

WOLDS U3A

Minutes of a full Committee meeting held in the Community Centre on Friday 5th December 2014.

Present: President Dr. W. McIntyre, Chairman M. Killin, Secretary J. Spear, Membership Secretary S. Adamson, E. Fowler, J. Pickering, T. Pickering, H. Walker.

1. Apologies: A. Dymond, D. Bannister, K. Taylor

2. Minutes of the last committee meeting held on 7th November 2014 were agreed and signed.

3. Matters arising:

The Third Age Trust has confirmed that when a dance/exercise group is led by an unqualified leader they are covered by insurance. She has also had confirmation from all 3 of the paid teachers that they have full insurance in place which covers our members.

TAT do not send out the insurance policy documents only an overview of all policies held.

A neighbouring U3A has confirmed that they pay teachers for 4 groups, which are physical activities, and for health and safety feel it is better to have qualified leaders. They consider the benefits of the exercise outweighs the ethos of not paying teachers and intend to keep their heads down and carry on.

After some discussion it was decided that we would adopt the same attitude.

U3A is a non-profit organisation with these teachers receiving a fixed fee from U3A, whereas at private classes most teachers charge per head, so it was agreed that the rent paid to the Community Centre should remain at the lower non-profit level.

4. Communications.

***TAT letter 19.11.14:** *New style information booklet and application forms for 2015 Summer Schools at Harper Adams Uni, Shropshire and Royal Agricultural Uni. Cirencester.*

The Annual Return and invoice will be combined next year.

The cost of Direct Mail for 2015/16 magazine will be advised.

* New advice sheet on Cloud Computing.* There are a few diaries remaining.

New print of More Time to Learn due soon.

Anybody interested in applying for the 2015 Great British Bake Off must apply By 11th January.

Y.A.H.R *Letter from Neil Stevens the new Regional Trustee, to the Chairman, introducing himself, offering to come and speak to us, hoping to see us at workshops/meetings/events.*

Ryedale U3A December newsletter.

Email publicising the International Gilbert & Sullivan in Harrogate from 1st - 23rd August 2015.

Items marked * will be put on either our notice board in the foyer or at the monthly meeting, announced at the monthly and included on the next newsletter if within time limit.

5. Membership Report. We have 418 members. 5 new members since last month but we have been notified that 2 members have died. To prevent the families of these 2 members receiving the next magazine Susan asked if she could use the submission window in January, which has to be paid for, to send a new file. This was agreed.

6. Treasurer's Report. Alan provide a printed report.

Following last month's discussion, Alan has obtained prices for replacement bulbs for the projector. It was agreed that he should purchase a direct replacement, not a compatible one, as not all compatible products work when fitted. The possibility of buying a second projector at future date will depend on all present groups which use the projector continuing to run.

Alan will buy 12 boxes (72) of mince pies and will pay for up to 3 boxes for the Film group if there is a surplus. Punch, although not previously mentioned, will be supplied.

Alan suggested increasing the mount given to Rob as a Christmas gift. It was agreed that it should go up to £20 and that the same should be given to Eric.

7. A.O.B.

Arrangements for the December meeting were discussed. It is understood that entertainment is in hand. This will be followed by carol singing with a pianist with the words projected on the screen, both courtesy of gentlemen from the Methodist church. It was agreed that the usual speaker fee of £40 will be given to them for the building fund.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 11.40 a.m.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Friday 2nd January 2015 in the Committee Room at the Community Centre at 09.30 a.m.