

HUCKNALL & DISTRICT U3A
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 10AM
ON 6th FEBRUARY AT THE JOHN GODBER CENTRE

Present:

Barry Saunders	Chairman
Sandra Green	Minutes Secretary
Mark Jackson	Business Secretary
David Rose	Short Course Co-ordinator
Siobhan Lee	Groups Co-ordinator
Marguerite Hodgkinson	Membership Secretary
Philip Attenborough	Equipment
Dianne White	Co-opted Member
Angela Cornish	Webmaster

1. Apologies – Diane Heenan, Christine Berrill and Maggie Huckerby

2. Minutes of previous meeting were approved and signed.

3. Previous monthly meeting –

- a. Speaker William French “The Butler” did not turn up and a later email said he had had “emergency knee surgery”. Maureen Newton gave a very interesting talk on local history at very short notice and the audience much appreciated her talk. The speaker’s fee had been given to Maureen for one of her local history projects.
- b. Dianne White confirmed she was now collecting and bringing the Newsletters to the meeting.
- c. It was reported that a member had had a fall in the corridor, resulting in a broken shoulder for which she received hospital treatment. Barrie Saunders had thanked the Leisure Centre first aiders for their help and flowers had been sent to the member, Gina Ashurst. Sandra Green had sent in an accident report to Barrie for our records. Members to be reminded of safety awareness at meetings.

4. Groups Co-ordinator

- a. Siobhan Lee reported a new group had started with 5 members; the Gilbert & Sullivan Appreciation group, led by Alan Snape
- b. Creative Writing Group were having low membership problems and their information would be circulated to other U3As in the area.
- c. A second French Group had been started by Alan Snape under the leadership of Ann Cottee.

5. Speaker’s Secretary – February’s speaker would be Mark Walsh “Comedian, Musician and Speaker” and he would require a mike and a table.

6. Social Events – There were just a few tickets left for the Irish Night on 16th March.

7. Social Sub.Committee Minutes – These had been circulated.

8. Webmaster – Angela Cornish reported there were no problems apart from the News list limiting reports in number.

9. Accounts

- a. Christine Berrill had circulated the latest accounts
- b. Groups to be reminded again in the newsletter that funds may be available for equipment etc and to contact Groups Co-ordinator Siobhan Lee. Sandra Green informed the Committee that the Music for Pleasure Group (whose leader John Peters recently died) wished to continue and she asked if they could perhaps be given funds for a CD player for this purpose. She thought that Mary Wilson would be happy to be the Group Organiser and host the meetings at her home. Agreed. Siobhan Lee and Phil Attenborough to contact Mary Wilson.
- c. Christine had reported that the accounts would be passed to Geoff Cree for verification.

10.Equipment -

- a. Phil Attenborough reported that only four lapel mikes (discussed at the last meeting) could be supported by our existing equipment.
- b. Unfortunately the Leisure Centre equipment in the Studio could not be made available to us.
- c. The equipment demonstration suggested by the Ukulele Group would be taking place in March, either 11th or 25th.
- d. History Group – Maureen Newton had purchased the personal voice amplifier.

11.Short Courses Co-ordinator

- a. David Rose confirmed that 30 names have been taken for the film discussion short course in February, March and April.
- b. The remainder of the 2019 calendars would be left on a table asking for a donation.
- c. The talk on Guide Dogs would take place on 28th February

12.Membership Secretary

- a. The membership renewal forms format was discussed and clarified. These would either be emailed to members or posted to those with no email addresses or printers. It was felt next year renewal letters should be posted to all members. AGM letter would also go out with the renewal letters, along with the small information leaflet.
- b. Non-renewal members would be contacted by Marguerite Hodgkinson but invitations to prospective new members would not be contacted by her a second time.
- c. Marguerite and Mark Jackson explained that there are four types of membership as follows:

1. Current, pays the full subscription and can attend meetings, vote at the AGM and attend the social events
2. Associate members who are members of another U3A but pay for membership minus £3.50 for the TAT and are entitled to all of 1.
3. Affiliated members who are members of another U3A but do not pay anything towards Hucknall U3A and cannot attend meetings, vote at the AGM or attend social events.
4. Potential members who have not yet joined.

10. Business Secretary

Mark Jackson updated the meeting on the Beacon system.

- 11.** A short Budget Planning discussion then took place and a draft Budget agreed.

Date and Time of next meeting - 6th March, 2019 at 10am in the John Godber Centre. The meeting closed at 12 noon.