MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ORPINGTON VIDEO AND FILM MAKERS

Held in the All Saints Church Hall, Barkhart Road, Orpington on Tuesday 1st April, 2014

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**: Sam Brown, Chris Coulson, Barbara & Ron Darby, Tony Keable, Brian Pfeiffer, Alan Smith & Cherie Hamlet-Smith, Barbara Walker

35 members signed the Attendance Sheet

- **2. MINUTES OF THE 2013 AGM and EGM** were adopted and signed Adoption proposed by Ian Menage Seconded by Brenda Wheatley
- 3. MATTERS ARISING No matters were raised
- **4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** Attached to Master Copy and on Notice Board Adoption proposed by John Alford Seconded by Jess Pugh
- **5. SECRETARY'S REPORT** Attached to Master Copy and on Notice Board Adoption proposed by Peggy Parmenter Seconded by Andy Watson
- **6.TREASURER'S REPORT** Spreadsheet and Report attached to Master Copy and on Notice Board:

The Treasurer recommended that subs. should remain at current levels.

NEW CLUB EQUIPMENT and LOCATION OF CURRENT ASSETS

A new laptop has been bought, we plan to buy projection equipment (see Members Voices) New locations list for Current Assets is available, a list of Equipment that Members can borrow will be put on the Member's section of the website.

Adoption proposed by Barbara Darby Seconded by Peter Mitchell

7. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

The President took the Chair and gave appreciation for Simon's first year as Chairman. Unfortunately we received no nominations for new committee members so Simon agreed to remain as Chairman, if re-elected, but other members would have to help with his responsibilities. The President read out the nominations received as follows:

Chairman: Simon Earwicker

Vice Chairman Sam Brown

Secretary Freddy Beard

Treasurer David Laker

Competitions Officer Brenda Wheatley

Ordinary Members: Annabelle and Reg Lancaster, Ian Menage, Lee Relph, Andy Watson

Members voted unanimously for these committee members – no abstentions.

8. ELECTION OF AUDITORS

Barbara J, Darby and Jim Morton Robertson kindly agreed that they would both continue.

Adoption proposed by Pat Palmer Seconded by Brenda Wheatley

MEMBER'S VOICES

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

SPRING SHOW The Treasurer gave details of the money raised at the Spring Show, and thanked everyone for encouraging the very large audience to attend by publicity and personally by friends and family. He hopes that some of the audience might want to join our Club, copies of our leaflet were inserted into every programme.

Anna asked why the 'future shows' slips were not used this year? We have a lengthy list of contacts, many of them respond and attend every year but not all. We agreed that a list could be available on the Ticket desk for new attendees to give their details in future.

NEW CLUB EQUIPMENT Mike Coad reported that at the Frome Festival, they had a Media Player which enables virtually all types of film media to be projected. (Sec. thought that Epsom also used this at the Triangle event)

Andy said that we would need to choose the strength of Lumen's required for a new projector. Members agreed with Simon that around £2000 could be used for new equipment. Possibly Blu Ray equipment and certainly a new screen in the Barnard Room now that the Church have done what was required in the ceiling. The gap there will not hold a very wide screen.

Just Projection was suggested as a good company to demonstrate a good range of projectors. Jim will advise info about other companies.

NEWSREEL. Colin suggested that a list is made at the beginning of each year of Events which should be filmed for the Newsreel. This would help to produce the Newsreel.

We confirmed for Andy Watson, that events not in the Bromley Borough but near to where Member's live, could be filmed and used.

Mike Shaw said that Bromley History would be very interested to see our Newsreels, possibly giving a Show which could raise money. We would have to arrange for next year as their time-table is full for this year.. 1987 was confirmed to Anna as the first full Newsreel although other historical events, such as the 1977 Jubilee were filmed.

EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS: Colin said that someone should push Members into entering films Into these comps. We said that efforts were made, but we cannot force people to enter.

N v S THEME 'IF' David will not be producing a Club film this year, someone else has to have an Idea, write a script and arrange for filming as soon as possible.

PROGRAMME FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

OUTINGS: Colin and John Alford suggested Sands – costumiers, we have visited but could go again. We will again encourage members to choose a Film Museum, most need advance numbers for bookings. Full information published in VF last year will be repeated.

Ideas for Evenings:

Mike Shaw offered his garden for the BBQ. Jim had said that he would do an Evening of his films Ann Epton suggested that Members might be encouraged to take a supplied knitted chick character each and make a simple animated film. Ann volunteered to source the knitted characters. Simon thought this would fit in well with 2014 being OVFMs Year of Animation.

Speakers:

Simon: Andrew Bishop

Peter Mitchell: Gary Mullins would come again

3D Evening – if we can make contact with the Luton man (via Spring Park)

Simon: Graham Kirkman, Top Gear Sound Man

Projects:

Before the meeting, Lee had suggested that a project aimed at groups of members would encourage more Club films to be made, instead of relying on individuals

Mike: an existing film cut into the wrong sequence, to be re-edited into a different story.

Colin: A piece of Music to be used as background for differing subjects.

Christmas cards – as used in a film during his Animation Evening.

Jim: Project title: Close Shave The meeting closed at 10pm