

Minutes of the Committee of
The Rye Old Scholars' Association

Thursday 27th February 2020

at

The Mermaid Inn, Rye

Present:

Judith Blincow (Secretary)

John Breeds

Kevin Moore

Richard Moore (Chair)

Sue Moore (Treasurer)

Tim Rothwell

Andrew Spacey

Claire Spacey

In attendance: Rebekah Gilbert, Mayor Elect, Rye

1. Apologies for absence

Those present were welcomed and apologies for absence were received from Margaret O'Neill, Gordon Boxall and Shirley Bannister.

2. Minutes of the meeting of 7 November 2009

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed as a correct record.

3, Matters arising

It was reported that Barry Blakelock and guest had been invited by the Association's to the AGM Luncheon in May.

4, Treasurer's Report

Total Balance at time of meeting: £4908.25.

This balance would need to have a deduction of £387.34 which hadn't cleared at the time of the meeting. £317.34 of this figure was for the restoration of the Head Boy and Girl Board commencing from 1968 onwards.

It was noted that the Board contained names from 1968 onwards. It was agreed that it would be good to have as many names of Head Boys and

Girls from Rye Grammar School and Rye County Secondary School included on a Board, and efforts would be made to try and ascertain the relevant names.

Peter Webb (an Old Scholar) had left the Association £1000 so it was suggested that the Restored Board listing Head Boy and Girls since 1968 be allocated against this sum – possibly a plaque to be placed beside it in his memory.

It was reported that the Association had applied for Internet banking through Nat West and that this was still pending.

5, Website

Tim spoke about the ongoing updates to the website that were gaining continued interest and suggested that the Minutes and Agenda for committee meetings be added to the website. Not only would this keep ROSA members informed, it might encourage others to come forward and join the Committee. This was duly agreed by the committee, subject to any sensitive items being excluded from the public record.

6. Bulletin

Richard reported that there had been very positive feedback to the latest Bulletin with regard to the new layout and the next one was underway.

7. Rye Mayoral Fund

Rebekah Gilbert, the Mayor Elect, addressed the meeting with regard to her wish to raise money for two good causes in Rye during her term as Mayor – The Wurlitzer and The Rye Old Scholars' Association – therefore helping with both music for young people and those recent school leavers wishing to start businesses in Rye.

The meeting greatly welcomed the initiative and agreed to work with Rebekah on the project as required.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The date for the AGM (and Annual Lunch) had already been set for 17.5.2020. The date for the next committee meeting was set for 25.8.2020 giving time to discuss, amongst other issues, details for the reunion of Old Scholars and ex-staff at the Mermaid Inn on Saturday 12th September 2020.

9, As there was no further business the meeting was declared closed.