Minutes of the Board of Midlothian Community Media Association held on Thursday 15 August 2019 held in Newbattle Community Learning Centre @ 7.00pm.

Present: Steven Horsburgh (SH), Addie Thomson (AT), Carrie Campbell (CC), Kim Thomson (KT), Bob Miller (BM), Gordon Clayton (GC), Chris Mackrell (CM), David Aird (DA), Tony Conlin (TC)

Minutes of previous meeting held on 18 July 2019: Approved on the proposal of BM seconded by AT

AOCB

GC contacted by potential volunteers; could be fast-tracked to assist fill gaps in daytime slots. AT offered to assist with training on portable desk; to contact Jill Marsh about using a room in the Centre

GC confirmed access to local news from BBC; digital access to news available in office. Will inform members it is available and encourage to use.

BM approached by Bill Prentice family after funeral to offer BDFM CD's (200) and 100+ records. Board agreed we would decline records as no facility to play them and no room for storage. Suggested records are donated to hospital radio. Geoff Ruderham and Rachel Male have contacts at Hospital Radio - BM to enquire with Geoff and/or Rachel Bill's CD collection would be put onto Team Drive

AT raised concern that if desk fails, original 'Clyde ' no longer in business; who would do necessary repairs. CM confirmed we have portable desk as back-up and engineers available that worked for Clyde.

Finance

£9003 balance; £500 to pay in; £1200 to be paid out.

Ofcom mail is going missing; agreed that we would change address and Ofcom mail go direct to CC home address.

Gazebo and PA system has been purchased AT has a table to donate.

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 CM checking with Transplan for price of kit required and installation cost.

Internet Stream - new system in place; CM to ask members to check APPS are working ok.

Station Security - A new padlock and keysafe are to be obtained

Wonderful! Donation Site - CM arranging for Gift Aid to be put in place

Newbattle High School - Board agreed that we should keep up contact with school. Alan Thompson teacher there; very much involved with activities.

CM suggested 6 x hourly programmes with children from Schools, recorded so they can be edited. possibly try for connection with media studies group.

New Membership Forms completed - not got up to date list as yet; should be able to check by next meeting so any reminders can be sent out

Seniors Hour Replacement - GC and BM looking to find a replacement to present a show along the same lines.

Currently GC producing recordings

Jingles for New Presenters - names to be added to list in One Drive and Graham Rigby will have jingles produced by Divaweb when they are producing new Adverts.

Fundraisers - Quiz Night - 9 November; Gorebridge Bowling Club. Craig Duncan to compere; Geoff Ruderham setting questions; AT/KT will contact David Wilson about poster

Football Tournament - TC arranging Race Night/Football tournament in conjunction with Rosewell Miners Bowling Club. To involve Celtic Seniors FC. Details TBC

TC has located several possible grant applications BDFM could submit. CC will look at with TC.

Next Board Meeting 10 October 7pm (apologies from BM)