

Minutes of the meeting of Midlothian Community Media Association

Tuesday 26th July 2016

@ 7.00pm

Present: Bob Miller (BM) Steven Horsburgh (SH) David Aird (DA) Carrie Campbell (CC) Chris

Mackrell (CM) & Gordon Clayton (GC)

1. *Apologies for Absence – none*

It was agreed to discuss the Minutes of 13th June as a catch up and tidy up prior to discussing the logistics of the AGM to be held on the 27th of July.

2. *Minutes of Meeting held on 13th June with a change from 'Mayfield to Dalkeith in relation to movies night* *Approved*

3. *Business Arising*

a) Police input: BM had emailed Sgt Aitchison without reply- await

c) Gift transmitter host CC to visit with SH

e) Galas: Concern about the way BDFM were represented in publicity at Dalkeith Festival

5. *Finance*

a) Current position: satisfactory

b) Bank Account: Incompetence by RBS unbelievable. BM will give them one last chance before taking the matter further with relevant ombudsman.

c) Accounts 15/16: —Approved by the Board electronically

d) Fund raising: Work continues on Football & Country Evening

6. Licence extension Submitted and acknowledged

7. Presenters' meeting—Issues raised repetitive. Some fall-out due to implied criticism of presenters that caused volunteers to question their suitability to broadcast. There was a general discussion on how to balance recruiting local voices and achieving an acceptable standard. GC suggest a dedicated training officer able to use portable desk.

8. AGM

BM & SH the only nominees within the timescale leaving space for co-options. The non-full member Directors (3) are renewed each year. Currently CM and GC are in that category

There had been offers from non-full members willing to join and hints but no nominations from Full members willing to contribute. It was agreed that BM would announce that the Board were keen to recruit volunteers for specific roles i.e. Training, Advertising and Promotions and invite notes of interest. The Board would then meet with the individuals to hear how they would take these roles forward. Presentation of 'golden microphone' to Bill Prentice (Bill has confirmed his attendance

Accounts to go on website once approved

Meeting and refreshments in the Nursery Hall- Top table at far end. Agendas, Minutes, Accounts and name stickers available at door. SH to augment provisions from the hub

9. CM had acquired UPS equipment but batteries needed (region of £300) Hub clearance a priority.

10. Facebook: SH to indicate that only current members should be members of 107.8 work page

11. Halkerston Mast for transmitter to be kept under review but informal advice from an expert was that it was isolated from any substantial village/town and thought that water tank about 10-20 ft. higher to the West of the existing site would be ideal. CM outlined some of the challenges that would need to be overcome but we have no security of tenure where we are.

12. AOCB

Programmes: All of the recordings involving DA & GC were complete

BM had met up with Alison from Nursery to exchange mutual thanks.

Lottery Fund for Celebrations-----10th Birthday for BDFM featuring artistes that had been on the station might be worth pursuing. Limited funds on first come first served basis.

Next Meeting. Post AGM