**Present:** Tim Johns Yvonne Budd Mike Euridge

Alan Cleave Marie Evans Debra Long

Michelle Hamilton-Kendall

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**1. Apologies:** Vikki Jehu, Richard Franks, Celia Vitale

**2. Minutes of last meeting**

Tim has put these on dropbox and we can approve them electronically.

**3. Minutes of AGM**

Tim will add these to dropbox for everyone to see. They will be approved at AGM in 2018.

**4. Matters Arising**

None.

**5. 50th Anniversary Events**

* **Fashion Show** – Amy Finch was in attendance for this part of the meeting, as Amy is taking the lead on this event. Amy confirmed that the date proposed for the fashion show is 22nd April 2017. The venue will be Exeter Corn Exchange and the cost is £765 and a £225 deposit would be required to confirm booking. Amy said that both her and Vikki Charters had spent time approach local stores about the event and supplying clothes, although for the majority the response was they needed to write to Head Office in the first instance. Amy is anticipating it would be run similar to the gala and tickets would be sold – possibly at a cost of £7.00 per adult and £4.00 per child. In a previous event it was Bev Spragg who took the lead and Amy said she had her folder, which gave some advice/suggestions what to do in terms of sponsors. It was agreed that a sponsor should look to be found and help with costs for this event. Mike suggested Newberry Scrap Metals, as they have helped at past events. There would be a cost for insurance of the clothes being used. It was suggested an M/C should be asked and a suggestion was Ben Clarke from Radio Exe, or Mark Tyler – as he has links to the gym club. At the previous event they had players from the rugby club and may be these could be asked again – or football club – although there was concern about the time for this event being in April, the teams would be still playing. There is a lot to do to prepare and the Trustees asked Amy to email them for any help they can offer. Mike offered to try and get a sponsor. Letters would need to be written to shops.
* **Treasure Hunt** – This was included on list as Yvonne had already started to put together a local treasure hunt. This could be done in the Spring/Summer and could incorporate a BBQ at the gym club.
* **Quiz Night** – Marie suggested a quiz night run along the similar lines as they do at Maynards School, where they sell tickets which includes a fish and chip supper. They have an alcohol licence to sell wine, beer etc. This could be an event held later in the year, possibly October. This could be discussed at a later date
* **Other Suggestions** – The Trustees didn’t want too many events and though what had been suggested so far could be enough. But if there were other suggestions, these could be looked at if they were not too onerous to organise.
* **Gala** – This has been agreed for 16th December and it is hoped that this could incorporate a cheese/wine event after for guests to be able to have time to chat and talk about the history of the gym club amongst each other. It was agreed that pictures and details of the history of the club be put together and displayed.

**6. Coaching Report**

Mike gave an update to the Trustees. Membership was good in all groups. There are still close links with the University, Ellen Tinkum School, Cheer group and now a new Tai Kwon Do group were renting one of the rooms. Other health and fitness groups have also made enquiries to the gym club. Mike said a new coach has been appointed to coach Victor and has been supported by British Gymnastics and to support his national duties with the GB squad.

Staffing is good and the Young Leaders/coaches have attended a Safeguarding and Protection course. Coaches are taking various levels of exams to compliment the work of all groups within the gym club.

**7. Treasurer’s Report**

Yvonne circulated accounts to Trustees.

**6. Date of next meeting**

Thursday 9th February.

This meeting would be to follow up and support Amy with the Fashion Show.