

CAMBRIDGE VENUE GROUP

General Meeting: 3rd February 1988: 1 Fletchers Terrace

MINUTES

Present

Dave Smalley, Fynn Robertson, John Wroe, Jem Lindsey, Nannette Newman, Eric Orme. *Paul Darling.*

Apologies

Pete Robertson, Lynn Disley, Nick Webb, Jay Taylor.

1. Nanette Newman was elected Chair for the meeting.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were amended to indicate that Stuart Dempster (Demie), not Dave Dougan had resigned from the Steering Committee. Otherwise minutes of last meeting accepted.

3. Secretary's Report

No Secretary present so no Secretary's report. No mail received.

Treasurer's Report

Jem has re-issued a cheque for £80.00 to Criterion Hire for P.A. at the video disco. It seems that the previous Treasurer had put a stop on a series of cheques including Criterion's original cheque.

The bank balance after adjustment for the above is £183.80 in credit.

The Bank Mandate has not yet been adjusted to include Nan as a signatory. Jem will see to this.

Eric's Report

- i Eric suggested it may be appropriate for the C.V.G. to respond in the press to the Tory Group's suggestion that the Guildhall could be converted to a venue instead of the Cattle Market. This is felt by the group to be a ridiculous idea.

- ii Jayne Padman has regretfully had to offer her temporary resignation as Membership Secretary. NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED.

- iii Eric again suggested that the CVG run a 'Social' soon to involve some of the 50-60 people who receive minutes but never attend

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meetings. The group decided that, in view of the considerable work load at the moment, this could be left until March.

iv It is recognised that the group need a licensee that can be used on a regular basis for gigs. It was decided that Pete Robertson would be asked to approach the landlord of the White Hart and that John Wroe would investigate the possibility of becoming a licensee himself.

v In addition to Eric's approach to Hereward Radio, he will approach Chiltern Radio pending the likely move of one of these stations to the City.

#### 4. Forthcoming Gigs

The CVG is planning two events. A Hip-hop Jam with DEFCON in the Guildhall on 11th February 10.30 p.m. - 2.00 a.m. and a concert at the Guildhall on 17th February with THE DOG FACED HERMANS, THE SARDINES and one other.

HELP is needed with security etc. on each of these events. Please arrive early and offer to do a stint.

Entrance to the 11th February Gig will be free between 10.30 p.m. - 11.00 p.m. and from then on £1.00 at the door.

The 17th February Gig will be £1.50 conc. and £2.50. This event represents the first late night band concert in Cambridge.

An audience of approximately 150 are needed to break even so the group felt it worth the risk.

#### 5. Publicity Materials

The text for an AJ handout intended for the rock competition and other events has been compiled and Nick Welsh is preparing graphics.

Another meeting is required to write the copy for a more comprehensive leaflet for which Jem is obtaining comments from celebrities.

The meeting decided to launch the Newsletter in March. ARTICLES INVITED.

#### 6. Video Disco

Jay was unable to attend the meeting but says he has copies of letters, press releases etc. that indicate that the disco was a CVG event.

7. It has come to light that the £160.00 left over from the feasibility study was handed over to the CVG to pay off that debt

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to the Corn Exchange. Unfortunately Jay or Pete Ingram did not pass this information on.

The feeling of the meeting was that as this was the case the group has little choice but to pay. The Council is withholding use of the Corn Exchange until the bill is paid.

Jem will write to John Wilkinson (City Amenities and Recreation Officer) to explain the situation and that the matter is being dealt with.

A decision was deferred until the next meeting.

8. Other Business

Nan proposed that Jay and Pete be officially expelled from the CVG, thus preventing them becoming involved again at a later date. It was decided to leave this until the situation re the video disco is cleared up and the correct procedure can be followed.

With the agreement of the meeting Eric said that he will now be undertaking the procedure for sending minutes; determined at the A.G.M. i.e. THOSE THAT DON'T ATTEND ONE OUT OF FOUR PREVIOUS MEETINGS (or send apologies) WON'T GET MINUTES. This will be the last set distributed generally.

NEXT AGENDA

1. Elect Chair
2. Minutes of last Meeting
3. Reports -
  - i Secretaries
  - ii Treasurer
  - iii Eric
4. Video Discos
5. Management Structure and statement of aims for the Venue
6. Gigs
7. Any other Business

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