



MINUTES OF THE LSA TRUSTEES MEETING 21st JANUARY 2016

Present:

Kate Livingston (KL) (Chair), Tony Cartwright (TC) (Treasurer), David Haedicke (DH) (Secretary), Alison Chantrey (AC) (Membership Secretary), David Phillips (DP)

Apologies: James Callaghan

By Invitation: Morgan Forth (MF)

The meeting commenced at 10 am at Deasil.

KL welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Financial discussion

TC reported that LSA has approximately £2,000 in its current account, £14,000 in its savings account (this includes £4,000 restricted as to use) and £500 in the PayPal account. These amounts are net of bills for Art In The Park for February and for the upcoming issue of ArtSpace.

2. Membership

AC reported that membership now stands at 249, a continuation of the decline in membership previously noted.

3. LSA Logo

AC distributed copies of proposed designs for the LSA logo and led a discussion of the logo and potential alternatives. At its conclusion, AC agreed to take suggestions to the designer and bring further suggested designs to the next meeting of the Trustees.

ACTION: AC

4. Art In The Park

KL reported that she has been invited to join the Board of the new non-profit organization being set up to manage AITP.

LSA is also featured as a founder on the web site for AITP. AC will note LSA's support for AITP in the next newsletter.

There was discussion of the extent of LSA's involvement in AITP's next event in August 2016. Ideas suggested included a separate marquee for LSA or a separate marquee and a gazebo that would provide direction to East Lodge. There was note of the need to coordinate and support Warwickshire Open Studios' Summer Event between June 18 and July 3 and to also coordinate involvement with AITP in August with LSA's annual Summer Show. There was some thought that this might involve moving the Summer Show to a date in September but that might conflict with Warwickshire College's beginning of classes. The possibility of a Spring Art Show in the Leamington Town Hall, perhaps on a weekend in May, was also discussed.

5. East Lodge

KL reported that Morgan Forth has volunteered to manage East Lodge on behalf of LSA. MF commented that he looked forward to forming a committee of volunteers in helping to manage East Lodge and all agreed that there is much to be done to put East Lodge in good repair so that it is attractive to artists who opt to take on studio space and for LSA shows. All agreed that MF should target an opening gala of East Lodge on February 21st, with announcements in the newsletter and on the web site encouraging members to attend.

6. AOB

TC suggested that LSA should engage someone or an organization to manage the LSA web site. There was a unanimous agreement on this as an action. TC to follow up on candidates for this role for discussion at the next meeting.

ACTION: TC

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am. Trustees then went to East Lodge for a walk through and for publicity pictures with Carole Sleight and the AITP team.