

**LISKEARD GRAMMAR SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING HELD AT 2PM SEPTEMBER 28TH 2013
IN LOOE MILLPOOL AMENITY CENTRE**

Present were 8 committee members and 28 LGSA members.

1. Chairman's welcome

Anne Norris welcomed all present to the lovely new centre in West Looe, the bad weather forecast had not deterred attendance to the AGM.

The Reunion held this year in Eliot House was very successful with no complaints received.

The Liskeard Show went well on a rather hot day so attendance was less. The Journal team were thanked for their hard work again this year and it was emphasized the need for input and another team member. The Journal has been going for 6 years, 12 issues and the team think it is time for new life possibly to start now before Jack Penrose and Eleanor Hirst stop in 2015.

2. Apologies have been received from: Phillipa Grundy, Lorna Warden, Rosie Culverhouse, Phyllis Cook, Mary Mooney, Gordon Mitchell, Liz Harding and David Tamblin.

3. Adoption of AGM 2012 minutes were proposed by Maggie Willan and seconded by Jack Penrose.

4. Treasurer's report.

The Treasurer provided copies of his report which showed that the Association has made a loss for the previous year of £730.56 and highlighted where the increase in costs had caused this. It was agreed at the previous AGM that the cost to members of the Reunion 2013 should be subsidised and at a subsequent committee meeting this was agreed at £5.00 per head. Costs of production of The Journal plus postage had increased, with less income from the Liskeard Show as a result of good weather! The figures indicated that the costs relating to The Journal plus essential Public Liability Insurance used up the subscription income and Denis felt that now was the time to discuss an increase. After some discussion Terry Botterell proposed that the subscription be increased to £5.00 per annum this was seconded by Joe Billing. When asked for a show of hands there was a majority in favour with one member against the proposal. Subsequently attention has been drawn to the Rules of the Association which prevent an immediate increase as the subject had to be advised to the membership at least six weeks in advance of the AGM. The matter will be formally discussed at the AGM in 2014.

There was further discussion on the subject of Life Members and Chris Eddy felt that these members (of which there are 72, 11 of whom pay already) should be asked to pay in future although Derick Solt felt that this should only be on a voluntary basis and not enforced. It was agreed that a suitable entry would be placed in the next edition of The Journal inviting Life Members to resume payment of a subscription. The accounts were accepted unanimously after proposal by Terry Botterell and seconded by Angela Tamblin. Denis thanked Derick Solt for undertaking the audit.

5. The Archivist's report was given by Alan Richards. There is a change more towards internet and today in the new hall we have made full use of the Wi Fi to show the website. This is run by a non member web master whose background in tv, outside broadcasting, produces a good website. Do those members abroad use it at all we wondered.

6. Election of committee members is to be encouraged as we were all prepared to stay another year, Anne and Denis will stand down next year, it was decided to take a new committee member Keith Cozens proposed by Sally Webb and seconded by Janet Payne.

7. Any Other Business item was the School Song, Derick Solt thought the school song needed a change of tense. He had to go out of the reunion, with a tickly cough while we sang the school song and had noted that it sounded too much in the past tense. Members present felt that this was the way they remembered it and wanted to sing it so no change was proposed.

8. Date of the next AGM will be 27th September 2014 at 2pm in The Liskeard Public Hall.