

## **MINUTES OF MUNGRISDALE WRITERS AGM 13/10/16**

Apologies: Trevor Sylvia, Christine Dorothy and Kirsty

1. The minutes of the last AGM were accepted as a true record of the previous year, proposed by Angela and seconded by Madge.
2. Sue read the chairman's report, proposed by Cathy and seconded by Lorraine.
3. Madge read the treasurer's report which revealed that we no longer have a cushion of money to help support the weekly classes. At this time we have a balance of £573.61. Her report was proposed by Simon and seconded by David.
4. Election of Committee- There was no need to have the proposed secret ballot to elect the committee as there was one person standing for each post.  
Charles nominated Cathy for the post of chair, seconded by Colin.  
Charles nominated Lorraine for the post of secretary, seconded by Colin.  
Lorraine nominated Mary for the treasurer, seconded by Madge.  
Cathy nominated Simon for media secretary, seconded by Lorraine.  
Again we will have two committee members who will support the work of the committee but have no specific post.  
One of these will again be Charles, nominated by Cathy and seconded by Colin. The other will be Tanya, nominated by Charles and seconded by Cathy. All were unopposed and said they were happy to take the posts.
5. There ensued a detailed discussion about our financial situation but it was explained to the group that we did not have the power to change the annual fee at the AGM as we have not given the group a two week notice of the change. Angela thought she could do an occasional Saturday session in Penrith in order to contact more potential members. Anne suggested that we could have sessions at the Mill Inn with no charge. As the weekly rent is not inconsiderable, Cathy agreed to contact Ann Manger in the hope of obtaining a reduction. Colin said that he would see if he could help by getting an article in The Weekly Times and Star. Angela thought that The

Wordsworth Trust might be willing to help. Madge said that cash flow would be greatly helped if all annual membership fees were paid by the Christmas Lunch. Lorraine agreed that she would send out an email to all members making it clear that we need the £30 cheques asap.

Simon and Charles were happy to begin thinking about a Mungrisdale Writers pamphlet to leave at suitable venues. The whole group was inspired by the new energy and we are all determined to keep the group going.

6. Mary said she would try to find a new examiner for the accounts.
7. Cathy as chair brought the meeting to a close and we set the date 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017 for the next AGM.