TWIG MINUTES AGM (VIRTUAL) WEDNESDAY 14TH APRIL 2021

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32 MEMBERS PRESENT (as per Zoom attendance)

7 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

The President, welcomed all members to the AGM, held virtually this year due to the ongoing, Covid -19/confinement restrictions.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM, HELD ON THE 27TH MARH 2019.

The minutes of the last AGM were approved and accepted. Proposed by NAME and seconded by NAME. Passed unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

No matters raised.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Total Current balances at 5th April 2021 is €14,154.53. The breakdown as follows:

Current Account €727.02 Savings €7963.07 Christmas Fair €5464.44

The audited accounts were emailed to all members ahead of this meeting. In summary, at the end of 2020 Twig had €14381.06 in total. The accounts were audited on 27th January and I would like to thank the TWIG Auditor for his contributions for all these years for TWIG. NAME had requested to step down from auditing TWIG accounts and we have found a new auditor – NAME who is happy to take over from now on.

Thanks also to our President for her support.

QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR CONCERNING THE ACCOUNTS.

The Treasurer confirmed that a gift of wine had been delivered to the outgoing auditor in recognition of his service to TWIG.

The President reiterated that although the savings account is higher than normal, it was due to Covid 19 in 2020 and there had been no subsidies paid out to activity groups and for the annual events such as the garden party and the Christmas lunch. In 2021, members renewing have not been asked to pay the annual subscription. Reserves will be used to subsidise events during the rest of 2021 as well as paying for insurances, the directory, equipment replacements etc. Monies in the Christmas Fair account remains in order to purchase the British items in advance of the Christmas Fair.

Activity Group Funding. After much discussion, it was unanimously agreed that 1,500 euros will be available for the activity groups, with the provisional request limit of 200 euros per group.

PROPOSAL: TO APPROVE THE ACCREDITED ACCOOUNTS FOR 2020.

The accredited accounts were approved. Proposed by NAME and seconded by NAME. The vote was unanimous and motion carried.

ELECTION OF NEW AUDITOR FOR 2021.

Proposed by NAME. Seconded by NAME. The vote was unanimous and motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

I'm so pleased that we could finally hold our AGM this year even if it is virtually. All in all it has been a very strange year and in a way very sad as most of us haven't been able to meet up face to face and participate in our usually activities.

Thanks to all the activity leaders for staying on in their roles and I know a few have been taking place on Zoom as have our committee meetings.

As usual huge thanks to all committee members and we are continuing to have monthly meetings virtually. A huge thanks to those stepping down this year.

Our out-going NAME, Assets Manager who took good care of all our assets and thank you to NAME for agreeing to hold them temporarily.

Thank you to NAME who did a great job of building and launching our new Website which will make joining, renewing and paying subscriptions so much easier for all members.

Thank you also to all our loyal members for supporting TWIG throughout the years and a big welcome to our new members. NAME celebrated her 90th Birthday this year and was presented with flowers from our youngest member.

We are hopeful that this year we will be able to hold our main charity events to raise funds for all the worthwhile causes.

THE RESULTS OF THE VOTING FOR CHARITIES TO BENEFIT FROM THE 2021 CHRISTMAS FAIR.

The President announced the following results from this year's online process.

The proceeds from the 2021 Christmas fair will be divided equally between:-

Olympe de Gouges Street Child Passerelle de L' Amite

The proceeds from the Book Sale will be donated to:-

Les GT du Coeur

ELECTION OF NEW COMMITTEE

The following Committee members are willing to stand for re-election:
President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Communications Coordinator,

Membership/Welcome Coordinator, Non Committee Role, Grapevine Editor.

The vote to re-elect the current committee members was unanimous. Nominations have been received for the role of Events Coordinator.

The vote to elect new committee member was unanimous.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President, Vice president, Treasurer, Secretary The vote to elect the officers was unanimous.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members to date are 76. Thanks were expressed to NAME who has made the online membership renewal process easy.

The Communications Coordinator was thanked for the way that she kept members informed during the Pandemic about attestations etc.

NAME and NAME extended their thanks to those who voted for their proposed charities.

NAME thanked the President for her continued hard work for TWIG.

DATE OF NEXT AGM (MARCH 2022)

