

East Midlands Region

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Minutes

Meeting of East Midlands Regional Members Forum

3 December 2009

Meeting commenced: 16.00; meeting closed 16.35

Location: Melton Mowbray

Present

D Gould – Chair, R Howell – Sec , John Freear – President and Trustee, Sue Price, Duncan Robertson, Amanda Robinson, Ed Cooke, Tony Lewis, Jennifer Lawson, Peter Minhinnett, Damian Wilkins, Ella Wheeldon, Rosemary Herrett, Janet Young, Paul Whymark, Martin Cooke, Patricia Hodgkinson.

Agenda Item	Action
1 Apologies for absence	Received from Steve Bruce, Ann Green, Bev Green, Steve Bidwell, Roy Smart, Andy Statham, Lisa Forshaw.
2 Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising	The minutes of the last meeting were AGREED as being a true record. There were no matters arising.
3 Chairman's Report	The Board met every two months throughout 2009. Highlights of the year were the business plan and budget bid, the success of the 5 + 1 training programme, the appointment of Steve Bidwell to the support officer role, work of the three trustees, John Freear, Steve

		<p>Bidwell and Andy Statham, continuing international links, regional conference and an ELP training day. It is hoped that 2010 will see a continuation of this good work..</p>
4	Regional Executive Officer	<p>Steve Bidwell has agreed to take on the role and is supporting the Region and Branches to ensure member support at all levels.</p>
5	5 + 1 2009/10	<p>East Midlands Region has supplied the highest number of CPD hours per member of any CIEH region. Three 5 + 1 seminars are included in the 2009 statistics. There should be 6 in 2010. Thanks given to the Heads of Service across the Region for their support. A positive offshoot of the 5 + 1 programme is a Heads of Service Group for the region represented by County Group secretaries which is working well. Ideas for 5 + 1 topics welcome – also thoughts on potential key note speakers like Professor Pennington.</p>
6	Trustees	<p>The meeting was also reminded that Branch input into CPD hours is still important. Keep doing it and keep recording it. Meeting was advised that Trustees reports will be put on the CIEH East Midlands website.</p>
7	Regional Conference Report 2009	<p>Once again was a successful event. Although there was a slight decrease in delegates numbers were still satisfactory. Feedback was positive about the speakers and the event in general. Financially it broke even. The 2010 event is to be a joint East and West Midlands venture for the first time. It is hoped that this will see increased numbers and provide increased security for the event. The event will be on a Wednesday and Thursday in May. Speakers are currently being confirmed. Fees are expected to be £140 for one day and £ 280 for two days.</p>
8	Financial report	<p>DG gave a verbal report on behalf of the Treasurer. Regional accounts are in good shape. Full details to be put on the website.</p>
9	Consideration of any motions	<p>None</p>

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. Ed Cooke thanked the Board for getting Steve Bidwell on board to help with branch issues and asked that the Board try to keep members informed on potential government changes.

Tony Lewis advised that there needed to be an awareness of what LBRO were doing if there are no changes.

Ed Cooke thanked the Board for its work in 2009.

A request was made to members for ideas on future forums to encourage member involvement.

Meeting closed 16.35