

AGM Nov 18th 2019

Present

Alain Williams
Giuseppe Trerotoli
Narinder Basra
Patrick Graydon
Anslem Raymond
Arthur Vered
Beverley RollingS (followed by some dots on the sign in sheet)
Nick Heaven

AGM start 20.28

- 1) No apologies
- 2) Minutes of the last AGM unanimously approved
- 3) Reports

* Chair - NB

New people have been brought to the senate. Had people in the past who committed but had not done anything.

PG & GT have manned the 'phone lines.

Meeting have continued every fortnight. Numbers attending have fluctuated.

The mail list is active & useful..

Publicity has not happened - may do in the future.

* Treasurer - PG

PG started by handing out printed accounts

Treasurer Report

1. Amount in Bank Account as @ 18/11/19 = £589.85
2. Total Income = £8.00 up from £5.00 last year
3. Outgoings constant @ £0.00
4. Library – If anyone interested in doing? Need to agree to run it ongoing and manage lending.
5. Register URL @ £4.99 then £12.00 pa
6. Currently the branch has £0 outgoings and has virtually £0 income. It is able to meet its needs of providing support to members due to provision of location by the pub and Alain hosting the technology aspects. Based on this I see no need to change.
7. Encourage all attendees of group to join FnF to support larger organisation. £39 per annum.
8. Electronic Banking – I don't really see a need to move to this with current level of

transactions (1 last 12 months)

E-banking was discussed. Not worth doing if it meant a change in bank account. AW suspects that the current bank account will allow it, but not dual signatures on electronic transactions. Dual signatures are mandated by the constitution [5(c)] if we want to do this we would need to change this at an EGM.

Should we have our own domain - currently piggy backs off AW's domain. AW to report to the senate about this.

Accounts have been sent to FNF Head Office. Last year's minutes will also be sent - now that they are approved.

4) AW gave a brief review of what the roles of the committee were about and supposed to do.

5) All officers resigned and were promptly re-elected unopposed.

6) AOB

* AV asked if we should have a publicity officer.

PG said that he would ask the list if anyone wanted to do this.

One problem is that many people arrive too late in their separation from their partner - how can we help them to find us earlier ?

AV has started to work on a mobile 'phone app that people might find earlier and give them initial advice.

We should review the web site to see if we have suitable keywords that might match what people search for.

* GT goes to CS meetings which are monthly

AGM ended 8.58