Aughton & Ormskirk U3A Executive Committee Meeting

20th September 2011

Present:- Jeff Roberts (Chairman), Dorothy Harrison (Vice-Chairman) Wendy Craddock (Secretary) Bernie Handford, Bill Evans, Edna Lally, Anne Snell, Margery Sargent, Ann Haskell, Pauline Jones, Norma Seddon(Minutes) Lily Bunner, June Pardy

Apologies Willem Wiechers, Pat McKenzie, Chris Jones, David Blanchflower, Beth Blamires

Welcome:- The chairman Jeff Roberts welcomed everyone to the meeting and had apologies from the above.

An Informal Meeting:- was held on Tuesday 23rd August 2011 to discuss amongst others:-

New Members Afternoon Friday 30th September:- the catering tea/coffee/cakes & biscuits will be organised by Lily and June, the questionnaire will be as previously designed, rolling publicity items on the TV screen with flyers on the tables.

Group Support Coffee Morning Wednesday 2nd November 2011:-details as above, content details yet to be finalised.

Dorothy Harrison thanked Lily and June for their help. At this point they left the meeting

- 1. Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.
- 2. Matters Arising:-
 - Race on Line 2012 –article in the Magazine Willem is taking this forward.
 - Speaker Meetings- Tessa Jowell is confirmed as speaker for the November meeting.
 - Memory Team will present a seminar at Doncaster on 20th October 2011
- 3. Treasurer:- No report
- **4. Membership Secretary:** the next issue number is 3037 an increase of 49 members.
- 5. Committees:-

Group Support: - A News Bulletin has been designed. Groups with low attendance figures discussed..

Resources:-A grant application for £4.5K for equipment has been applied for from Tesco. Details of grant monies were discussed. The Executive requested a report on all grants received, how spent, time limits.

Publicity: Meeting this Friday. Distribution of 1306 magazines with 850 collected equates to 65.2% .The press release was without reference to the Publicity Committee, a much bigger press release had been planned. The new Magazine, design of flyer leaflets and the new bookmark were discussed with differing opinions.

Social:-meeting next week. The sales of Diaries, tickets for the Murder Mystery evening are going well. The problems with the Horizon rotas were discussed.

H.E.O.G. Wednesday 5th October taking 16 members on trip to Iron Men at Crosby followed by afternoon tea at Lady Green. They have received the 1st phone call for help to get to a group.

- 6. New Members Afternoon Tea: details as above
- 7. Group Leaders Coffee Morning:- as above
- 8. Trustees No meeting
- **9. Secretary's mailing:-** none received from TAT. Mawdesley U3A have invited us to a Speaker Meeting on Wednesday 27th September at 7pm. On Wednesday 5th October we are invited to Burscough Arts Centre to view facilities.
- **10. Speakers Meetings**:- booked until March. Members of the Executive would be happy to help with Speakers Meetings. The Secretary was asked to contact Kevin Duckworth re his email for various talks.
- 11. 2012 Race on Line previously dealt with
- 12. 2013 our 10th Birthday year is under Dorothy Harrison's remit.

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Website- Margaret would like copy to her as well to Magazine Editor

South Lancs Network:-Website being set up requested A&O to fund for 1st year & renewed annually.Ted Morrell will be Chairman for one year.

Parking problems:-Under threat of double yellow lines on-going issue

Meeting closed at 11.30

Next Meeting Tuesday 18th October 9.30 at the S&G HQ