

U3A Committee

Minutes of meeting 10.00am, 16 Nov 2021 at 6 Seville Place, Richmond

Present:

David T (chair), Bill, Allison, Anne, Nan, Trevor, Steven, Wendy, Paul, Gordon,

Apologies: Andrew, David W.

Minutes of last meeting

Moved Nan/Steve — Approved.

Matters arising – not covered under separate heading below-

Microphone purchase – Due lack of response from Beggs Music and the uncertainty at Elim centre for meetings, it was agreed this purchase be put on hold.

Sale of computer and projector – Paul explored the possibility of selling to Probus but has not heard back.

Convenors contact email be listing on website – Following discussion it was agreed to remain with the status quo, because of possible privacy problems together with the loss of group control for the group coordinator.

Subscriptions relief for year 2022/2023 – Following a second year where several general meetings were cancelled due to covid, it was agreed that financial member subscriptions paid for 2021-22 be rolled over to cover 2022-23 year. New members would still be required to pay.

Correspondence

A letter was received from Bernie White Third Age Foundation -Wellington offering a resource package for group study. Steven to look into this and report back.

Margaret Long a gardener of distinction from Canterbury has published a Garden Journal which she considered would be of interest to U3A. Wendy to pass this information on to the Garden Group.

The president received expressions of concern from members on U3A reaction to covid unvaccinated people. It was agreed that the president put out a statement on this plus the rollover of fees for year 22/23.

A message was received from a U3A group that Abbas Azari is available as a speaker. It was agreed he would be good, but we could not afford the fees.

Reports –

Financial report –

Treasurer Allison tabled the following financial report for Sept – Oct.

Income:-

Subscriptions	\$60.00
Interest	\$ 0.83

Payments:-

Nil

Balances (Oct 31):-

Cheque A/C	\$10311.35
Term Deposit	\$10446.78

Membership

There were 14 new members since the last committee meeting in July.

Groups-

Steven had nothing of note to report. Some groups continue to meet, others are on hold.

Group convenors thank- you afternoon tea arranged for Summerset had covid implementation snags. It was decided that Wendy and Anne would investigate HappyZ as an alternative venue. A separate event was also to be arranged at the same site for new members.

Publicity /Communication–

Nan reported getting a notice in Mud-cakes and Roses magazine.

Newsletter –

Trevor has a limited amount of material for the next newsletter and hence requested contributions. The newsletter would also repeat the message from the president regarding the rollover of subs and

Website-

Nothing to report

Speakers for future meetings –

Gordon reported –

Next General Meeting – Feb 23 David Melville on Godwits

Other Business

Committee membership for year 2020-2023

The president asked committee members to indicate availability to serve for the coming year.

Trevor, Gordon, and David T advised they would be stepping down.

Jenny Pullen has put here name forward as a possible member.

It was agreed that we invite prospective members to a committee meeting before the AGM.

Next Committee meeting Wed Jan 6

Meeting closed at 11.50am

Bill Brett

Secretary

Meeting Dates for 2021