

AUGHTON & ORMSKIRK U3A

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING TUESDAY 19th February 2013

Present:- Dorothy Harrison (Chairman) Bernie Handford (Vice Chairman) Chris Jones (Treasurer) Norma Seddon, Beth Blamires, Pauline Jones, Jeff Roberts (Chair of Trustees) Ted Morrell(Trustee), Willem Wiechers, Bill Evans, Edna Lally, David Blanchflower, Ian Haskell

1.Welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting .

2 Apologies, Wendy Craddock, Alex McMinn, Margery Sargeant, Paul Thompson, Andrew Beeston

3 Minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record

4 Matters arising None

5 Chairman's Matters , Chris Jones, Ian Haskell and David Blanchflower are the elected representatives from the Executive to represent this Committee as Trustees. A written request from Alex, to hold a copy of A&O U3A Data Base was refused by a majority vote. Willem will write formally to Alex re the decision. Jeff had made a verbal request for a copy of the Data Base, this needs to be in written form.

6 Trustees, JR& TM presented 2 Options re the new TAT Model Constitution

1 If the new model Constitution is to be adopted then the Executive would become the Trustees

2 If there is a decision to continue with a separate Board of Trustees then an application will need to be made to modify the Model Constitution. Discussion on the two options is to be an Agenda Item at the next meeting of the Executive. Information re the above had already been circulated prior to this meeting.

7 TAT Code of Conduct and Grievance Procedures, this was deferred to next meeting

8 The AGM will be held on the 9th May 2013 at 10.30 in Christ Church, coffee/tea will be available from 9.30. Two members of the Executive will be "standing down " ,Edna Lally and Margery Sargeant. Due to the sad death of Ann Snell In 2012, there will be an extra position on the Executive. Standing for re-election are Wendy Craddock, Pauline Jones and Willem Wiechers. Information re the Election needs posting in the Magazine via Bill, emails needs circulating to Group Leaders. Flyers re the AGM and Elections need to be circulated at Horizons .Dorothy will contact Wendy re nomination forms etc

9 Treasurer's Report .Chris reported that the C/A stands at £3871.62, Dep/A at £17075.83 the Bond at £10,000 and Groups at £31.416.

10 Membership Secretary, Ian submitted the figures below:-

	2012-2013	2011-2012
New members joined since last exec meeting	30	
Last member number	3414	
Current members	1891	1813
Members paid	1900	1823
Subscription income 2012-13	£28,010	
Members for 2013-2014	48	
Subscription income 2013-14	£720	

11 Data protection request for list, please see item 5

12 Committees

Publicity, the 10th Anniversary Events needed publicising .Bill requested features be forwarded to him as soon as possible and not just carbon copies of previous submissions .

Willem requested that there should be no additional e-mails sent out re meetings /events, ie no emails other than the agreed official emails should be sent out between Magazine publications.

10th Anniversary /Social Committee, planning for all events was progressing and there is to be a meeting on 25 March where issues re publicity will be addressed.

Finance/Resources, Bernie had looked into a concern of one of the members re the audio links /sound system in the S&GHQ everything is working effectively.

Group Support, David informed the Committee that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 Jan had been circulated. There is to be a meeting of Group Leaders on the 10th May this will be a Cheese and Wine Evening

David will compile a list of subjects for discussion and requested that committee members supply him with any issues of concern.

H.E.O.G, Dorothy reported that 30 members of the Group had attended a film and afternoon tea, 7 more events were being planned.

Speaker Meetings, Speakers have been booked until the end of November.

13 Secretary's Matters, as Wendy was not present at the Meeting no report was given.

NW Region, New U3As have been formed in Aintree and the Isle of Man . There is interest in re-forming the Wigan U3A. The Memory Course Seminar will be held in mid March to cover NWU3As running their own courses .A "Trustee" Seminar will be held in Penrith. A "Singing Day" will be held in Heswall, organised by our local Network. The AGM of the NWREG will be held in Chester Cathedral in May, along with a festival to celebrate the activities of the U3A movement. The NW Summer School will be held in late August in Penrith. The Speaker from English Heritage at February's Speaker Meeting was interested in the concept of the Shared Learning Projects with U3As around the North West.

SWLancs Network – no meeting

AOB re closure of Horizons Coffee Mornings on Speaker Meeting Days, Chris was concerned with those members who with much personal effort like to come to coffee mornings at Horizons. Dorothy, for the foreseeable future, is to continue closing Horizons on Speaker Meeting Days

Ian is to continue his monitoring of the subscription payment of members, David will ask Group Leaders (at the May meeting) to check membership cards for the months of June and July.

The meeting closed at 12

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 19th MARCH AT 9.30 AM IN THE S&GHQ