

SELKIRK COLONIAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

Location: Conservative Club, Selkirk

Date: 8th March 2023

Time: 7:30pm



Agenda Items

1. Welcome and apologies – Jim Bunyan welcomed everyone.

19 members attended the meeting and apologies received from 4 members.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Sheila Lockie proposed minutes and seconded by Sandy Monks.

3. Matters arising from previous minutes

It was agreed all minutes will be distributed to members the week after each meeting.

4. Correspondence

Email received from Caroline Cochrane to request if the Society would like to make another donation this year to Blooming Selkirk. It was agreed that we will again be donating £50 this year. Elana will reply to Caroline to advise.

5. Formal Appointment of CSB 2023

Neil Heatlie was confirmed as Selkirk Colonial CSB for 2023 and this will be added to the website and Facebook.

Ian Clapperton stated that traditionally the Merchant Company should announce their SB first then other Societies would follow with their announcements.

6. Treasurer's Report and Remarks from Auditor

- Good year and accounts are in good order with no issues.
- Martin thanked Ian Clapperton for his audit comments and Ian thanked Martin for the excellent manner in which they accounts had been maintained
- Profit of £235.13.
- It was advised by Martin we need to increase income in view of higher costs.
- Donations – see item 7.
- Books and CD's discussed with agreement to push sales at reduced cost.
- Members agreed to increase Bussin' Concert tickets to £3.
- Members also agreed to leave the Reception ticket price unchanged, subject to meal price.

Society Accounts was approved by Aileen Firth and Seconded by Andy Moyes.

7. Donations for 2023

It was agreed donations will remain the same as issued last year. JB has approached St Joseph's Primary regarding the choir attendance at this year's Bussin' Concert and we can gauge numbers in attendance.

8. Member Subscriptions

Member Subscriptions are due again on 1st April 2023 and these will be concluded last Friday in April.

9. Appointment of Office Bearers

JB advised the members that only the Chairman's post is up for re-election this year and invited any proposals.

Martin Murray will remain as Treasurer and Elana Lawrie will remain as Secretary.

Lindsay Cockburn proposed Ian Clapperton as new Chairman, and this was Seconded by Andy Moyes.

Jim Bunyan agreed to step down as Chairman as this would allow him time to spend with his close family.

10. Common Riding 2023

JB confirmed he has spoken to Neil Heatlie and has brought him up to speed with the Bussin' Concert and flag practice requirements. We will need to get a German flag for the Reception as we do not currently have one. Neil's Mother, Catriona Heatlie was confirmed as Neil's Lady Busser.

11. Any other competent business

Closing date for applications for CSB 2024 is today and these will be announced to members at the next meeting in May.

Membership application received from Steven Squance who is an ex Royal Burgh Standard Bearer and Vice President of the ELSS, Steven lived and worked in Dublin for 3 years between 2007-2010. Members accepted this application and this will be confirmed in writing by Elana Lawrie.

Lewis requested that the financial report is printed in large print as this is never easy to view.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on Thursday 4th May 2023 at 7:30pm in Selkirk Conservative Club.

Meeting closed 8.25pm
