

OLD HUISH ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT RICHARD HUISH COLLEGE ON 28

FEBRUARY 2018

PRESENT:- Andrew Janes, David Gill, Gent Musgrave, Martin Dongworth, Nigel Reditt, Geraint Jones, Nick Williams, Peter Gibbs, Doug Dawe, Allan Merrifield, Charlie Barker

APOLOGIES:- None

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 13 September 2017 were

approved.

2. OHA DINNER

Nick Williams reported on the feedback from those who attended the Dinner. He said the general consensus was that the event was lacklustre and that the level of entertainment provided by the College and the quality of the catering by the Cricket Club was not as good as in previous years.

NW summarised a meeting he and Geraint Jones had had with the Principal following the Dinner. The Principal said that comments by the OHA President David Gill at the Dinner had been heard by students and staff members attending which had caused offence. NW said that he and GJ felt it appropriate to write to the staff member concerned apologising and this had been done.

David Gill said that as far as he was concerned he had said nothing untoward and that anything he had said accurately reflected the feeling of members attending.

After a brief discussion it was agreed to draw a line under the matter.

The total attending the 2017 Dinner was down to 45 and it was agreed that it would not be viable to hold the event at the Cricket Club in 2018.

NW said he had had discussions with Sue Morkane and the College who were prepared to host the 2018 Dinner. The meeting agreed to have the Dinner at the College and that it would be a joint enterprise with the College Alumni Association in order to increase the numbers attending.

3. SPRING LUNCH 2018

The 2018 Spring Lunch is to be held at Oake Manor Golf Club on 11 May. The cost would be £16.95p for a two course carvery including tea/coffee.

4. TREASURERS REPORT

Andrew Janes reported that the OHA had £2945 in the account which included £577 for our designated charity and the student bursary. It was agreed that NW would write to the College asking them to choose a recipient for this year's bursary. To help preserve funds it was agreed that buttonholes would no longer be provided at the Annual Dinner.

5. 2018 AGM
- The meeting agreed that this year's AGM would be held at the College on the 18 April 2018.
6. AOB
- NW said he had received a letter from Norman White a former Treasurer questioning the viability of the OHA given the decline in numbers attending events. After discussion it was felt that the OHA should continue but that closer co-operation with the Alumni Association would be necessary in the future.
- The date of the next Committee meeting would be agreed at the AGM.