

**MINUTES OF U3A CALPE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT THE SOL IFACH HOTEL**

1. **WELCOME:** The President welcomed the 156 members who signed in to this year's AGM. As this was the AGM there was no speaker today.
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** None.
3. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Letter from Mrs Wallis saying she wished to activate the grievance procedure. Note this matter is now closed.
4. **MINUTES OF LAST YEAR'S AGM:**

Copies were available at the door for those members without internet access and a draft had been put on the website and also emailed to all members. We would not read the minutes unless members wished it - a vote was taken with results indicating that we would not read out the minutes.

Proposed: Sandra Llewellyn

Seconded: Graham Hall

The minutes were therefore accepted and signed by the President.

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

- Our official postbox will remain within Total Postal although this was a matter for General Meetings, not the AGM it was raised for the interest of members.

6. **REPORTS:**

These were read out by the relevant Committee members and are all filed with these minutes for the record:

Treasurer	Edith Watson
Membership	Teressa Pickford
Travel	Penny Brighton / Ellen Mitchell
Groups	Diane Putnam
Social	Janet Bond who also stated we had now booked a venue Venta-la-Chata for the U3A annual dinner and dance
Culture and Publicity	Rod Anderton
President	John did not read out his President's report which had already been put on the website and circulated to members. For those members without internet copies were available at the meeting. The President made special reference to all the help given to him as President and thanked the Committee, Group Leaders and other helpers for their contributions to the running of the U3A. A special thank-you was made to those committee members who were standing down from the committee and they were each presented with a book token.

These reports concluded the first part of the meeting. Anyone wishing to comment was invited to do so in writing to the Committee: no-one had any comments.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- Dates for next year's General Meetings had been arranged with the hotel and would be put on the website, in the next Newsletter and a copy was available here today.
- Subscriptions - after a vote it was agreed that at the Committee's suggestion subs remain at €10 for the year. After a query from a member it was explained that we needed to keep a balance of funds for contingencies and in the opinion of the Treasurer and rest of the Committee our balance was correct.

8. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR: Amparo had audited our General and Travel accounts this year. There were no queries or comments from members.

9. ELECTION OF NEW COMMITTEE:

The following members had been proposed and seconded by persons not on the committee or family and were willing to stand for the various positions in the coming year. The supporting paperwork was available on the stage for members' inspection.

Officers:

President	John Pickford
Vice President	Diane Putnam
Treasurer	Gordon Green
Secretary	Janet Bond

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Groups Coordinator:	Diane Putnam
Sports Coordinator:	Keith Cherry
Travel Treasurer/ Asst U3A Treasurer	Teressa Pickford
Travel Coordinators:	Ellen Mitchell Penelope Brighton
Membership Secretary	Helena Hutchings
Culture and Publicity	Rod Anderton

Where positions were unopposed we previously have had a block vote for all positions. Members were happy by an almost unanimous vote to continue with this proposal for the coming year.

Proposed: David Farmer

Seconded: Mike Warnes

The new committee was introduced to the members.

10. **AOB:**

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

21st January when we would be starting off our General Meeting programme for next year and would include a guest speaker who would present their chosen subject to entertain members.

Date of next year's AGM will be 17th November 2016

Everyone was then invited for a glass of cava and a choice of profiteroles and/or mince pies.

The President wished everyone a great Christmas and Happy New Year and thanked everyone very much for their attendance: the meeting was then officially closed at 11.30

JANET BOND
Secretary U3A Calpe

PROPOSED: David Farmer

SECONDED: John Bridge

SIGNED: John Pickford, President
17 Nov 2016