**Old Cryptian’s Club**

**Minutes of Meeting Held**

**Present:**

Clive Thomas (president)

Howard Allen

Bob Timms

Ivor Smith

Richard Briggs

Eric Stevens

Richard Browning

John Hughes

Peter Hobbs

Duncan Miller

Mat Cass

1. Apologies for Absence

HeadMaster

Steve Mace

John Mitchell

Mike Beard

Paul James

2. Minutes of Meeting held Monday 4th January 2013

The minutes of the previous meeting where approved subject to an amendment of the number of members to 209.

3. Matters Arising

The sub-committee of Peter Hobbs and Mike Nuth had nothing to report

4. Matters arising from AGM/Dinner

There were mixed views on the arrangement of speeches pre-dinner. 13 Young Old-Cryptians had attended.

5. President’s Business

The President’s business is dealt with under various headings below.

Action

6. Headmaster’s Report

The Headmaster’s report was distributed in his absence. It was suggested that an earlier timing of meetings might be helpful to the Headmaster and that the next meeting be held at 1800.

7. Honorary Treasurer’s Report

The Treasure reported healthy finances with net funds of £13000. The Annual Dinner had shown an acceptable loss of £87

8. Report on Centennial Bursary Fund

The Annual Dinner had boosted funds by £260. The Fund now stood at £50000. 12 nominations had been received for bursaries: 6 academic, 4 music, 1 art and 1 sport. All the noinees would receive a bursary. The presentations would be made at a Bursary Lunch 24 May at the School.

9. Membership Secretary Report

The Membership Secretary reported a static membership but a growing number of young joiners. There was discussion of lists of members and lists of non-members. The President said that he had a database of members that he had inherited some years ago which he would forward.

10. Web-Site update

Richard Briggs reported progress on the Web-Site. There had been hacking of the site resulting in it being off-line for several days. This had been resolved. It was agreed to investigate an ongoing maintenance contract with the web designer.

11. Founders’ Day

Invitations had gone out to members for the Founders’ Day event and some response had already been forthcoming. The Supper was to be at the New Inn which offered full bar facilities, round tables and a lower price. Bob Timms aked that the Golf Competition be given publicity on the Web-Site and it was agreed that the information should also be recirculated via e-mail. It was also agreed that in addition to putting details on the Web they should also be e-mailed to non-members for whom an address was held. It was requested that members who knew OC’s in Holy Orders provide inf to the President as there was an ongoing need for preachers at the ceremony.

12. Cenotaph

As usual Mike Nuth would be organising the attendance. It was stressed that numbers needed to increase and that younger blood should be encouraged. It was agreed that Mike Nuth liaise with the School about attendance and the possible use of the Minibus.

13. Cryptian Magazine

Howard Allen reported that good progress was being made on the 2013 edition on his part but that he was not certain that the School’s part would be ready in time for distribution at Founders’ Day.

14. 475th Anniversary Book

Howard Allen reported a good response for his appeal for photographs up to the 1960’s but a paucity thereafter. The School had undertaken to provide photos from its archives for 1989 to 2014. Work on this period should begin when students became available after AS exams.

He was making enquiries about printing. The Club would provide £2000 with matched funding from the School. The first day of the School was 11January 1539. It was agreed that 11 January 2014 (a Saturday) would be a good launch day with the old school room as the venue.

15. Any other business

Corrections needed to be made to the honours boards: the President would liaise with John Mitchell

16. Date of next meeting

**14th October 1800**

**John Hughes**