

ANTON U3A

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 13th June 2018 at 4pm in Burghclere Down Hall, Andover

42 members were in attendance

1. Apologies for absence

Anne Bray, Pauline Broad, Ron & Norma Bryan, Alan & Barbara Dixon, Judith Hancke, Brenda & David Hazell, Janet Hesketh, Robert Kemp, Brenda Kitchen, Bob & June Leishman, Richard & Marion Marriott, Gilly Roberts, Jack & Joan Taylor, Adrian Truss, David Weston

2. Minutes of the AGM held on Wednesday 14 June 2017

Acceptance was proposed by Tricia Andrews, seconded by Judi Weston and agreed unanimously

3. Minutes of the Special GM held on 8 November 2017

Acceptance was proposed by John Clark, seconded by Stephanie Cox and agreed unanimously

4. Chairman's Report

In her report, which had been sent to all members, Lynda Stockings looked back over an interesting and busy year. Although membership had grown to 155, Burghclere Down Hall still provided a comfortable venue for main meetings and she thanked Ron Bryan for arranging the varied programme that members had enjoyed.

Touching on the activities of each of the seventeen Interest Groups, she thanked group leaders for the tremendous amount of work they did to provide this important element of Anton U3A. The Newsletter and the Website were key to providing existing and prospective members with information about everything that was going on and she thanked Tricia Andrews and Robert Smith for the quality of what they had provided over the year.

She thanked all the members of the Committee for their work during the year to keep finances healthy and every aspect of the U3A running smoothly. She had particularly appreciated the support of Vice-Chairman Pete Duncan who had superbly deputised for her, sometimes at a moment's notice, and wished him every success if, later in the meeting, he was elected as Chairman.

In concluding her report, she said what a pleasure it had been to have had the help and support of members during her time in the Chair.

5. Adoption of Accounts

Genny Cowling presented the accounts for the year ending 31 March 2018. Recent clarification by the Charity Commission that all U3A monies were charitable funds had made presentation of the accounts simpler for this year. For the next financial year the accounts would be more complex because Interest Group monies would have to be incorporated.

In response to a question, she explained that the accounts presented were a summary of receipts and payments over the year. If more detail was requested on any aspect of the accounts, this could easily be provided from the records held by the Treasurer.

In conclusion, she drew attention to the additional funding available to Anton U3A through Gift Aid. She urged members who had not already done so to complete the appropriate forms which she could provide.

Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Pete Duncan, seconded by Paul Welch and agreed unanimously

The Treasurer was thanked for her work during the year.

6. Election of Committee and Officers

1. Chair

Pete Duncan was proposed by Clive Ward, seconded Jean Roberts and elected unanimously

At this point, Pete Duncan took over chairmanship of the meeting.

2. Vice-Chair

Stephanie Cox was proposed by Lynda Stockings, seconded Leslie Ward and elected unanimously

3. Treasurer

Genny Cowling was proposed Lynda Stockings, seconded Pete Duncan and elected unanimously

4. Secretary

Clive Ward was proposed by Pete Duncan, seconded Graham Price and elected unanimously

5. Committee members

Ron Bryan was proposed by Erica Tinsley, seconded by Brenda Mole
Barbara Dixon was proposed by Mary Taylor, seconded by Brenda Mole
Annie Lowing was proposed by Lynda Stockings, seconded by Judi Weston
Jean Roberts was proposed by Lynda Stockings, seconded by Judi Weston
Mary Taylor was proposed by Erica Tinsley, seconded by Stephanie Cox
Tessa Cross was proposed by Pete Duncan, seconded by Stephanie Cross

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Pete Duncan thanked David Weston for being the Accounts Examiner for Anton U3A over a number of years. A new Accounts Examiner was needed to examine the accounts at the end of the year and the Committee was seeking approval for the appointment of Bob Taylor. That approval was given unanimously.

6. Motion to amend the Constitution

On behalf of the Committee and in accordance Charity Commission guidance, it was proposed by Lynda Stockings and seconded by Pete Duncan that Clause 3 of the Anton U3A constitution be amended to read:

3. Object: The advancement of education and, in particular, the education of older people and those who are retired from full time work by all means, including associated activities conducive to learning and personal development.

The motion was carried unanimously - 42 votes for, 0 votes against and 0 abstentions.

7. Any other business

On behalf of the membership, Pete Duncan thanked Lynda Stockings for her contribution to Anton U3A during the 3 years she had been in the Chair. That was approved with acclamation.

The meeting closed at 4.35pm.