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Annual General Meeting

14th April 2022

The seventh Annual General Meeting of the Trinity Retirement Association was held at 12 noon on Thursday 14th April 2022 via Zoom online platform.

Present: See attached list

Apologies: Ruth Potterton, Myra O'Regan, Ann Battersby

1. **Minutes** of the 2020 Annual General Meeting. Approved. Proposed by Norah Kelso seconded by Claire Laudet
2. **Matters rising:** No matters arising

3. **Reports from the Officers:**

Chairman's Report:

- a. The Chairman, Michael Nowlan, welcomed the members.
- b. There had been a slight decrease in members probably due to the circumstances of the pandemic .

He reported that the Association had organized events every month since the last AGM, all on Zoom during the pandemic, moving to one on Zoom and one in-person outdoor event as restrictions eased. Hoping to have a combination in future. The advantage of Zoom was that it attracted a larger audience.

A mixed mode (part Zoom, part in-person) was tried for one Committee meeting, but was deemed problematical probably because of the equipment, but it might work for 'normal' events for members

A poll will be taken later in the evening re preferred day for meetings.

Two new members had been coopted to the Committee during the year: Myra O'Regan and Michael McKillen.

An events co-ordinator was appointed from within the Committee; and it is proposed to appoint a College Liaison person this year.

Two longstanding and founder members of the Association are retiring this year, plus the Treasurer . An election will be held later in the meeting.

The Chair person and Hon Secretary are due to speak at a Pre-Retirement Course organized by TCD in June. The Association of Retirement Associations from all third-level colleges is due to have a meeting and we will be represented.

Finally a request for ideas for events and for people to volunteer to serve on the committee,

The acceptance of the Report was proposed by Gaye Fallon and seconded by JW.

Treasurer's Report

Finances in a healthy state. Acceptance of the Report was proposed by Anne FitzGerald and seconded by Kay

Secretary's Report:

The Hon Secretary reported that ten committee meetings had been held during the year . The March 2022 meeting had been in-person with one member on Zoom. The events for members had been coordinated by Denise Leahy who unfortunately could not be present today and this report was compiled by her.

Full Events List • 13-Apr-21 Talk Notre Dame de Paris: Triumph and Disaster – A lecture by Roger Stalley • 27-Apr-21 Talk Interpreting the physical features of the Faddan More Psalter by John Gillis • 10-May-21 Talk Painting Dublin 1856-1949 – A lecture by Katheryn Milligan • 17-Jun-21 Talk The Astronomical Times of Dunsink Observatory, Professor Peter Gallagher • 24-Jun-21 Tour Newbridge House and Farm Tour • 22-Sep-21 Zoom Coffee Morning for New Retirees • 12-Oct-21 Walk Meet and walk in Marley Park • 26-Oct-21 Talk An Immodest Proposal; Wine and Health – Shaun McCann • 09-Nov-21 Talk Stephen Sondheim – the king of Broadway Musical Theatre – Michael Grant • 11-Nov-21 Tour Airfield Estate Tour • 30-Nov-21 Talk From Sorcery, Alchemy, Science, Prayer, Art, and Evolution to Mystery – Jim Malone • 14-Dec-21 Talk Putting the history of Irish cities back on the map – David Dickson • 11-Jan-22 Talk Poetry Reading by Moya Cannon • 25-Jan-22 Talk Talk on Jack Yeats by Jessica Fahy • 08-Feb-22 Tour A guided tour of the SE City led by Dublin Decoded's Arran Henderson • 22-Feb-22 Tour Expect the unexpected: Ancient genomes and Ireland's past • 08-Mar-22 Walk Howth Head Walk • 22-Mar-22 Tour Tour of the National Maritime Museum Dun Laoghaire • 29-Mar-22 Talk Lecture on the history of the Moyne Institute • 12-Apr-21 Talk Lecture on "The Earliest Writing in the World and a TCD alumnus" by Robert Barklie, 14bApril AGM.

Jim Malone reminded the Committee and the members about the Writers' Group, part of the TRA, which is currently willing to welcome new members..
Acceptance of the Report was proposed by Anne FitzGerald and seconded by Glibert Carr.....

4. Elections

Officers are elected at the AGM and serve for one year with a maximum of 3 years. The following nominations had been received in writing with appropriate notice (seven days prior to the AGM), had been proposed and seconded and had the consent of the nominee, as follows:

Proposed by: Seconded by

People remaining on committee:

Office holders: Proposer Secorder

Michael Nowlan Jean Whyte James Lunny

Jean Whyte Denise Leahy Mike McKillen

Committee Members

Ann Battersby Michael Nowlan Claire Laudet

Claire Laudet Jean Whyte ann battersby

Denise Leahy James Lunny Myra O'Regan

James Lunny Denise Leahy Jean Whyte

Myra O'Regan Mike McKillen Denise Leahy

Mike McKillen Michael Nowlan Jean Whyte

Jim Malone

Shane Allwright to be coopted

They were declared elected unanimously by online poll

Thanks were expressed by members for the events that had been organized and tributes

were paid to the committee for their hard work.

5. AOB.

Next event on 26th - A walk in Fernhill Park and Gardens, Sandyford.
A poll was held to determine the best and worst times for events.

The results were a bit ambivalent;

The best times were Tuesday am and Thursday am with 59% voting for each

The worst times were Wed pm and Thursday pm with 42% voting in this way

It was suggested that we might try an online poll with members.

The Physio Dept are looking for volunteers - see useful links . on website

We remembered Joan Freeman RIP

The meeting ended at 13.00 and the Chairman thanked Members for their attendance..