

Minutes of U3A Dénia Committee Meeting Thursday 9th March 2017 – Casa de Cultura

Those present:

Gordon Clifford – President

Christine Whitelock – Vice President

Roger Fell – Treasurer

Mike Blower – Secretary

Pam Rowlinson – Ex Officio

Margaret Jennick – Ex Officio

Apologies:

Len Roper – Ex Officio

Audrey Roper – Ex Officio

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting

1/ Electronic Identity Seal certification for the U3A. The law has changed and clubs and companies now require an official electronic seal in order to transact business. The secretary is to carry out the steps to obtain this certification.

2/ Group Leaders Lunch Venue and organise. It was decided to try for Piton's restaurant and Pam will be going to arrange a date in late March.

3/ The secretary reported that he had paid the u3adenia.org domain bill to GoDaddy for the next two years. Payment for the u3adenia.com domain is due later in September.

4/ The Gardening and Golf groups various leadership problems are now sorted.

5/ The decision that the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary to be bank signatories rather than the whole committee, was made and a letter of the decision delivered to the bank. However we now need to sign various papers at Sabadell bank.

6/ The secretary reported that we have 724 paid up and Honorary members, plus 16 who will pay on their return to Spain later in the year, so 740 members in all. In addition there are 21 new members who have registered but not yet paid. We also have 66 members who have not renewed to date and have been archived.

7/ Jennifer Cunningham has been offering Insurance discounts, but is requesting too much information about members so we will let it rest.

8/ Europa Energy Green Power have offered us €15/U3A Member signing up for a contract. We have put this on the discount area of the website and any money raised to be put in the Children's Home A/C.

9/ Christine now has Speakers until Christmas and is investigating special events for various groups to have speakers at them or at other venues. Also to get group leaders to speak at

Member's meeting to raise awareness of their groups. It was suggested that we approach Anita who runs the Rock Choir to see if they want to become a U3A Dénia group. Christine was given a vote of thanks for all her hard work in getting all these good Speakers organised.

10/ After some discussion it was decided to offer the Fishing Group, something towards their fishing licences.

11/ Racquet Ball subsidy, was paid on 15th April last year so that is when they will get this years payment, Roger to organise.

12/ Any other business.

As our Bridge Group is only for experienced players, the Dénia Bridge club are willing to teach beginners in sessions of about an hour a week, Roger is the contact.

A picnic this year was discussed but no decision taken, suggested in September.

It was suggested that Neil Wetherall might like to be the U3A Dénia representative on the Foreigners Council The secretary to contact him.

There being no more business, the meeting was closed.