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Committee Meeting

1st October 2024

Minutes

Present: Sue McPhee (Acting Chair), Mark Beaumont , Steve Clark, Yvonne Crabtree, Francis Davies, Angela Dixon , Sue Dyson , Chris Watson

1. Apologies for absence: Gwynneth Carmichael , Lynn Quantrill,

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Accepted as a true record.

3. Matters Arising from previous minutes and not covered elsewhere on the Agenda

FD has been unable to contact the local Radio station, based at Springhead Golf and Bowling Club, about the possibility of using their broadcasts for publicising AWAKE u3a . He hopes to do this soon.

The issue of storage of AWAKE documentation held by some Trustees, both in paper form and online, was discussed. Committee Members provided information on what they have and it was agreed that the Committee should retain the information but look at using East Riding Archive for historical information around the startup of AWAKE u3a. SD to catalogue the loose paperwork she has and liaise with CW and FD. SD to send her information to the Committee.

4. Acting Chairman's Report

Margeret Fiddes has been elected as the u3a National Vice Chair. SMc has sent an email out to all AWAKE members to explain the current position with the Committee, including the need to appoint a Chair, and asking for more members to join the Committee, both for specific roles but also for backup for each of the Committee roles. SMc reported that the New Members Coffee morning was a success although not many new members attended as were expected but it was agreed that it would be worth doing regularly .

5. Treasurer's Report

1) Beacon Finance Report up to this date. Statement of accounts given at meeting.

2) August/September amounts of interest Room hire payments in and out.

3) Debit Account. No movement this month.

4) Membership Up to date with renewals

L Quantrill – Treasurer

AD reported there are still issues with signatories for the Bank Account. AD to check with LQ on her return from holiday.

Questions were raised about some of the figures provided by LQ on the 'Statement of Accounts : Current' . The Committee needed to understand the figures for Group Room Hire and Group Support Costs and what they covered.

The Charity Commission require an email address for contact, not a postal address. The Committee agreed that the email address used by the Business Secretary should be provided to the Commission for this purpose as it will stay current whoever is performing that role.

6. Christmas

CW read the script she had obtained for the Committee to consider for the Christmas event. Although a little limited, it was agreed that it could be used as a base for a production with some work required. YC offered to help CW with expanding the script.

7. Membership Secretary

Some additional membership forms were completed at the September General Meeting. SC had a query from a member who hasn't received their Membership card which will be passed to GC

8. Interest Group Co-ordinator's Report

CW has received a request from Rejoo Daniels asking if it would be possible to set up a Slides and Chat Group. CW will contact him for more information before the next Committee meeting.

There is also a possibility of a Beginners Spanish Group either a short 6 week taster course or a full course and a suggestion that the Wine Group may be able to be restarted so CW will investigate.

9. Newsletter

Nothing to report but FD has offered to step in if required due to Steve Roberts recent health issues

10. Website

FD provided some proposed sample pages from the new website and reported that Chris Moody has raised a request about PDF files on the website but the Committee is not sure what is required. It was agreed that FD will try to get more information but also Chris Moody should be asked to attend the next Committee meeting to do a presentation on the new website. FD to speak to CM.

11. Speaker Finder

SMc has started booking speakers for 2025
January - Paul Schofield
February – Tophill Low
March – STAND
April -Easter Celebration
May -American First Ladies
June - AGM
July – Centeria lady hires a topless waiter
August – u3a celebration
September – Beckside in Beverley
October – Mission to Seamen
November – Rhythm and Rhyme with time for a song

12. Beacon

CW still dealing with some handover issues .

13. Health and Safety

SC has completed a form for one of our members for a medical emergency which happened at the General Meeting on 18th September although this was not an accident but a known health issue.

14. Any Other Business

AD is waiting for a form for the Charity Commission from LQ, who is currently on holiday .
Charity Commission is to be added to the Agenda for future meetings.
SMc reminded the meeting about an event being held at 7pm on Saturday 5th October at Anlaby Village Hall. This is not a u3a event but some of our members are taking part in it to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Tickets are £4.
A social event , Doctor Jive , has been arranged for 7pm on Saturday 23rd November at St Andrews Memorial Hal . cost of £6

15. Date, Venue and time of Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be held at 10am on Tuesday 5th November 2024, at Willerby Institute, Main Street, Willerby

Meeting closed at 11:25

Signed by ………………………………………………….. Date……………………