

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SPECIAL KIDS BEXHILL 2013

PRESENT: SHARON MINTER, LISS C HAVE, PAULA CHAPMAN, SANDRA BLOE, HELEN, VICKY AND DIANE DEAN

APPOLOGIES: NONE

1. Lisa agreed the Minutes of the last meeting and signed them.
2. Suggestions for some forthcoming events were, Thorpe Park as a possible coach trip in the future.
3. Sharon and Lisa were quite surprised by the amount of money that we have in the bank account in comparison to this time last year. A proportion of this was from Sussex Community Grant. Charity Status – if you turn over a profit of £5,000.00. The year end for the Charity Commission is the end of May. In time, between this May and next May we have to make sure we don't go over that figure. Lisa stated that she thinks we will go over that figure. The amount of money in is £8,252.53. Most of this money has been spent out. Public Liability Insurance may go up once we have Charity Status. Lisa said that this will have to be looked at nearer the time. A figure of £8,029.96 off of above figure of £8,252.53 leaves a balance of £1,809.31. Sharon said that the rest of the money that is going in Active Leisure of London, some of it has been already allocated. Lisa stated that last year's Public Liability insurance was £250.00. Lisa stated that it may be possible to get Public Liability for under £200. Bluefin Redbrooth Insurance Brokers do Employer's Liability cover of £10,000, Public Liability £5,000, which covers anyone who does volunteer work. This would cover for example Lisa stated that if someone damaged the coach on a trip. Public Liability Insurance covers if there is an accident on someone's property. Sharon has done this. Activities would be covered under Public Liability Insurance. Sharon pays amounts for any activities and is on the bank statements which she had with her. Money for May half term receipts are given for every activity.
4. The only information Sharon has up-to-date is the Tesco money. Lisa stated that the grant that we got from Sussex Community lists some of the activities.
5. Lisa stated that the Legoland trip last year was £7.00 a head plus coach of £2.00 per person. Sharon stated that next year it will depend on what money there is as to what trips are done. Lisa stated that we can do Legoland or Chessington next year and perhaps one other trip. Lisa is going to be in charge of the coach trips in the future. Sharon stated that Link and the Bexhill Lyons are charities to be approached. Liz one of the members of Special Kids Bexhill works for Spectrum and may be a good idea to perhaps invite them to come along to one of our meetings. Sharon stated 96 families have membership to that service and that Liz is expecting to have more. Lisa stated that we have 350 on our membership.
6. Sharon said that she loves organising the lists of the activities and that she is happier doing this.
7. Lisa stated that Special Kids Bexhill will have its own mobile phone on pay as you go with three works out at £6.95 a month. The details of this will be discussed at a later date. All present at A.G.M. said that they thought that this was an excellent idea, as it would stop Sharon receiving calls either early in the morning or late at night.
8. As already stated Lisa will be in charge of monitoring and organising all coach trips.
9. Sharon will be in charge of all Special Kids activities.

10. Paula stated that she was planning on doing the Hastings Half Marathon for Special Kids Bexhill, next year.
11. Vicky stated that she is studying for a Masters Degree in Autism and Anger Management. The Committee thought that this was an excellent idea and that she could organise some kind of questionnaire which could be possibly sent out to parents within the Special Kids Bexhill membership base. Vicky was very excited about being able to help Special Kids Bexhill in this way as it was her way or putting something back into the club. She would organise the questionnaire and this could then be sent out to existing club members. This study could at some point in time help a lot of people who have these very difficult circumstances to deal with in their every day lives.
12. Lisa stated that everyone wanted to go on the London Zoo trip. Diggerland could be another possibility for a day trip out, and it may be possible to hire the whole place just for our children/adults
13. Lisa then closed the A.G.M.