

Minutes of the 6th AGM of the East Midlands Region held on 15th July 2014 at Trent College Long Eaton

Agenda Item	Note																																																
1. Present:	Hilary Wells (Chair), Michaela Moody (Regional trustee), Liz Wilson (EDO), David Kyle (Treasurer), Margaret Potter (Secretary) Carol Lockwood (Derbyshire), Tony Cook (Leicestershire & Rutland), Karen Highfield-Taylor & Jane Pavier (Nottinghamshire) and 115 representatives from 34 U3As.																																																
1. Apologies	Apologies had been received from Gill Childs (Regional Assistant Secretary); Mandy Topp (Shared Learning contact), Lynne Cox & Barry Hillyard (Leicestershire & Rutland representatives), Elaine Lovell (Lincolnshire Representative) and the following U3A s – Enderby Area; The Deepings; Glenfield; Bradgate; Hucknall and Whitwick																																																
2. Minutes of Previous AGM 2nd July 2013	These had been circulated prior to the meeting. Proposed by: Jane Pavier, Carlton & Gelding and seconded by Peter Edge, Keyworth. They were agreed by a show of hands and signed by the chairman.																																																
3.i.To receive the Financial Report	This had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Treasurer had nothing else to add to the papers presented and there were no questions.																																																
3.ii. To agree the formal Proposal	The following was proposed by David Kyle (Treasurer) and seconded by Alan Morris West Bridgeford U3A. The vote was 28 for, none against, and 2 abstentions. Carried. <i>“This AGM agrees to invite all U3As in the region to contribute towards the funding of the Association of East Midlands U3As for 2014/15 on the basis of £10 for U3As with up to 250 members and £20 for U3As with more than 250</i>																																																
3.iii To appoint an independent examiner for the year 2014/15	David Kyle was proposed by the chairman and seconded by the secretary. Agreed unanimously by a show of hands.																																																
4. To Receive the officers’ Reports	These had been circulated prior to the meeting. i. Chair ii. Regional Trustee iii. Education & Development Officer There were no questions.																																																
5. Nomination of Treasurer	Hilary thanked David for all his hard work over the many years that he held the post. She hoped he would enjoy his ‘retirement’. She also thanked the retiring independent examiner Geoff Moth. A brief statement from Mary Cearns, the only nominee, had been circulated prior to the meeting. The actual appointment will be made at the first Regional Representative Council meeting in August. Mary was introduced to the meeting.																																																
6. To confirm the Officers and members of the RRC for 2014/15	The following were confirmed as comprising the Regional Representative Council (RRC) for the following 12 months: <table border="0" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:40%;">Chair</td> <td style="width:30%;">Hilary Wells</td> <td style="width:30%;">(2013 – 2016)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Regional Trustee</td> <td>Michaela Moody</td> <td>(2013 – 2016)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secretary</td> <td>Gill Childs</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Assistant Secretary</td> <td>Margaret Potter</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Shared Learning Contact</td> <td>Mandy Topp</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>EDO</td> <td>Vacant</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Derbyshire</td> <td>Vacant</td> <td>(2012 – 2015)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Derbyshire</td> <td>Carol Lockwood</td> <td>(2014 – 2017)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Derbyshire Alternate</td> <td>Rod Brennan</td> <td>(2013 – 2016)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leicestershire & Rutland</td> <td>Lynne Cox</td> <td>(2012 – 2015)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leicestershire& Rutland</td> <td>Vacant</td> <td>(2014 – 2017)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Leicestershire & Rutland Alternate</td> <td>Tony Cook</td> <td>(2013 – 2016)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lincolnshire</td> <td>Elaine Lovell</td> <td>(2012 – 2015)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lincolnshire</td> <td>Mike Benthall</td> <td>(2014 – 2017) Lincolnshire</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alternate</td> <td>Variable TBA</td> <td>(2012 – 2015)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Northamptonshire</td> <td>Pat Reeve</td> <td>(2012 – 2015)</td> </tr> </table>	Chair	Hilary Wells	(2013 – 2016)	Regional Trustee	Michaela Moody	(2013 – 2016)	Secretary	Gill Childs		Assistant Secretary	Margaret Potter		Shared Learning Contact	Mandy Topp		EDO	Vacant		Derbyshire	Vacant	(2012 – 2015)	Derbyshire	Carol Lockwood	(2014 – 2017)	Derbyshire Alternate	Rod Brennan	(2013 – 2016)	Leicestershire & Rutland	Lynne Cox	(2012 – 2015)	Leicestershire& Rutland	Vacant	(2014 – 2017)	Leicestershire & Rutland Alternate	Tony Cook	(2013 – 2016)	Lincolnshire	Elaine Lovell	(2012 – 2015)	Lincolnshire	Mike Benthall	(2014 – 2017) Lincolnshire	Alternate	Variable TBA	(2012 – 2015)	Northamptonshire	Pat Reeve	(2012 – 2015)
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	<p>Northamptonshire Vacant (2014 – 2017)</p> <p>Northamptonshire Alternate Annie Curtis (2012 – 2015)</p> <p>Nottinghamshire Jane Pavier (2012 – 2015)</p> <p>Nottinghamshire Vacant (2014 – 2017)</p> <p>Nottinghamshire Alternate Karen Highfield-Taylor (2012 – 2015)</p> <p>NB- There was no need for an election for Chair as Hilary has not completed her 3 year term. As the EDO vacancy was caused by a last minute resignation the post of EDO will be discussed at the RRC in August.</p> <p>Possible candidates for the vacancies in Leicestershire & Rutland and Nottinghamshire have been identified and will be ratified at the appropriate network meeting.</p> <p>The following retirees were thanked for their service. Barry Hillyard (Leicestershire & Rutland), Cyril Young (Northamptonshire), Christine Baxter (Nottinghamshire) and Liz Wilson the Education and Development Officer (EDO) who had decided to resign for personal reasons. Hilary made special mention of Liz who had previously also served as our national trustee. In both roles she had done a lot of hard work. Pat reeve was invited to speak about Liz and her service. She said that Liz had packed into her term of service more than double what many could have achieved in the time. She went on to list many of the things in which Liz had been involved in including helping to set up new U3As and development teams.</p>
<p>7. Any Other Business</p>	<p>None had been notified to the secretary prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Hilary then thanked all those that have helped to organise this event. Also Gill Childs who had stood down as secretary due to ill health. She was now Assistant Secretary. She wished her a speedy recovery. The meeting closed at 12:35</p>