



Bramley Parish Theatre Players

Minutes of the AGM

held on Saturday 22nd. September 2018 in
St. Peter's Lower Hall beginning at 6.00 pm

1. The Chairman welcomed all those present and thanked people for coming along to take such an active part in the running of the group.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Carolynn Dickinson, Janice Whitehead, Emma Smith, Joe Smith, Amanda Don, Nicky Knightley and Robyn Saunders.
3. Minutes of the 2017 AGM were not available due to the illness of our Secretary.
4. Dean gave a **Director's report** in which he thanked everyone for embracing the changes he had made in the organisation of rehearsals and the addition of Wednesday evenings. He was very happy to have welcomed new people to be involved both on stage and offstage as well as having the continued support of longstanding members. The increase in numbers meant that the ensemble was much improved – especially noticeable in the opening song and providing a lively, busy bustle to the market in Peking. Looking ahead, after the success of this year's production he hoped that we would continue to increase audience numbers as we had done last year.
5. Judith presented the **Financial Report with annual accounts**. We had had some unusual expenditure this year to upgrade the back of stage and add an extension out front. Also costs have risen this year – rent, insurance, Noda membership, and this will need to be addressed during next year if we are to stay solvent. **Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Jeff Allman and seconded by John Snowden. They were approved unanimously.** Judith had previously announced that she did not wish to continue as Treasurer and was thanked by the Chairman for her 25 years active support of BPTP in many roles both on and off stage, most recently as Treasurer. The whole meeting showed their appreciation of her work in a round of applause.

6. Election of Officers and Committee

a) Chair:

Edward Turner proposed by John Snowden and seconded by Shirley Allman.

b) Secretary:

Carolynn Dickinson proposed from the chair. Zoe Taylor offered to help if needed

c) Treasurer:

Sue Law proposed by Jeff Allman and seconded by Linda Chippendale.

d) Safeguarding Co-ordinator:

Janice Whitehead proposed from the chair. **The current team is Janice Whitehead, Emma Smith, Emma Whitehead.** Linda Chippendale and Peter Coulby said they were qualified in this area and would be happy to help, if needed. Neither of them wished to stand for the role of Safeguarding Co-ordinator.

e) Director (already chosen following the Pantomime)

Dean Patrick

f) Other Committee Members including Publicity Secretary and Booking Secretary:

Shirley Allman, Amanda Don, Trevor Smith, John Snowden

7. Amendments to Constitution – Safeguarding; Data Protection

The two amendments to the constitution were read out and accepted unanimously without discussion.

8. Membership fees.

There was a lively discussion followed by a **proposal: 'Membership fees for this initial year should be introduced at the annual rate of £5.00 per adult and £2.50 per child' proposed by Peter Coulby and seconded by Jeff Allman.** 13 in favour with none against. Abstentions were not counted. The committee would address the problems of who is deemed a member and should pay and who a volunteer and exempted.

9. Any items suggested for discussion in future committee meetings.

No items were raised

10. The chairman thanked all who had prepared the refreshments to accompany this evening and all present for attending.

11. View DVD of Aladdin 2018