

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE U3A CALPE HELD AT THE IFACH HOTEL
CALPE ON THURSDAY 20TH JUNE 2019.

THE MEETING OPENED AT 11.00am

The President announced that there is going to be a lunch after the meeting at the Ni Hao Restaurant nearby and please put your name down if you intend to join us. All welcome.

Kerry started her travel report early as there had been a large quantity of money paid in and she needed to get it banked, so had to leave now.

The President explained to us how our local elections had left our representative Carole Saunders out of a job because of the way the voting is counted in Spain and Ana Sala the PP candidate is now our Alcalde (Mayor) and they have a coalition with another party.

The President stated again that she does not intend to stand for re-election in the 2020/2021 elections for President and that a candidate to replace her will be needed at that time.

1. Freda Croasdell had already excused herself from this meeting as she is away at the moment so sent her apologies.

2. The Minutes from the previous General Meeting were taken as read and Wendy Down was the Proposer and Penny Brighton Seconded.

3. Treasurer: Balance in Kutxabank 2740.71€
Petty cash 61.58€
Total 2802.29€

We are up 133.48€ from the previous Meeting in May, despite expenses, mainly due to buoyant new

members and members renewal subscriptions. Note the above total does not include the membership

float of 100€, travel a/c funds, nor new/renewal subscriptions collected today. Recent significant expenditure

120€ for the room hire here today.

Forecast significant pending income/expenditure within the next month: a bill from Jane Godfrey re digital signature issue (amount unknown).

Publicity: David Stockton reported that we have had photos and reports in 3 local papers this week,

EWM, Post and CBN and including mentions over several days on local radio Pure Gold fm. So far this year there have been 22 publishings.

Groups: Pam asked the audience "what do you want to do?" any suggestions for new groups or would

someone like to start a new group? U3a is Learning For Pleasure. Wendy Down an ex-headmistress is

going to start a Book Club and a writing group which will both start in September/October. They are

meant

to be fun, not deadly serious.

Fitness For All Bodies - FAB will be starting in the autumn.

There will be NO JUGS lunches during July or August, meet again in September.

Membership: Dairong reported that she had a very nice visit to her family in China but that she was very happy

to be back here and thanked all her team for all their help in her absence including her husband our Treasurer John Stafford. There are now 749 members, 511 fully paid up, and 2 new members today.

Correspondence: None

4. AOB which has been agreed by Committee that it must be submitted in advance in writing. None.

DATE OF THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS THURSDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER AS ALWAYS AT THE IFACH HOTEL.

Speaker: Pedro Dominguez, Red Cross European Residents Regional Coordinator spoke to us today

and gave a very interesting and informative presentation of all the Red Cross can do for elderly residents

in their own homes with all sorts of emergency call equipment that is now available for very reasonable rates.

These range from emergency call buttons worn round the neck, other types were displayed and including

a service that made your smart phone into a GPS for finding you in an emergency situation and all sorts of wi-fi

apparatus to make the services better able to contact you when you most need it. Pedro deals with all non-Spanish

residents, particularly the British and offered to visit us again if we request it. The President presented him with a gift

and David Stockton took photographs.

The Meeting closed at 11.59am

Marion Fisher (Secretary)