

BLU Committee Meeting, 11th December 2017 7pm-9pm Location: The Florence – Dulwich Road SE24

Attendees: CJ Faucher, Bianca Ioannides, Yvonne Levy, Carolyn Weniz, Shelley Silas, Sara Atkinson, Lara Mifsud-Bonici

Apologies: Humphrey Keenlyside, Jessica Ryan-Ndegwa, Peter Burgess, Guy Wickett

1. Minutes of 31st October and any outstanding actions.

The minutes were approved.

Herne Hill Market sessions went very well, BLU will look to continue this in 2018. Transfer of secretary e-mail to LMB has now been completed. All other actions agreed.

2. Proposed Constitutional Changes 2018

A) Nominated Attendees at BLU/BLSG AGM

Whilst there is a general consensus that all nominees should be present at the AGM, it is recognised that this is not always possible for varying reasons. It was agreed that should a nominee be unable to attend the AGM for reasons only approved beforehand by the BLU Committee, a presentation could be made on their

B) Attendance at meetings

behalf.

As members are volunteers it was recognised that it is not always possible to attend all meetings in person. As a group, BLU communicates in various ways including via e-mail. Where urgent comment is required, this can be achieved via e-mail or WhatsApp if applicable.

A majority decision was reached not to present a change to the constitution wording on either subject at the next AGM in 2018.

However, all prospective nominees will be reminded that there is an expectation to attend the <u>majority</u> of meetings in a calendar year.

3. Look back at 2017 and Strategic Review for 2018

The committee covered the main points for 2017 including the loss of Lido staff, the 80th Birthday celebrations, events at the Lido, maintenance and building issues.

Focus for 2018:

It was agreed that BLU's focus should continue to be on the overall customer experience at the Lido, timely maintenance and suitable events that attract customers to the Lido.

There are ongoing concerns with classes that need resolving and communication to class users by Fusion need to be improved.

Feedback to BLU has been that there are some classes who feel left out and more should be done to ensure that all users feel included.

Some gym equipment needs improving and this will be pursued directly with Lido Mgnt.

It was clear at the Market Stall Session, where comments from several members of the public associated the Lido with a swimming only facility — which is NOT the case. BLU represents **ALL** Lido users, including gym, spin, classes and sauna.

Continue to support other user groups, e.g. Windrush, Streamline Swims and others.

The Lido Café:

Concerns over commitment to swimmers not being met, including opening of Beach Hut. BLU to continue to work with Fusion to improve general service for swimmers, especially when the Hut is closed.

Members:

More focus on our members and having fun in the Lido, organising celebrations for members as a bolt on to some events where possible.

Events:

Explore holding events with other stakeholders Market Days FOBP

Raising the Profile of BLU

Revisit the wording on the Website New Merchandise (for Committee Members initially) Local event involvement revisited.

4. BLU Finances

All those present were reminded that it is now end of year and all expenses need to be submitted asap.

HHMarket generated high levels of income. Audit of remaining stock to be carried out. ACTION: SA

5. Chairman's Award

Chairman's Award went to LMB, SA, YH & SS for their magnificent efforts at the two HHM sessions. Persevering against horrendous weather challenges.

6. AOB

Question raised as to whether we continue to publish all minutes on the website. tbc Some filming planned at Lido, need to check if this will mean any pool closures

Pursue remedy of enlarged roof water tanks at the Lido, with Fusion asap.

Date of next meeting: to be set via Doodle Poll in January 2018.