

Executive Committee.

The Thirty second meeting of the Executive committee of the Trinity Retirement Association was held on 14th March 2017 at 2.30 in the FEMS Faculty Office Westland Row.

Present: Mike Jones (Chair) Ruth Potterton (Secretary) Gay Duffy (Treasurer) Susan Parkes, Doreen MacRaois, Norah Kelso, Kay O'Neill, and Tom Turpin.

1. Minutes.

The Minutes of the meeting of 14th February 2017 were agreed.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes.

a/ Membership Renewals, Approx 130 have renewed to date this is somewhat down on last year. Agreed need to advertise AGM as widely as possible.

b/AGM Matters. Meeting felt that we should inform membership that the association will no longer send items by post. Will need to agree the methods of communication maybe use web text as well as email and web site.

Meeting agreed not to have a subscription increase this year but may be necessary for 2018, after a long discussion it was agreed that we seek the permission of the AGM to raise the subscription to €20 and to €35 for a couple if it proves to be necessary.

c/ Committee Members, Denise Leahy is interested but has not fully decided as yet, MJ to contact her with a proposal form.

d/ Proposal Form, RP to bring copies of proposal forms to next meeting for members to sign.

d/ Committee for next year. We need new members hopefully Denise Leahy is a yes. NK and KON agreed to stay.

3. Future Events.

a/ Bird watching event, Aidan Kelly suggested June (not firstweek) for another event perhaps at Howth Head to look at sea birds. DMR to get a date for the event.

b/ Possibly have a Coach trip in Sept. or June, maybe Wells House in Gorey, another possibility might be Newbridge House KON

c/ Theatre outing agreed Private Lives in the Gate RP

d/ Berlin. 17 people booked. Friday 12th group meal. Sat 13th half day city tour in the morning, afternoon free. Sun 14th Possible trip to Potsdam, trip take 5 hours people will need to book this themselves. Mon 15th Dome of Reichstag building in the morning.

Meeting agreed Donation of €200 towards trip.

e/ Oscar Wilde centre perhaps do something later in the year. Ian Sanson is giving a talk which SP will try and attend.

f/ National Gallery maybe visit the Vermeer in September. RP

g/ AGM 21st April Venue Botany Lecture Theatre. Speaker, Patrick Geoghegan will speak at 11, leave topic up to him. Lunch will be provided.

h/ Coffee on the 29th from 10-11 in the Global Room, Watts Building. MJ, MMR and GD will be there to meet and greet. NK will email members about the room and the event.

3. Any other Business.

1. Creative Writing Group Pat Wall, want money towards some training sessions, we did this two years ago. RP to contact him for a definite proposal.

2. Entry for College calendar after AGM. NK

4. Next Meeting.

Wednesday 5th April at 2.30 venue to be confirmed.