

AUGHTON & ORMSKIRK U3A
MINUTES OF TRUSTEE MEETING
Monday 23rd September, 2019 at 10.00 a.m. in The Ministry Centre.

PRESENT - Pauline Jones (Chair) Sue Watkinson Mia Faza Allan Starkie Derrick Fewings
Megan Tomlinson

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies – none

Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting 10.06.19 were approved as a true and accurate copy.

Matters Arising

The article in the Magazine concerning holidays was well received and gave clear advice to the membership.

After some discussion, it was agreed to publish the minutes of Trustee meetings on the web page after approval at the following meeting.

Correspondence - none

Treasurer's Report

The meeting noted the analyses that the Treasurer has provided on the cost of hiring premises, receipts from members' session fees and the downward trend in account balances.

The meeting also noted the Treasurer's views on the appropriate bank balance to be held as reserves. The meeting agreed that the subject of session fees, membership subscription and reserve funds should be covered at the next AGM. Also, the status and the management view on the way forward should be communicated to the membership, in advance of the AGM, in a magazine article.

Report from MC

AS advised that instead of Sub-Committees sending all minutes and documents to MC meetings they had been asked to report directly at the meeting. Reports etc., could be sent if they were unavailable and this had proved better time usage at meetings. If Committee members required a copy of the F & R log then DF would send via e.mail.

Discussion took place on Magazine postage costs/delivery volunteers and general costs.

Magazine cost £7000 p.a. and postage £2000 p.a. SW to organise Working Party to discuss all aspects of this and report back. First priority distribution of next Magazine.

A.O.B.

PJ reminded Committee that we have only three elected Trustees and new Trustees cannot be co-opted but only elected at the AGM, also members are hesitant to come forward. Therefore it was suggested that we revert back to the combined Executive Committee profile merging the Management Committee with the Trustee Committee. Also the six year rule prohibiting

anyone from remaining a Trustee for a longer period may be looked into. MT to ask Ian Grant to look at the Constitution with a view to allowing this to happen and what constraints, if any, there may be.

It was agreed to hold a 'Member's Forum' at Horizons on Thursday 23rd January, 2020 from 10.30 a.m. MT to advise Magazine/e.news/Web page.

Date of next meeting – Monday 9th December, 2019 10.00 a.m. in The Ministry Centre.