

## ACIP Committee Meeting Minutes



Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2023 at 14:00hrs at the Clubhouse, Le Buisson

Present: Alec Robshaw President  
Jonathan Brooks Vice President  
Shona Wisedale Treasurer  
Apologies : Evelyn Kaplan

Committee members:  
Lianne Lenz Phil Acton  
Julie Healey Lesley Borland  
Maddy Pelzman Jonathan Brooks  
Chris Osborne

ITEM	AGENDA TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1	Welcome & apologies	Alec welcomed those attending the meeting with apologies received from Evelyn.	
2	Signing of the minutes from the previous meeting	The committee minutes of the 7 <sup>th</sup> of May 2023 were approved and will be signed by Alec and uploaded to the website.	Alec
3	Introduction and review of new committee member applications	Following the departure of Andre de Wandeler as President an announcement was sent out to the membership requesting applications for the positions of Vice president or President. With no applications received, Alec and Jonathan were voted in to the position of President and Vice President until the usual AGM in November. There remains two places for additional committee members and we were happy to receive two applicants who were invited to the meeting to introduce themselves and ask questions of the current committee members. After the introductions and some exchanges of views we thanked them both for attending and continued with the meeting.	
4	EGM	With Alec unanimously voted in for in the position of President and Jonathan unanimously voted in as Vice President the committee will continue in this constitution until the next AGM in November. Both positions will be then become available in the usual manner.	

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5	Treasurers Report	The new ACIP website has been completed and the final invoice has been paid. ACIP remains in healthy shape financially.	Shona
6	Membership Report	<p>Julie was happy to report that we now have 331 members. We have 15 nationalities in our wider membership, of which approximately 7 170 are British, 62 French, 29 Dutch and 25 Americans as well as a wide variety of different nationalities making the numbers up to 331.</p> <p>Some members have expressed a view that ACIP is perceived as a British Club. Whilst acknowledging that the majority of our membership speak English either as a first or second language, ACIP is and will always be welcoming to all nationalities and our website and correspondence is normally communicated in 3 languages to cater for our wider membership.</p>	Julie
7	Website update	<p>Alec will upload the website with the Dutch translations (using the the DeepL translation tool) but our Dutch friends will be asked to be kindly tolerant of mistakes. Pages will subsequently be checked by Lianne but we want the Dutch version available as soon as possible, so members are asked to please be patient.</p> <p>Alec will update the website with the recent changes made within the committee structure</p>	<p>Alec Lianne</p> <p>Alec</p>
8	Future/ current strategy updates	The committee has decided on forming an advisory unit to review the ACIP strategy. Meetings to create this team (which will consist primarily of members outside the committee) are taking place. Times have changed and it is good to see if we are still current with our strategy or if it is in need of a change.	Alec
9	Update on the clubhouse premises	<p>The hallway lights have been replaced and are working again.</p> <p>The second exit and repairs to the doors will be done by the Mairie who are waiting on the respective companies to come and finish the job.</p> <p>Painting jobs are planned in the summer holiday when there is less traffic in the ACIP Clubhouse.</p> <p>Moving the key safe and installing additional notice boards will be done shortly.</p> <p>Because the downstairs door is open all day now we have decided to install a lock on the toilet doors on the landing.</p>	<p>Lianne Mairie</p> <p>Chris/Phil etc Lianne</p>

10	Group activities	<p>Jonathan reported that 3 French teachers have decided to stop teaching French at the end of June, but fortunately there are 3 or 4 possible new teachers who have offered to teach from September. The entire Committee asked him to pass on their thanks to Mimi, Suzanne and Marie for their dedication over many years of teaching and it was hoped the 3 or 4 new teachers could be successfully incorporated into the new schedule from September. Having taken over the language class coordination, Jonathan suggested we send out an email to the whole membership to ask who might wish to start French lessons in September, which was agreed by the Committee. He currently knows of 10 people who have expressed a wish to start in September so felt it was likely we would need to start a third beginner's class. He proposed to reconstitute a waiting list if there was more interest than places available.</p> <p>He reported that the meeting with the French teachers had been constructive, but expressed the view that it was difficult to meet all 16 teachers simultaneously so he would like to form a French teacher subcommittee at some point. He will be taking all the teachers out for a thank you lunch on Friday 30th June.</p> <p>Jonathan will check with the group leaders when their classes will end before the summer recess.</p>	Jonathan
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	Recent/ Forthcoming events	<p><b>Group leader lunch</b> Lesley is in contact with a venue for the yearly luncheon planned for the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. The invitation will go out as soon as the date and place have been finalised.</p> <p><b>BBQ:</b> There will be two choices this year, ham and the vegetarian option will be a homemade quiche. Preparations are in hand, there will be a final meeting Tuesday 20/06 at 14:00 at the clubhouse to finalise details. Alec will prepare a schedule for the event and invitations will be send out in the next week. Last date for subscribing for the BBQ will be the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, payment will be by bank transfer in advance.</p> <p><b>Great Gatsby</b> Phil is meeting with the chef of the venue tomorrow to discuss the meal. After this is finalised we can set the price and prepare the invitation to be sent out.</p> <p><b>Vide Grenier</b> Will be discussed in the next meeting,</p> <p>Alec will contact Roger about the Pantomine.</p>	<p>Lesley</p> <p>Alec</p> <p>ALec</p>
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12	AOB	<p>Maddy will go the reunion at the mairie concerning the Forum of Associations.</p> <p>Although the membership has increased steadily the number of volunteers has not. This has become evident as we have to ask the same volunteers every time. A message will be prepared to go out to the membership asking for volunteers to step forward. This is also a nice way for new members to get to know people and get involved in ACIP.</p> <p>The meet and greet process will be reviewed and devised since with the growing membership and the very well attended socials, not all members are met and introduced as we would like. We are therefore looking at ways to improve this process.</p>	<p>Maddy</p> <p>Alec</p> <p>All</p>
13	Date of the next meeting	Monday the 4 <sup>th</sup> of September 14:00 at the clubhouse	All