

SEIL ISLAND COMMUNITY HALL CHARITY

Minutes of Monthly meeting held on Sunday 26th July 2009

Present: Brian Mitchell, John Gordon, Mary Norris, Richard Wesley, Aileen MacFarlane, Janice Mitchell, Sue Croft, Lisa Robinson, Sheila Mitchell, Janice Stewart, Seamus Anderson, Ken Jones, Pat Jones
Community Member: Ronnie Robinson

Apologies: Kim Rowsell, Jim Watson, Chris and Wendy Dugdale, John and Julie Ferris

Minutes of the committee meeting on 28th June 2009 were read and approved. This was proposed by Richard Wesley and seconded by Sheila Mitchell.

Finance

John Gordon presented the summary for July 2009. The bank balance of the development account was £18,813.62

The running account stands at £9,550.09 with income from rents. The Halifax Guaranteed Reserve of £5,126.69 matures on 05/08/09. The Committee agreed to re-invest for a 6 month period.

Hall Lottery

£100 Caroline Curley
£10 Sue Croft
£10 Ruth Gilmour
£10 Ann Campbell

Bookings

Mary Norris reported on the current bookings for August as follows:

Slate Island Trust - Thursday afternoons
Yoga - continues on Mondays
Ceilidh - August 5th and 12th
Some Saturday mornings – private rent for dance practice
Seil Natural History Group - Tuesday 11th August
Craft Fair - Sunday 23rd August
British Legion Sale - Sunday 29th August
Girl Guides starts 31st August
WRI - 1st Tuesday of September
Lunch Club starts 2nd September

Summer Ceilidhi

The first of the four summer ceilidhs has been held and was a successful event. Volunteers are organised to cover the kitchen and door.

Adult Education

To be discussed at next meeting

Car Park Lighting

To be done shortly

Proposed Play Area

On-going

Grounds

Had a work party today - cleared out planted areas of weeds, etc. A work party will continue to meet on the last Sunday of every month until Christmas to continue the work on the outside grounds. A discussion took place regarding the moving of the bund - approx costs were given as £500 - £800.

Sports Store has been cleared and shelved.

Insurance cover - £3000 would be adequate to cover the bowls equipments. £5000 would cover the marquee.

Snagging

It was reported that on the advice of Ronnie Neil, TSL would not get their retention fee of £15,000 until 31st May 2010. This is due to the previous problems faced with the sump and it was felt that a period of time was needed to ensure that everything was working adequately. 50% of Ronnie Neil's fee (£451.09) has been paid. The remainder will be paid on 31st May 2010.

The squeaky floor is to be discussed with Ronnie Neil.

Sports Club/Hall Committee

The Sports Committee had met and have agreed to become a sub-group of the hall. To take this issue further, the Hall Office Bearers and Sports Committee will meet on Monday 27th July at 8.00 pm in the hall.

Outside Events/Acts

Lisa asked the Committee for suitable dates for an opera group to hold an event in the hallpossible dates suggested: late January or February/March time.

St Andrews Ceilidh- end of November

Other Business

It was suggested that some community members attend a First Aid Training Course. Lisa to look into the possible funding options.

Hall Sports Floor - Nick Wesley brought a floor specialist (Kyle Dods) to look at the hall floor, He gave a price for cleaning and lacquering the floor and new badminton lines painted on (rather than strips) £1202.90. This was agreed by the Committee.

Mary Norris is awaiting price for a dry sweeper.

An estimate was given for the shelving of the three storage cupboards in the small hall and the fitting of coat hooks by the kitchen and in the ladies room - cost £240.00. This was agreed by the committee.

Broadband connected - postponed

'How to use the hall' manual - John Gordon has produced and will e-mail it to Hall Committee for feedback.

Alcohol Licence - John to contact A & B Council Licensing Department to enquire about a licence for the hall.

New Issues

Paper Towel Holder - dispenser to be purchased. Mary to get prices for next meeting.

Chopping Boards - To be bought for kitchen

Outside Chairs for decking area - Community Service met with Brian and looked at sample chairs. They will let us know by December 2009 whether they are able to work with us.

'For Argyll' - they are able to provide us with a free website and able to train us on how to set up/run it Richard to contact them to discuss possible dates.

Fire Brigade - A pageing system was discussed which would involve installing a communications unit (about the size of a fridge) within the hall premises and the Fire Service paying a rental fee to the hall. The Fire Service are also wanting to improve the hut and this may involve a larger hut than the current one. Ronnie to liaise with the Fire Service Commander.

Beechgrove Garden - Kim, Ronnie, Lisa and Richard were presented with their official 'Beechgrove Garden' hoodies! Donation box is now up on the pergola.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Sunday 30th August 2009 at 7.00 pm. Pat Jones has agreed to do the minutes. The Mitchells submitted their apologies.