Minutes of U3A Dénia Committee Meeting Thursday 8th June 2017 – Casa de Cultura

Those present:

Gordon Clifford – President Christine Whitelock – Vice President

Roger Fell – Treasurer Mike Blower – Secretary

Len Roper – Ex Officio Margaret Jennick – Ex Officio

Audrey Roper – Ex Officio

Apologies:

Pam Rowlinson - Ex Officio

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting

- 1/ Electronic Identity Seal certification for the U3A. The secretary has taken the first steps, paid the €6.12 taxes and requested an initial Certificate from the powers that be in Alicante.
- **2/ Speaker swap,** David Rohl has been exchange with the Rock Choir. It is thought that the referee we had booked for September has disappeared, so Daniel will be invited to speak.
- **3/ Discussion on giving each group some money to reduce the amount we are holding in the bank.** After some discussion it was decided to adopt Pam's suggestion, by email, to make 2018 a free year for existing members but new members would have to pay the normal €6 subscription.
- **4/ Update from Margaret on the progress on the Halloween Ball.** There was a lot of discussion on this point as if there were only 100 people attending the event at the published €32 pp we would make a loss on the event. Margaret is to request a written quotation from the venue stipulating that there would not be any hidden extras such as IVA and Music Licence fee, such as were snuck in last year. It was decided that the U3A would pay €100 for raffle prizes but that it would not be a free raffle as in previous years. The secretary would give the event publicity in the meeting reminder mass email and also again sometime in August. Note the Secretary is away from the 15th to the 27th of August. There will be a cut off as regards minimum numbers, probably 100 and all payments must be in by the end of September.
- 5/ Announcement to the membership regarding the requirement for several new Committee members. The will have to be a campaign for new committee members and officers to be started in the Member's Meeting Reminder mass email. Christine to let the secretary have the form of words by Sunday. We will also try and talk people into doing these jobs as there is a marked preference among the members to do nothing. We need at a minimum a new President, Secretary, Membership Secretary and Webmaster. Whilst the Treasurer would like to give up as well, he has stated he will stay for another year to settle in a new treasurer and a new committee. The secretary will re-write the duties of the secretary, in detail. Also the duties of the Membership Secretary and Webmaster. The U3A webmaster does the day to day stuff on the website but we have a paid back-up in the lady that wrote the software for us for if there are problems.

There being no more business, the meeting was closed.

