

Chester University of the Third Age
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Held at St. Columba's Hall on Tuesday 7th November 2017 at 10.30am.

1. Welcome - The Chairman Bob Davies welcomed everyone and particularly new members. Current membership is 1054, therefore the quorum at 15% of the membership is 159. The attendance at the meeting is 195. The meeting is therefore quorate.
2. Apologies - Gary Nye, Ken Bramham, Andrew Cross, Yvonne Cross, Hilary Whatmough.
3. Approval of the minutes of the last AGM - The minutes of the last AGM had been made available to all prior to the start of the AGM. The Chairman asked if there were any questions relating to these minutes. There being none he asked the motion that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the last AGM. Ken Golby proposed and Bazza Feldman seconded this motion and the minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands. The Chairman then signed off the minutes.
4. Chairman's Report - The text of the Chairman's report for 2016-17 was circulated to all those attending the meeting. It will also be made available on Chester U3A Website. There were no questions relating to the report.
5. Treasurer's Report and Accounts - The Treasurer was unable to attend the meeting but the accounts and the Treasurer's Report for year end 31 August 2017 were circulated in advance to the Committee and was distributed to those present at the meeting. These included a comparison between the 2016 and 2017 accounts. Total income was £24930.51 and total expenditure £21708.91 This gave us an surplus of income over expenditure of £3221.60 and a year end current account bank balance of £11115.00. Richard Morris was thanked for his work auditing the accounts. Acceptance of the accounts as a true record was proposed by Geoffrey Simister and seconded by Christine Robinson. This was approved unanimously by the meeting.
6. Election of Officers and Committee Members.
Officers - Bob Davies and Tim Carley were standing down after serving their two years as Chair and Vice Chair. There was one nomination for the post of Chair, Jenny Carley. She was proposed by Christine Robinson and seconded by Graham Proctor. There was one nomination for the post of Vice Chair, Mal Waite. She was proposed by Steve Hughes and seconded by Graham Proctor. Having served two years Laurence Cole was seeking re-election as Business Secretary. There were no other nominations. He was proposed by Nicolette Richardson and seconded by Marjorie Knight. All the above were elected unanimously by the meeting.

Committee Members - Patricia Gifford was resigning as Membership Secretary and was thanked by the Chairman and the members for her service. There was one nomination for the post of Membership Secretary, Judy Anderton. She was proposed by Susan Williamson and seconded by James Holroyd. She was elected unanimously by the meeting. Standing for committee membership were Liz Flanagan proposed by Shirley Hughes and seconded by Edward Bowyer, Patricia Gifford proposed by Edward Bowyer and seconded by Laurence Cole, Graham Proctor proposed by Susan Proctor and seconded by Mal Waite, and Ken Bramham proposed by John Hammond and seconded by Angela Tindall. All the above were

unanimously approved by the meeting.

7. Proposal of Examiner of Accounts - Our member Richard Morris a Chartered Accountant is willing to continue to do this. Proposed by Godfrey Harrap, seconded by Dave Gibson This was approved unanimously by the meeting.

8. Any Other Business - Jenny Carley thanked Bob Davies and the other committee members for their work during the year. She then gave a brief resume of her role in the U3A starting with her previous roles of Membership Secretary and then Chair of Chester U3A, her role as Chair of Wirral Network Regional Committee and then her role on the National Committee. She is currently a Research Ambassador doing research on Cottonopolis and is also on the International Committee. She hopes members will help and enjoy next year's 25th anniversary of Chester U3A.

9. There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.55am.

A.Tindall
Committee Secretary