

Executive Meeting

28th February 2017

Venue; Hustlers Bar, Tavistock Street, Bedford

Meeting started; 19.05

Members present: Jas Parmar, Eric Masih, Kuldip Rupra, Sukhpal Gill, Suki Thiarra, Majid Shabir, Raj Chahal, Jagtar Singh, Robert George

1. Apologise

Navrita Atwal

2. Overview on last year (2016)

Last year a few seminars were organised and in particular the Cyber Crime seminar was well received. The awards night was a resounding success. Executive members felt that some Corporate members felt that they did not get much in return. It was pointed out that BABA is about building relationships that leads to business.

3. Accounts for 2016

Sukhi Thiarra presented the account

INCOME ;

Carried forward from 2015 £1200.23

Raffle / Events £6190.12

Roko Cancer £912.57

Corporate membership £2000

Standard membership £150

Executive donation £100

Goodwill/bank interest £0.78

TOTAL INCOME £10553.70

EXPENSES;

Queens park community / Poppy appeal £137.00

BIC / 21st Century £200

Addison centre / Awards Night £2240.00

Final creation Trophies £717.12

Catering £2500

Roko cancer £912.57

Website hosting Fee £172.51

TOTAL £6879.20

Balance carried forward £3674.50

Monies outstanding now

£500 Ambulance trust

£150 BIC

BoS advertising

Members thanked Sukhi for his work and were pleased to see a healthy balance to carry forward.

4. Plans for New Year 2017

Several ideas were suggested for going back to a seminar every other month.

Some of the ideas were as follows

Bedford Borough Council to talk to members about Business rates

Two social events a year

Another Awards night with a different angle

Bringing other speakers and existing/new corporate members to the seminars.

Moving the meetings to Monday night and at venue convenient to everyone with parking provisions.

5. Next meeting

Meeting and Seminar on Monday 24th April 2017 at Denham Golf Club. Speakers to be invited Bedford Borough Council (TBC) (Action – JP to speak to the council)

6. Any other business

JP - An application was submitted for a grant from Police and Crime Commissioner Office for Cyber Crime. It was done at a short notice and undertaken mainly by KR, JS and Wendy Bird with input from ST and JP. (Action - JP to report back)

RC – was approached by Harpur Trust to see if they can help giving grants to BABA like organisations. EM mentioned that QPCO has applied for £10000. (Action - JP and RC to follow up)

JP – mentioned that we need to approach MKABN for informal talks to expand. KR suggested it be extended to Luton Asian group as well. (Action – JP to follow up)

RG – was asked to look at the website and report back to see how it can be made user friendly (Action – RG to report back)

The awards for 2018 will be discussed at the next meeting with a view to start and organise early

Meeting closed at 8.40