

## Birmingham Inter-Varsity Club Limited

### Board of Directors

Minutes of meeting held at  
The Briar Rose Hotel  
(Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)  
Bennett's Hill, B2 5RE  
11 July 2011

**Present (X - present); Chair\***

Frank Dawson	Membership/Treasurer	X		
Stephen Cox	Bulletin Editor			
Alan Muddiman	Publicity/AIVC and Stourbridge Rep	X		
Dave Elliott	Weekends Coordinator	X	Jan Horne	Walks Co-ordinator
Janet Blick	Social Secretary	X		
John Gregory*	Sports	X		
Peter Norris	Webmaster/ New Members	X		
Rose Huish	Secretary	X		
John Smith	Vice President		Sandra Winchurch	Solihull rep
Andy Turton	Vice President	X	Peter Hanna	Sutton rep
Peter Howe	Vice President			
Maggie Whitlock	Vice President		Graham Hankins	"What's On"

No.	Content		Action
1	Apologies – John Smith, Pete Howe, Maggie Whitlock		
2a	Minutes of previous meeting – for approval:	Approved as correct	
2b.	Review of Actions:	4c – Sub-group details for leaders: members' Names, 'phone nos, e-mails & post codes to be supplied for each sub-group; 4d – C/F (Mini-bus) 6 – Paypal to be discussed tonight	FD  JB PN
<b>Items for Decision</b>			
3	New members. The following people were approved as new members : David Harrington; Parm Prime; Mary Birtles; Andrew Cummings; Keith Shelley		PN
<b>Items for Discussion and Decision</b>			
4	Strategic Targets : (for on-going discussion)		
(a)	Increase Membership: prospective member numbers currently in decline – just 17 on the books this month, whereas six months ago there were 70. Full members tally is 281 including the 5 signed in tonight. Garden House on 06 July was good, with 9 new people coming, of which 6 signed up as temporary members. Decision: from beginning of August, temp. mem. Fee is £5 – this offer to run until the end of October – Website to carry an announcement about this offer. Gumtree – some usage, but not pulling in new people.		PN
(b)	Good variety of events: agreement that the regular events on the calendar should be included in the numbers. Walks: Jan Horn reports that interest is very dependent on the weather; J Pitcock will have a historic record of the walks – for repeating. DE will find out about a website which lists walks by geographical area. (All e-mailed by DE on Wed 13 July with details of this site). NYE – JB requested permission to reserve places at the dinner/disco at Tally Ho @ £30 pp – 40 places agreed. Deposit may be needed.		DE  JB
(c)	FD to prepare the lists of names etc as agreed for each of the 3 sub-Group leaders. North B'ham group: P Hanna still leads, though the pub used for the meeting has been closed for re-furbishment (Wylde Green pub). Next date for N B'ham is 19 July – JB to check with PHanna that venue is open. An alternative may be the Witherspoons in Boldmere Road – the Bishop Vesey. Their June meeting did not happen – so 'free drinks night' proposed to re-start the meetings.		JB/PHa
(d)	Hire mini-bus: suggestion from Chris Cummins for a trip to Ludlow – wait for him to organize this. No other ideas at present - JB		CC

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	<b>Forward Planning</b>	
5	Bulletin – August until October: SC has moved to Sussex; Committee decision to delegate this to DE who offered to take on temporarily, AT offered assistance; B'tin deadline is Wed 20 July – when BIVC will be meeting at 'The Shakespeare' (opposite College of Food). PN to change the e-mail so entries will be forwarded to DE; RH to contact Stephen by phone to discuss decision & explain reasons.	DE/AT PN RH
6	Paypal – update: PN reported that some difficulties had occurred with queries about BIVC status (not a charity) in setting up the business account; the DD mandate required 2 signatures (FD & JB supplied, 15 June) so currently we can put money in but not take it out, as nothing further heard from them. An alternative, similar service called 'No Chex' may be worth Considering: PN suggests opening an account with this service to give a comparison (slightly cheaper than Paypal but less well known; also, based in the UK which may offer greater security).	PN
7	BIVC AGM: RH - 2 Motions received from John Smith; the Committee are submitting 11 motions about the financial management.	
8	Central on-line Database for BIVC – a notice to members was placed in the July Bulletin letting them know that this was being set up.	FD
9	Reports from individual Directors and their areas of responsibility: Sport – JG: complaint received from a female member, (Person A) about the attitude of male players on court 2 – unwelcoming; two members may be taking part illegally as it appears they have not renewed membership: (Persons B & C, a recently lapsed temp mem). JG to challenge these, also reminders re court manners to be placed next to the booking sheets. RH to have word with Person A regarding her choice of court. Secretary – RH: Requested Directors' reports for AGM Booklet. Social – JB: Has received an offer from Brian Roberts, N B'ham Member, to host a W/E in St Albans next year, no further details. Treasurer/Membership – FD: paper reports circulated to committee. Draft Accounts need to be approved for insertion in AGM booklet – 2 meetings in August to enable this to be done. 8 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> . Publicity – AM: Artsfest, RH to continue to liaise with them to book stall, as AM is away in next few weeks before and after his wedding. Weekends – DE: later in year Peak District and New Forest being checked for venues; October half term 'Person D' has proposed W/E in Tenby but no interest – DE to check & cancel if necessary.	JG RH ALL
10	AOB: AT reminded committee about the photo competition & most popular event award for AGM. Also buffet required – RH to order this. A chairman is needed to host the meeting – offers? AM offered his apologies for his absence during August due to Wedding.	
Date and time of next meeting: Monday 08 August, plus extra meeting on 21 August to approve AGM Booklet & Accounts		Chair: Dave Elliott

