



National Education Union

Southern Derbyshire District

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Minutes of the General Meeting 16th September 2021

Committee Meeting - 18:00

1. Present & Apologies

Present:, Chris Baldwin. Daniel Bracken-Neale, Philippa Saddington, Monica White, Tim Wherly, Julie Nall, Rob Bannister (vice chair).

Apologies: Robin Pardo Roquez (chair), Louisa Senior, Deborah Turner, Simon Patchett, Beth Angris, Jeffrey Moule, Richard Smith, Rachel Jayne, Charla Fletcher-Eaton (Notts), Kay Lilleyman, Kev Baldwin, Susan O'Boyle, Peter Bayley-Bligh, Wendy Hall

2. Minutes proposed by Philippa Saddington. Seconded by – Monica White. All agreed. Conference dates 10th April to 14th April. Conference attendees to be confirmed. Bournemouth Hotel booked. 2023 is Harrogate. 2024 possibly Manchester.

3. CB Secretary Report Main focus being updating website and social media, email, cohesive approach to communication, training sign up, Workload Campaign, MP aid, Pay Conditions & Appraisal, Assisting members. Issues. Primary school rep density drive, traditionally difficult re feeling of being targeted. Primary hub meeting possible. Primary visit days to show physical presence. Operate at trust level to find lead reps (JCC). Connect with Bea Harvey around John Taylor and De Ferrers MAT. Supply Staff feeling forgotten – connect with Region around Supply Staff.

Comments from chair, websites looking good and useful to share with members. Fixed an inaccuracy around past president.

DN the Treasurer Reports. Annual accounts complete, Small Business Accounts in use, and will be

submitted to Head Office. Reasonable rate and good service. Freebies and merch could potentially engage, recruit, and develop rep density. Incentivising engagement (Southern Derbyshire branding). Dual purpose In principle vote with digital voting to follow to meet quorum. Pens (double ended and metal), laser pens, tote bags, star highlighters, bamboo mugs, water bottles, post its to be investigated. Lanyards not appropriate.

General Meeting

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Apologies: As above

2. More Than A Score Campaign. CB presented information about the More Than A Score campaign ([Report](#)). Meeting attendees to encourage members to sign the petition.

3. Equality Issues. 24th, 25th, 26th, Disabled members conference online. JN booked in, DN unavailable.

4. Issues in Schools There was general discussion, Granville and De Ferrers Trust heading towards single status approach to support staff pay. Initial consultation meeting on Monday 20th Sep – CB to attend. Difficulty in ability to host meetings at Granville, but possibility to host at Pingle. Also, directed time an issue at Granville. Support staff concern around extra duties, including lunchtime supervision and ALT; said to be Trust Policy but doesn't seem to be at Pingle. NEU 'job creep' survey on its way. Other schools asking for support at lunchtimes from staff – but not a part of Directed Time. CEV member sick pay discussion, and NEU/ACAS information shared. Issue discussed around behaviour and FTE.

5. Future Meetings

Sep 16th - Railway

Nov 24th – Belper?

Jan 20th – Seven Wells?

March 17th - Railway

April (conference)

May 11th – Bridge?

July 6th – Railway

Hybrid Meetings to be researched and implemented

6. AOB

Travel expenses, agreed in principle but to be voted upon at next meeting during Treasurer Report. Online support staff conference upcoming. Link to be shared. Online training available to book onto, recent email from East Midlands NEU.

Meeting Closed 17:30