



Committee meeting minutes	23/08/2020 10:00am	<b>Zoom</b> - https://zoom.us/j/96107761705	
Chair of the meeting:	Paul R	Paul welcomed everyone and started the meeting with a moments silence, followed by the serenity prayer.	
Reading of 12	Babs T		
Concepts:			
Agenda items for	Introductions		
meeting:	Opening treasury balance		
	Reports		
	AOB		
	Request for funds		
	Closing treasury balance		
	Next meeting date		
Those present:	Paul R - Chair		
	Babs T - Treasurer		
	Neil P – Vice Chair		
	Jez C - Webservant		
Apologies:	Dave P		Dave has had to step back for the time being.





		Sussex Area Offiliae Committee (SAOC)	
Position Vacant:	Vice-treasurer (3yr ct) Minutes Sec (1yr ct) Webservants, 2 positions (1yr ct)		Please announce in meetings. Positions still available: Vice-treasurer (3yr ct) Minutes Sec (1yr ct) Webservants x 2 (1yr ct)
Approval of last meetings minutes:	Babs T		
Opening treasury balance:	Nil	No funds held at the moment.	
Chair report:	Paul R	Nothing much to report at the moment. Neil attended the ASC on my behalf. Website stats for July to August looking good. 4399 page views from 418 users. Main hits were: On-line meetings, For Members, Audio Shares, Tradition 7, Service Meetings.  Planning a sit down with Neil to refresh my memory on some site admin.	Paul will attend ASC and give report. ASC – Wed 16/09/20
Vice Chair report:	Neil P	Neil attended August ASC and delivered our report. I was also ratified as Vice Chair. No questions returned from the body. ASC have highlighted the fact that we need a stipend and will await our input.  Neil has contacted our special worker to look into setting up the on-line store and also for cookie popup.	Neil will look into setting up the ASC email address so that webservant becomes solely for the use of SAOC.  Neil will follow up on webstore and cookie pop up and will try to get Aimee along to the next meeting.





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Jez C	Nothing much to report at the moment due to holiday/work etc.  Neil has been covering weekly updates at the moment.	Jez will arrange a date with Neil in the coming week to continue with the 12 step handover of webservant position.
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AOB:	SAOC Service Positions	Babs asked about the service positions required and the	Babs will make the suggested
	SAOC Guidelines	duties for SAOC. Firstly, she asked for clarification on the	changes and post them to slack s
	SLACK	vice chairs duties. Do they need to attend LSC? Neil	we can all have some input.
		suggested that the vice chair should attend LSC as the	
		website contains a lot of public information and would also	
		could also provide support for any hybrid meetings etc	
		moving forward. Secondly, about the possible role of an	
		Editor/Copywriter. Do we need it at the moment? Paul	
		suggested that this was something that was needed at the	
		beginning but not so important at the moment, but we	
		could maybe cover this between us all at the moment.	
		Babs then shared the working document for our guidelines.	
		She suggested that we have it as a "live document" so we	
		can keep amending and updating as we go. Some initial	
		changes that need to be made are: To try and streamline	
		the use of full title and abbreviation, update the statement	
		of quality, adapt them to more than just website	
		guidelines, points of accountability and responsibilities.	
		Slack is now running on the free version and seems to have	
		everything we need. Babs highlighted some of the benefits	
		of Slack and the better anonymity it offers.	
		The committee also discussed the benefits of moving the	
		time and day of our meeting. It was decided that as we	
		only meet on line we can be flexible with this. The next	
		meeting was moved forward a day to Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	
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Request for funds:	Nil		
Closing treasury	Nil	No funds held at the moment.	
balance:			
Next meeting date:	Saturday 19/09/2020 10:00am	<b>Zoom</b> - https://zoom.us/j/96107761705	Meeting closed with the serenity prayer.