



## BOARD MEETING

**Held at Ena kai Ena, Missiria, Rethymno, Monday 5 February 2018 @ 12.30**

### Present:

Ralph Krueger	(RK)	President
Ingo Dietrich	(ID)	Vice president
Stuart Walsh	(SW)	Secretary
Willy Van Bellegham	(WVB)	Membership Secretary & Board Member

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING


1. RK declared the meeting open at 11.45, all Board members were present.
2. SW – Minutes of our last meeting 08.01.2018 have been published on line and circulated to all Board members. These were approved as a true record.
3. SW – Any matters arising are covered elsewhere in the agenda.
4. RK – no report
5. ID – no report.
6. RK handed WVB €110 in respect of membership income & WVN has collected a further €50 which remains in his possession. The financial statement remains as per last month. This was approved for auditing purposes. Discussion took place concerning the vacancy for Treasurer. Some names were discussed and an informal approach to these people will be made with a view to co-opting them onto the Board as permitted .
7. SW – correspondence received from a member covering the following areas and were discussed as follows:
  - a. AGA and Winter Coffee Morning Venue – The Board are always open to suggestions for venues that meet the basic requirements. Finding suitable venues is not a simple task and we have not been able to find anywhere for winter meetings more suited than 1+1, although we do recognise there are shortcomings. It is practical to combine the AGA with the coffee morning and use the same time, date and venue. See item 11a.
  - b. Articles of Association – It is a requirement to operate an organisation such as the CIC with Articles of Association in Greece. A new set are required as the ones currently in use are outdated and it is more efficient to draw up new ones. The costs were listed in the Board minutes of our meeting 05.06.2018 and discussed at the coffee morning on the same date.
  - c. Membership – subscriptions can be paid or passed to any Board member. For the amount involved bank transfer is not a realistic option. Where it is known that members will be away for prolonged periods and unable to renew in January and it is known they will renew individual arrangements are made to cover this. WVB keeps an accurate list of all membership details and ID is currently working on a new format to improve the database.
  - d. Sponsors – The CIC has not sought sponsorship in the past and has no plans to do so. There are a number of commercial members who pay a regular membership fee and in return are able to promote their businesses via our web-site.

- e. Communications – the established language for all communications is English. When other languages are used this is for additional convenience. It is not possible to cover every language of our members.
  - f. SW to draft a formal response and circulate prior to sending. More detail has been recorded as a Part 2 item not for publication.
8. WVB reported that current paid up membership for 2018 is 56 and anticipates that 30 more renewals will come in.
9. Events:
- a. **January**
    - i. Coffee morning held 08.01.2018.
    - ii. AGA held shortly afterwards on the same day.
    - iii. Games and Social Afternoon – at Billias 09.01.2018
    - iv. Joint Lunch – 20+members at Orthonas 14.01.2018.
    - v. Bus excursion – 15 members and guests 28.01.2018
  - b. **February**
    - i. Coffee morning held earlier today 29 members and guests.
    - ii. Games and Social afternoon – tomorrow 06.02.2018 at Billias earlier start time of 5.00pm.
    - iii. Joint Meal – Sunday 11.02.2015 at Dimitris in Sfakakia.
    - iv. Bus Excursion – Sunday 25.02.2018 likely to visit a number of venues in the Spilli area, details to follow.
  - c. **Future**
    - i. March Joint Lunch – Sunday 11.03.2018 at Bambakis in Roussospiti RK to arrange with the option of a short walk beforehand.
    - ii. Bus Excursion Sunday 25.03.2018 possibly to the planetarium.
    - iii. SW – to look at arranging some walks April and May as mid week events with the option of lunch to follow.
10. No update.
11. Any Other Business:
- a. SW – In response to member’s suggestions he has looked at PA equipment. The costs were in excess of €300 which the board feels are too high for the projected usage. He will continue to look and see if a more cost effective solution can be found.
  - b. RK – Charity donations. The old peoples home discussed last month was looked at again and it was suggested a budget of €500 used. Items needed by the home to be asked for.
12. Next meeting will be Monday 05.03.2011 at Ena kai Ena starting at 11.45 following coffee morning.
13. RK declared the meeting closed at 12.51.

**Stuart Walsh**  
**Secretary**

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