

Minutes of the Board of Midlothian Community Media Association held on Thursday 10 October 2019 held in Newbattle Community Learning Centre @ 7.00pm.

Present: Steven Horsburgh (SH), Carrie Campbell (CC), Kim Thomson (KT), Gordon Clayton (GC), Chris Mackrell (CM), David Aird (DA)

Apologies Bob Miller, Addie Thomson, Tony Conlin

Minutes of previous meeting held on 15 August 2019: Approved on the proposal of CC seconded by DA

Minutes of Disciplinary Meeting held on 12 September: Approved on the proposal of BM seconded by AT

Finance

£7669.91 balance

Confirmed Midlothian Council grant is £2000 per year for 3 years; still to come grant for 2020 and 2021.

CM joined meeting

Further to disciplinary meeting with member; Board endorsed the sub-committee decision, Ofcom have asked for BDFM view on the matter. Response is required by 18 October 2019. **CM** will compose letter.

KT to compose letter to member involved to reiterate the seriousness of actions - draft letter to CC

Newbattle High School Connection - Alan Thomson keeping connection open; in discussions at school to have pupils involved in making recordings to be played on air.

Gorebridge Police Station - CC had contact with 'owner'. Very keen to have BDFM in the premises; possibility of converting double garage giving BDFM exclusive space with all hours access.

Suzanne Mackrell updated Membership list with all members completed forms and paid membership fee. **KT** will double check members from last year and report back to board

Seniors Hour - GC currently recording programmes to be played until a new suitable presenter can be found.

CM has plans to update sustainer so pre-records can be uploaded into google drive. Would assist with recordings from Newbattle High School pupils

Fundraisers - Quiz Night Gorebridge Bowling Club; 9 November. **AT** will compose questions and compere evening. Posters to be made up and distributed

Race Night/Football tournament -Race night at Rosewell Miners on 16 November; funds for BDFM. Football match between BDFM & Rosewell Miners. Money raised for BDFM with donations to Whitehill Welfare Floodlight Appeal and Midlothian Community Hospital. Event being organised by AT & TC with KT, Russell Aitken and Ricky Templeman

Wonderful site shows Gift Aid but not receiving this currently. **GC** looking into how to set up

Power Increase Next Steps

With go ahead from Ofcom for power increase, board are discussing next steps; Midlothian Council have to give formal agreement for Halkerston Site. Pre-clearance is required from Council

AOCB

Pop Up banners would be helpful for Indoor events/fundraisers.

Member raised question of requirement for presenter profile photos and Board agreed that a better background in the Office/Studio would be worth looking into. **CC** looking at pricing of 'Office Wall Vinyl Wrap'

CM bought key tracker to go with Studio keys. Key tag tone alert sounds within 20 minutes of keys leaving the building

GC received invite to BBC News local forum in Glasgow.

CC will purchase ponchos for Firework Night/outdoor events and also Glowsticks

AT and TC put forward suggestion (via KT) that they hold an open evening on Wednesdays with portable studio and provide any adhoc training.

AT to liaise with Jill Marsh regarding use of a room and let presenters know this was available to them

CM confirmed equipment was available and in working order

Member Craig Johnston is joiner to trade - KT to email and ask if he would mind looking at Hub Door and let Board know of cost to make necessary repairs

Board mentioned recordings of Christmas Shows . Contact Craig and Morris Johnston to see if they would like to record show - Soul Sensations is on Tuesday evenings

Next Board Meeting 21 November 7pm