

WOLDS U3A COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd March, 2017

The Committee noted with much regret the death of Founder Member and Honorary President Dr William McIntyre. His practical support and sound advice has been invaluable over many, many years and he will be sadly missed.

1. Present: S. Adamson, M. Blackwell, G. Carrick, T. Carrick, J. Dunn, B. Kavanagh, M. Killin, K. Taylor and H. Walker.
2. Apologies: P. Dunn.
3. Minutes: The minutes of 03.02.17 and 09.02.17 were accepted as a true record.
4. Matters arising:
 - a) 03.02.17 8[iv] The purchase of a second projector stand is on-going.
 - b) Maureen reported that the money from book sales at the monthly meetings will be handed to her to send yearly to our chosen charity.
 - c) There was further discussion about using speakers from charities and charity donations. This area is still unclear.
5. Communications: None were tabled.
6. Membership Report:
 - a) Bill reported that all renewals have been posted and around 60 have already come in. One or two have been returned for the waiver to be signed. Thanks to Keith for including the form and also the flier about the Group Leaders' meeting with the newsletter.
 - b) A member has queried whether, as they are also a member of Bridlington U3A, they should have to pay twice. Bill is to check this and respond.
7. Treasurer's Report:
 - a) Maureen tabled the monthly records.
 - b) Maureen pointed out that, with Bill's death, it will be necessary to make alterations to the Yorkshire Bank Account.
 - c) As stamps are going up at the end of March it was agreed to purchase a large number [800-1,000] before then to in order to save on postage.
8. Beacon System: Before arranging a demonstration of this system it was agreed to investigate a data record system designed by a Swanland U3A member. Bill/Susan to organise this.
9. Gift Aid:
 - a) Maureen explained that each tax-paying Wolds U3A member who agreed to Gift Aid would have to sign the form individually. It was decided to seek out members' response to this - initially at the next monthly meeting.
 - b) The pros and cons of paying the annual subscription by standing order were raised and may be considered in the future.
10. Blue File:

As not all committee members have read this document yet the discussion re interpretation of certain sections was postponed.
11. Paid Tutors:

Little progress has been made with the group concerned.
12. Newsletter Subcommittee:

It was agreed that this is needed. To be raised at the next monthly meeting and at the next Group Leaders' meeting. Gill also expressed an interest.

13. Roles and Responsibilities:

Susan has circulated these. They were accepted with one addition to the Treasurer's role "Liaison with the Group Leaders about financial matters." Keith has produced a 'small' version of the document.

14. Email addresses:

Hilary checked that everyone was receiving their minutes.

15. Committee Procedures and Etiquette:

Postponed to the next meeting.

16. Any Other Business:

- a] A request was made to consider holding committee meetings on a different day/time/place.
- b] A Group Leaders' Meeting has been arranged for Monday, 27th March, at 2pm in the Meeting Room at the Community Centre. Susan, Gill, Toby and Hilary gave their apologies.
- c] It was pointed out that we had agreed to give Group Leaders a list of shared equipment and that someone needs to take responsibility for this equipment. No decision was reached.
- d] [i] The agenda for the 2017 AGM was checked again. The suggested amendment is now no longer needed and should be removed.
[ii] It was agreed to send the minutes of the 2016 AGM to members with the agenda.
[iii] There has been no offer of a volunteer to examine the accounts. If this is still the case after asking at the next monthly meeting it was agreed to pay to have this done professionally.
[iv] Toby is to arrange a light-hearted quiz.

THE NEXT MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE ON FRIDAY, 7th April 2017