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SOUTHERN DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT

General Meeting – 2nd February 2023

The Dragon, Willington - DE65 6BP

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Committee Agenda

- 1) Present Chris Baldwin (secretary), Dan Bracke-Neale (treasurer), Robin Pardo Roques (chair), Robin Bannister, Amanda Turner, Gina Worth, Peter Turner, Lee Bateman, Beth McAuley, Vicki Roberts, Kerry Lowes, Sam Barker, Ann Hall, Megan Crummey, Ruth Hayter. Julie Nall, Monica White, Deborah Turner, Sara Wroe.
 - Apologies P Saddington
- 2) Minutes from 7th December 2022 accepted with addition of RB and GW present names, this has been updated. CB specified that the 8th March Slice of India is the AGM.
 RB proposed, GW seconded. All in favour who attended the meeting.
- 3) Secretary's Report. CB shared a written report and invited questions and discussion around the points mentioned. DBN and CB discussed current caseload and importance of support. There was also discussion around the variety of levels of support/discrimination from senior leaders in schools. RPR asked about whether there was a line from leadership unions around supporting members. DT said that NAHT are supportive (D Wood involved in SJCC). RPR said that a clear message and united approach from all levels would be helpful and prevent dilution of action. KL questioned how we can get partners and schools. RPR suggested as text targeting members and F2F to build rep density through invitations to future meetings, DBN encouraged all members to

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check details up to date. RB suggested using MAT networks to help encourage members to become reps.

4) Treasurer's Report. DBN invited reimbursement for strike breakfast receipts for reps. Also explained about the process of claiming mileage. CB to update signing in form to incorporate member's postcodes. MW and DT discussed the strike implications to pay. Re hardship criteria, DBN, RB and RPR all discussed carefully considering the criteria. DBN to find out whether support staff who refused to cross a picket line are eligible for hardship applications. RPR proposed giving the hardship committee the powers to increase the hardship fund as appropriate. DBN said we'd CB to ask Charlotte Hunter about EMET pay arrangement.

General Meeting Agenda

- 1) Present & Apologies as above
- 2) Conference Delegation & Priority Motions. RPR gave an overview of the process and experience of conference. There was a discussion around the motions and the meeting agreed to prioritise motions 2, 17, 20, 29, 34, 54.

Delegation: -

Chris Baldwin, Rob Bannister, Robin Pardo-Roques, Lee Bateman, Sara Wroe, Kerry Lowes, Gina Worth, Philippa Saddington, Monica White, Julie Nall.

- 3) Executive Nominations. CB requested that we move this to the next meeting to conserve time.
- 4) Industrial Action information. CB stated this had already been discussed.
- 5) Issues in Schools. There was a discussion held around the atmosphere in school the day after strike action.
- 6) Future Meetings

Wednesday 8th March (AGM) – Slice of India, DE56 2DL Thursday 11th May – The Dragon Willington, DE65 6BP Wednesday 5th July – The Bulls Head Belper, DE56 2DL

7) AOB (in advance to C. Baldwin if possible)

RB may be able to attend Keith Venables meeting— 20th Feb. CB to circulate information.

CB proposed £500 spend for NEU beanie hats. RPR seconded. All in favour.

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