



Minutes of Meeting – Monday, 30th November 2009

Tyne Youth & Community Centre, Chirnside House, Mariners Lane, Tynemouth. NE30 4AT.

MINUTES

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Barrie Braidford (Chairman), Derek Airey, Judith Burgess, Jim Carlin, Graham Marsh and Adrian Woodcock.

Apologies were received from: Alf Brown, Janet Long, Joan Whitney and Brian Wood. Susie Wood had also been invited to join the committee but was unable to attend on this occasion.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

- Barrie Braidford proposed that these minutes be accepted as a true and correct record. Graham Marsh seconded this motion.

3. Matters arising

- The 2 televisions that were requested for Ward 27 have now been purchased and are still on the ward waiting to be mounted.
- Judith apologised as she had forgot to write to Lynne Holt regarding the purchase of 4 electric chairs. She promised to make this a priority.
- It was pointed out to Judith that the date of the next World Games, stated in the newsletter was wrong. The date should read 2011 not 2010 as stated. It was suggested that Graham put a note on the website with the amendment.

4. Games report

- It is planned that there will be 2 'shotgun starts', morning and afternoon, at the 25th Anniversary Golf Tournament on Friday 14th May 2010.
- It is hoped that there will be 2 x 18 teams of 4 and a fee of £150 per team was suggested and agreed.
- Graham asked the committee if he could go ahead and purchase the following:

- Printing of leaflet with rules, information about the FHLTA, booking form etc
 - Roll up display banners etc.
- It was agreed that Graham should go ahead and purchase all that is required.
 - It was suggested that we charge £10 per person for the evening celebration.
 - Graham asked that a 50/50 ratio of tickets be reserved and that a closing date be given for the purchase of tickets.

5. Children's report

- Due to the absence of Janet there was no official children's report but the committee did go on to discuss the following:
- Carol Olley of Transplant Active has written requesting financial assistance for two children to attend 'Transplant Disney', 10th – 14th December 2009 at a cost of £400 each. Due to the short notice of this request this had been discussed and agreed to via email
- Carol has also requested help for 4 children to attend the annual 'Tackers Ski Camp', 13th – 21st March 2010 at a cost of £600 per child.
- The committee felt that before they could make an informed decision about the latter request, a breakdown of the cost of this trip should be given by Carol. Due to the absence of the Treasurer, Joan Whitney, Judith agreed to write to Carol requesting this.

6. Accounts

- Due to the absence of Joan, treasurer, there was no official report.
- Judith told the committee that Joan would be sending off the completed end of year accounts to the accountant within the next few days and asked if anyone has any cheques or expenses could they send them off to Joan immediately

7. Flats

- Derek reported that there has recently been a shortage of towels in the flats.
- The David Lloyd Centre was very willing to loan us some.
- Due to this, Graham was asked to put a note on the website telling everyone to bring their own towels, when using the flats, in future.
- Judith agreed to compile a note, to this effect, and email it to Barrie which would then go in the envelope which the ward hands out with keys.
- Graham agreed to make a page on the website with information about the flats.
- Derek has now got some collecting tins and they are situated on Wards 27 & 27a and the David Lloyd Centre
- Derek went on to inform the committee of a new transplant patient who had donated £3000 but were not aware of our existence so the money had gone to the following:
 - £1,000 to Ward 27
 - £1,000 to Ward 26

- £1,000 to Freeman Hospital

- In view of this it was felt that there should be a publicity campaign.
- Derek showed the committee a folder which is given to all new transplant patients but it does not mention the FHLTA. It was suggested that we make some form of leaflet/letter to be included in this folder. Judith agreed to work on this

8. Newsletter

- Barrie informed the committee that all the newsletters had been sent out.
- Thanks were given to Barrie's grandchildren for their help and hard work.
- Judith informed the committee that Ethicon UK have donated £150 towards the cost of the printing of the newsletters.
- She went on to say that Ethicon had requested our bank details as they wished to send the money via a BACS bank transfer.
- Initially Judith had given these details by telephone but these could not be accepted so she had to send them via email.

9. Any other business

- We have received a request from 'Eggheads' (the quiz programme that goes out each evening on BBC 2) to put a team in.
- Judith went on to say that the next auditions are in Newcastle on Monday, 7th December 2009.
- Although the committee felt that this would be a good idea, not only fun but a good publicity venture, they felt that it was very short notice so Judith agreed to contact them to ask if they have any later auditioning dates.
- The following volunteered to make up a team: Barrie, Judith, Graham, Adrian, Jim. We need a team of 6 to go ahead.
- Adrian agreed to purchase and deliver the Christmas toffees to the appropriate places.

10. Date of the next meeting

Monday, 11th January 2010 at 12.00 (noon)