Executive Committee.

The Thirty first meeting of the Executive committee of the Trinity Retirement Association was held on 14th February 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, Tom McCabe and Tom Turpin.

1. Minutes.

The Minutes of the meeting of 17th January 2017 were agreed.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes.

- a/ Membership Renewals, 100 have renewed to date.
- **b/ Committee Members,** Denise Leahy is interested but has not fully decided as yet, deadline is the AGM she will respond to MJ before the deadline.
- **c/ Proposal Form,** NK circulated Proposal form for Committee/Officer membership she agreed to circulate to other committee members.
- **d/ Listings etc.** NK agreed to send notice of AGM to Listings . TT to put link from Our website to Listings.

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/ Lecture (SMP) Roger Stalley giving his talk on 28th February, title, Book of Kells-unfinished business. It will be in the Swift Theatre at 3pm. Agreed give him a Book Token for €50. Twenty-four have signed up for this event so far.

c/ Botanic Gardens (MJ) The Director had suggested maybe have a tour of the Greenhouses. This will take place on March 8th at 11 am Coffee beforehand in café in the Botanic Gardens. Agreed limit numbers to 25. Meet at 10.30 tour commence at 11. Maybe should give a donation towards the garden.

d/ Berlin. 14 Booked.

e/ Croquet, GD to investigate

f/ Oscar Wilde centre perhaps do something later in the year.

g/ National Gallery maybe in June RP to investigate.

h/ Castletown House another possibility for June MJ

i/ Theatre outing RP to look at possibilities.

j/ AGM 21st April Venue Botany Lecture Theatre. Speaker, Patrick Geoghegan will speak at 11, leave topic up to him. Lunch will be provided. Need new members for the committee.

3. Any other Business.

1. Equality committee, MJ made point that retired staff ignored by College.

MJ had filled Richard Timoney in on the activities and membership of the Retirement Association. Hopefully Richard Timoney will work on our behalf.

- 2. Perhaps we should try and get someone from HR/Sharon to a committee meeting to talk about our access to the retirement list etc.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Room for Association to use. Sharon Nelson in the Pensions Office has informed us that we have been granted use of this Room.

Venue: TCD Global Room, The Watts Building

Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month

Time: 10.00 am to 11.00 am

First Meeting: Wednesday, 29 March 2017

Contact: Colum Cronin, Tel: 353 (0)1 896 2097, email: tcdglobalroom@tcd.ie

Meeting discussed the room and how we will use it, if members were to drop into this room then we would need committee members present we meet and greet etc. GD to investigate.

4. Next Meeting.

Tuesday 14th March at 2.30 venue to be confirmed.