

LYMINGTON FILM SOCIETY

MINUTES OF AGM

Fuller McLellan Hall, Sunday 8th April 2018, 6.55 pm

1. ATTENDANCE

Committee members: Nigel Seth-Smith (AGM Chair), Sally Johnston, Yvonne Mackenzie, Stephen Akester, Margaret K. Marsh. Apologies from Annabel Foot and Nick Korbey.

LFS members: 16 present. TOTAL ATTENDANCE 21

2. MINUTES OF AGM 2017 AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minutes of AGM held on 9th April 2017 were circulated and approved by the floor.

3. CHAIR REPORT 2017-2018

Annabel Foot, via PowerPoint presentation, kindly presented by Nigel Seth-Smith in her absence, reported that:

. 9th season (monthly shows October- May) is going very well with membership up to 65 compared to 60 in the last season

. Attendance of both members and non-members is holding with feedback and ratings from members suggesting a well-received programme

. LFS promotion on Market Day, local press, Lymington Centre newsletter and cinema programme, Rumour Control and word of mouth continues to bring benefits

. LFS taking over caretaking duties and website hosting is going well

. Thanks were given to LFS members and committee members & partners for their continued support

. Thanks also given to The Lymington Centre for backing LFS and to its volunteers who run the bar

4. ACCOUNTS 2017-2018 (attached)

. Up to March 2018 the draft accounts show a positive balance of £981.04; the costs of two more shows are still to be included (NB, this does not include any room charges).

5. DISCUSSION ARISING FROM REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

. Members were invited to suggest films to be considered for the next season and email to LFS

. A remind was made that It is still in the interest of LFS and The Centre to have a pay at the door option; it welcomes the occasional guest and is a good source of income as ticket prices are in line with The Malt at £5.50 and £6.50 at present

. We should continue to promote and invite friends to join/attend the films to keep membership and attendance strong and steady

. The committee will consider the suggestion of introducing a short commentary about the film at the start of each show

. In view of healthy accounts there are no changes in LFS membership fees at £20.00 (in addition to Lymington Centre Membership).

- . If The Centre re-introduces room charges it is important to be informed in advance so that LFS can make plans to keep a positive balance
- . It was observed that LFS is a welcome source of income to The Centre
- . The Accounts were approved by the floor
- . Tom McEwen thanked Annabel Foot and committee members for their work and a successful season

6. ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE

- . Margaret K. Marsh steps down from the committee at the end of the season; the committee and the floor thanked her for her help
- . The other six members volunteered to stay in the committee; they are re-elected, proposed by Barbara McEwen and seconded by Don Mackenzie
- . Members were invited to contact the committee if they have an interest in joining and it was suggested that likewise the committee can always approach members to ask for help on show days if needed

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- . LFS is privileged to be able to host Mike Pruss, Executive Vice President of Scott Free Productions (founded by Ridley Scott and Tony Scott) for a show and talk on the film **Equals**. It will happen in July and it was suggested that preference is given to a Sunday evening, open to members and non-members (*if licensing regulations permit; to be checked*), promoted to the public (*if permitted*) and that members will be informed when a date is arranged by the committee
- . LFS is approaching its 10th anniversary and members were encouraged to email suggestions on how to mark/celebrate the occasion
- . The committee thanked the members present and Nigel Seth-Smith for running the meeting; the AGM closed at 7.35 pm. Raffle of the films of the season followed and raised £31.00

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