HUCKNALL & DISTRICT U3A MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 10AM ON 5th DECEMBER AT THE JOHN GODBER CENTRE

Present:

Barry Saunders Chairman

Mark Jackson Business Secretary

David Rose Short Course Co-ordinator Siobhan Lee Groups Co-ordinator

Christine Berrill Treasurer

Marguerite Hodkinson Membership Secretary

Angela Cornish Webmaster Philip Attenborough Equipment

Margaret Huckerby Speaker's Secretary
Dianne White Co-opted Member
Diane Heenan Co-opted Member

1. **Apologies –** Sandra Green

2. **Minutes of previous meeting** were signed after a slight amendment regarding Inclusion Workshop.

3. Arising from last meeting,

Inclusion Workshop 30 October - Marguerite Hodkinson and Mark Jackson had attended this Workshop where it was agreed that whilst the U3A should be as accommodating as possible of members with mental or physical needs, the U3A is not a second Social Service.

4. Previous monthly meeting

- a. A bereavement card was sent by Christine Berrill to Mrs Sally Hill following her sad loss.
- b. It is a possibility that Albert Briggs may step down from Fire Officer due to ill health.

5. **Groups Coordinator**

- a. David Rose has been in touch with Phillipa Eaton from Guide Dogs Nottingham for a talk on their work and how people can volunteer for Dogs to be trained. We are looking for a date in February or early March.
- b. David has been in touch with the Dementia lady, as the last meeting was very successful.
- c. David will be putting information in the Newsletter and website in January regarding a 3 session course on Notts based Films and Authors
- d. David is selling U3A mugs and calendars at the December meeting.

6. Speaker's Secretary

- a. 14 November Fools Gold Acoustic was very good.
- b. After the Show Case on Wednesday Siobhan Lee thinks it may have done its role and to be discussed as a later date.
- c. Ashfield have set up a Kurling Group, and were now buying their own equipment.
- **d.** Maggie Huckerby intends to resign as Speaker Secretary as from April 2020 and will also consider her future as a Committee member.

7. Social Events

Christmas Social Lunch went very well; everyone enjoyed the meal and entertainment.

Christmas Tree is in the Church, done by Creative Writing and very impressive.

8. Webmaster

Nothing to report.

9. Accounts

Christine Berrill said the accounts were all in order with no problems A budget meeting has been arranged for 6th February extending the Committee meeting.

10. **Equipment**

- a. Barrie Saunders has been in discussion with the Social Sub-Committee regarding the proposal for the purchase of an extra sound system; the Committee agreed to pay half of the cost along with the Social Committee, but would still like to see it in operation next month.
- b. The Committee has agreed to purchase Angela's projector for £100.00 to be used as a backup.

10. **Membership Secretary**

Marguerite Hodkinson said that people were turning up to different groups who were not members; no-one was asking for membership cards. Marguerite to bring up the subject at the January general meeting Beacon will show who are not members. Prospective members will not show on Beacon.

A copy of the latest database, showing new members, will not be sent to the committee as of 14th December 2018; they will have to check Beacon under recent members and sort by date for new members

The new membership cards have been received from the printers, it was not possible to have the cards printed from Beacon onto cards from the printers that would show the names and addresses. We hope to do it ourselves next year.

11. Business Secretary

Mark Jackson had held another Beacon Workshop. Mark said that some information has not been made available from Group Leaders with which to populate Beacon and this needs addressing. Phil Attenborough thanked Mark for the workshop and said it was very informative.

12. Any other business

Phil Attenborough suggested we fund the individual groups for rehearsal etc. instead of the groups paying.

14. **Date and Time of next meeting** 2nd January 2019 at 10am in the John Godber Centre. The meeting closed at 11.30 am.