



Minutes of the Got to Read AGM

Thursday 14th September 2017 at 19 Tower St, Ipswich

Present:(Trustees) Kay McElhinney, Theo Clarke, Priscilla Todd, Angela Gage, Tracy Bose (CEO)
(Volunteers) PJ Baldry, J Driscoll, A Stendall, S Woods, M Burt, E Gornall

Minutes taken by Angela Gage

Apologies: karina Holland (Secretary)

Minutes of the last AGM were confirmed as accurate and were adopted. No forward actions noted.

Chair and CEO reports:

- Detailed reports attached
- Thanks were passed on to all involved with the work at Tower St. and to Tracy, Moira and Angela
- Noted that it has been a tough year for charities
- Enjoying the office space at Tower House after the upheaval of moving out of the library
- Thank you to Anna for all her support and hard work especially from the students. The welcome she gave made a difference
- We have had a steady pattern of students around 20 through the year.
- We are now partnering with Lets Talk Reading
- Advertising leaflets for GtR have gone in to school book bags
- We are reaching more parents who would like help and support

Treasurer's report:

- Detailed report attached
- Actively looking for more fund raising activities
- Looking to move AGM and end of year closer

Election of Trustees:

Karina Holland gave her resignation today. Lisa Butler retired earlier in the year.

Re-election of trustees agreed

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General update:

- The church have plans to make more big changes to Tower Street and to expand as a community space
- A tenants committee has been created
- The room that we are currently using will be a communal use meeting room
- Our new room will be an upstairs – two spaces; one for admin and the other for reading
- There is no new cafe coming but we have tried to make the reception area a little more welcoming. Tracy thanked everyone (particularly Sue) who had helped to make this possible
- A new computer access suite will be opening shortly. A printing press company has taken space. So a new community is starting to be built.
- Woodbridge: Students have not come forward to make use of the space at the Salvation Army although we are still using the library with 2 students.
- Still have a mismatch of many volunteers looking to get involved and fewer students