the weekly income is less than the travel expenses or for other occasional group expenses.

A suggestion was made that the Square Dance group members return to paying in advance as previously so that the termly income would be known in advance.

Anita said she would talk this through with Dave and let the Committee know of the outcome. Maureen offered to be present at this meeting but Anita said she was happy to deal with it alone.

A short discussion followed about monthly meeting speakers' fees. An approximate budget of £40 per speaker is allowed. Actual fees vary but they average out over the year and are mostly covered by the income at each meeting.

Anita was thanked for attending and contributing to the meeting. She then left.

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Bill McIntyre then addressed the Committee.

He wanted the Committee to know that, when he retired as Chairman at an AGM over 20 years ago, the then members unanimously made him Honorary Life President and Life Committee Member. This was never written into the Wolds U3A Constitution and so has caused recent confusion over voting rights.

The committee strongly felt that Bill's wisdom and experience is invaluable and he should continue to contribute and vote as long as he wishes to do so. At the next AGM the Constitution

should be amended to reflect his position. It must also be noted in the Constitution that the details of the role would be reconsidered if given to anyone-else in the future.

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A letter had been received from someone from Pateley Bridge wishing to attend the next monthly meeting as she has a particular interest in the subject. There was no objection in her doing so.

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It was noted that the Walking group has a new leader – Steve Whittaker.

THE NEXT FULL COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE ON FRIDAY, 11th FEBRUARY AT 11.00am.