

Minutes of the NLETS Management Group meeting on 16 January 2008

Present Woody (Chair), Henu (Vice Chair), Sue (Minutes Secretary), Rebecca, Andy.

1. Apologies Mary Fee, Precious Martini Brown

2. Minutes of the meeting on 15 November 2007 were approved.

3. Matters Arising

Mediating Sub Committee Rebecca rang Cliff Lloyd who said he was happy to set up a mediating sub committee and expressed interest in attending a Management Group meeting. Woody was willing to speak to Cliff. The system would pay for this service in pledges. It was also suggested Cliff might facilitate a regular session of the office staff team. Rebecca will speak to him.

Phone Co-op. New Phone Co-op leaflets have been obtained and will be sent out with a label including our affinity number.

Back-up The last meeting agreed to get help with setting up a back-up system. This is still needed.

Yahoo Group Henu will invite Jo Holman to the AGM and to advise members on how to join the group.

Banner. We have paid Charlotte 100 pledges for making the banner. Woody will ask her to add the web address to the banner for an extra 20 pledges. We also owe Charlotte £25 for materials. Rebecca will contact Martine about Charlotte's subs and send her a cheque.

Balancing of System pledge payments and income. Agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting.

4. AGM Sat 23 Feb at 4.30pm

Helen had kindly offered to send out minutes, agenda, email group. The mail-out will invite nominations and include Phone Co-op info, Workers Beer Company info, vacancies, members updates.

Sue agreed to send Helen an AGM agenda and minutes.

Woody as Chair and Henu as Vice-Chair will make the Chair's opening remarks.

Rebecca read out the draft Office Report to the AGM which was agreed.

Elizabeth had kindly agreed to present the Treasurer's report to the AGM. Andy will pick up the keys from Milca to enable Elizabeth to access the office.

Mary will be invited to explain how online NLETS would work

The short meeting will be followed by a social which Helen will organise.

5. Helen's written report was received and noted. In order to properly consider the question of pledge deficits Management Group members asked to see copies of letters sent to those in commitment over 500 and their replies.

6. Vacancies. Rebecca, Martine and Henu are following up possible office/intro/trading day helpers and inducting them. Vacancies will continue to be advertised. The post of Treasurer may be currently vacant as Milca is involved in studying.

7. Signatories. Confirmed that current signatories are any two of the following: Woody, Elizabeth, Viv, Helen, Rebecca.

8. Pledges for Workers' Beer Company work. Agreed that work by volunteers recruited by Noreen (not NLETS members) be paid to Noreen at the rate of 10 pledges per hour.

9. Report of Archway Resource Centre meeting held on 19 December. This report was received and noted. The next meeting will be on March 26 2008 at 11.30am. Agreed to take up Helen's offer to represent NLETS at this meeting for the time being.

10. Future Dates

AGM - Sat 23 Feb at 4.30pm

Management Group Meeting - Weds 5 March at 6.30pm

Archway Resource Centre Meeting - Weds March 26 2008 at 11.30am.

Mail out early April

Management Group Meeting - Weds 7 May at 6.30pm.

Directory comes out end of May

Trading Day/ Social to take place as part of London Sustainability Weeks. Woody will check the dates.

Autumn Trading Day/Social - Sat 27 September from 4pm.