

Hornsea & District u3a Committee Meeting

Tuesday 27th July 2021, 10.30am

23, Tranmere Park, Hornsea

Present: Jane Hardman – Chair, Hazel Adamson – Vice-Chair, Groups Co-ordinator and Joint Speaker Seeker, Sue Gray – Secretary, Ken Hooper – Communications Officer and Acting Treasurer, Paule Senior – Membership Secretary, Barbara Cowan – Welfare Officer, Brian Clarvis – Joint Speaker – Seeker, Suzanne Keam – Committee Member

1. Apologies: Rita Bremer

2. Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 29th June

The minutes were accepted and will be signed, filed and a copy added to the website.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

8.3) Hazel has sent a group list by email to Sue but she is having difficulty opening it. A hard copy was supplied.

4. Organisation of opening up meeting on August 3rd.

a) We have 19 groups.

b) Paule needs 2 large tables for membership. Also one for the signing in table which Sue will be at. She has a list of people for whom she has prepared membership cards which will be given out as people sign in. There will also be a sheet for car owners to record their registration numbers if they are staying more than 3 hours at the Floral Hall.

- c) After discussion it was agreed that tables will be arranged “Cinema Club” style in the main hall so members can socialise. Group tables will be round the edges. The refreshment tables will be in their usual place near the bar.
- d) Ken suggested John might play some piped 60’s type music as finances will not stretch to us paying for a musician.
- e) He also suggested putting our sandwich board at the front of the Floral Hall where it might catch some passing trade.
- f) Jane will ask John Whittle, as Town Crier who incidentally wears u3a colours of blue and yellow if he would advertise our meeting on the sea front.
- g) A raffle was suggested but consensus was that these were best left for special occasions.
- h) Hazel suggested that we should leave the doors open to attract passers by.
- i) Masks. We prefer people to wear them, but this is a personal decision.

Action: Jane will take our plan to John at the Floral Hall.

5. Chair’s Report

- a) Jane and Sue attended the YAHR Zoom workshop on “alternative ways of working”.
- b) Jane has applied for a “Do it for East Yorkshire” Community Grant. Sue thanked her for her hard work on this.
- c) The Community News will be out before our meeting on Tuesday and our opening up has been highlighted in the paper.

6. Treasurer’s Report

- a) Our finances will be in a good state if we get the grant. Not so if we do not.

We owe the theatre group a considerable sum. Next week's opening meeting should bring in some money.

- b) Paule pointed out that the membership subscription will go back to £15 from next April.
- c) She suggested we could sell some of our superfluous laptops.
- d) Jane said that we really do need a permanent treasurer.

7. Secretary's Report

- a) The 2020-21 AGM was discussed. It was decided to hold it at the beginning of the November monthly meeting.
- b) Sue had received a message from the local branch of the Royal British Legion asking whether we would like to order a wreath for Remembrance Sunday as we have in previous years. It was agreed that we would.
- c) A message had been received asking whether we would be able to provide a link to a US Mesothelioma (asbestosis) website. We decided against this.

Action: Sue will let the sender know our decision.

8. Communications Officer's Report

- a) Ken has altered the Group pages on the website to say if a Group is suspended owing to a lack of a group contact and has also asked if anyone is willing to take over.
- b) Sue asked if Ken would buy some more printer ink. Ken thinks our financial situation will not allow for this at present.

9. Group Co-ordinator's Report

- a) Three of the group contacts will not be at the meeting on Tuesday.

10. Membership Secretary's Report

- a) More cheques for membership have been passed to Ken.
- b) Paule has prepared an alphabetical list of members one for herself and one for Sue at the signing in table next Tuesday.
- c) Sue will give out membership cards at the signing in table.
- d) An application form and an emergency contact card will be given out to people joining at the meeting. Some refunds for over payment of the membership fee will also be given.

Action: Paule will give Sue a hard copy list of members.

11. Speaker Seeker's Report

- a) Speakers for next year are being organised. The Ad Hoc singers who will perform at our December meeting are in rehearsal.
- b) Barbara mentioned that she knows someone who could give a talk on Hedon.

12. Welfare Officer's Report

- a) Barbara has organised thank you cards for the outgoing group contacts. She will pass them to Jane to write a personal message in each.
- b) She has organised two members to look after refreshments at next Tuesday's meeting.

13. Any other business

Brian asked that the speaker and anyone who wished to speak should be at front before the monthly meeting starts.

He also asked that the clearing of cups and saucers should not be done while the speaker is talking. Jane agreed.

14. Next Meeting

Tuesday 31st August, 10.30am at Jane's home – 23, Tranmere Park, Hornsea

The meeting ended at 12.10pm