

Monday, 1 April 2019

Minutes of Blackbourne U3A Committee held on 1st April, 2019 at New Green Centre.

The committee meeting followed a viewing of the new website by Spi-Des-ign which was well attended by Interest Group Convenors.

Present: Peter Lester (Chairman), John Light (Vice Chairman), Jane Storey (Treasurer), Teri Carpenter (Membership Secretary), Helen Taylor (Secretary), Di Finney (Names Registrar and Newsletter Distributor), Alan Crouch (Lecture Secretary), Andrew Adams, Sallie Crouch, and Maureen Morris.
Apologies Elizabeth Morgan (Interest Group Co-ordinator) and Lynda Heywood.

Chairman: Peter noted that in Sept BU3A is 25 years old. Following discussion it was agreed that Charlie Haylock's talk in December would be a good opportunity to add to the refreshments to celebrate this event. Tickets would be made available from October. Alan to contact Mr Haylock to invite him to stay after his talk.

Treasurer: Jane is organising mandate for change of signature on cheques. She will be available for signing cheques after May's lecture.

Secretary: The Annual Return completed for Third Age Trust. New Green Centre Hire agreement signed.

Lecture Secretary: News items welcomed for web site to feature on front page. Plan to have new web site up and running by end of month.

Membership Secretary: 589 members with 26 waiting to be added. July was agreed to be best time for opening the waiting list. (Some members may not re-new membership) £10 is subscription fee regardless of month when joined.

Interest Group Co-ordinator: Elizabeth Morgan has suggested an informal coffee shop meeting at Thurst Cafe. This was welcomed by committee as a good venue especially for new members. Elizabeth to arrange date and helpers. German conversation (Lynda Heywood) and any new groups to be featured on new web site.

Names Registrar and Newsletter Distributor: Stephanie Lester and Mary Dunbavin have kindly offered to help register members in Di's absence next month.

Any Other Business: microphone update to be installed. John Light to check choice of system.

Suffolk and District Network is meeting in Hadleigh 10th May, Helen and Sallie to attend.

25th Oct BU3A will be hosting SADN -Helen to book venue and catering.

Teri Carpenter reminded us that we need to check our data protection policy is up to date at the next committee meeting.

Date of next committee meeting 3rd June 2019