

## **NORTH WEST DURHAM BATTALION BOYS' BRIGADE**

### **Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008 at Blackhill Methodist Church**

**Present:** Paul Knowles (Chairman), Phyllis Jackson, Ted Jackson, Colin Carroll, Graeme Stobbart, Eric Stoddart, Neil Moffett, Jim Moffett, Matthew Moffett, Adam Morris.

**Apologies:** Rachel McAdoo, Graeme Batley, Sandra Knowles, Angela Hird, Claire Johnson, Kathy Robson, Amos Morris and Geoff Martin.

The opening devotions were led by Neil Moffett.

#### **Previous AGM Minutes of 18<sup>th</sup> June 2007**

Accepted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

#### **Report of Battalion Secretary**

Read to meeting,

*These are the current numbers of boys and officers in our Battalion (based at the start of the year, so may now differ slightly)*

Anchor Boys		49		15
Junior Section	48		-24	
Company Section		21		-10
Seniors		18		-2
Officers		43		-13
Total Number of Boys	136		-21	
Total Number of Officers		43		-13

*The numbers for Junior, Company and Seniors has gone down from last year, with the junior section losing the most amount of boys. The anchor boys have shown an increase, this is the first time in at least 3 years. As you can see from the list also, we have lost 13 officers.*

*I feel that next year we need to focus our efforts in the publicity drive in order to attract new boys and leaders to the Battalion, and lets hope next year we see an increase in the amount of boys in the Battalion.*

*Sorry I can't be at the meeting and thank you for all your continued support over the past year.*

#### **Report of Battalion Treasurer and Auditor**

Report tabled, explained and accepted. Copy attached.

#### **Report from Battalion Officials**

##### **Anchor Boy Convenor**

Claire to arrange a meeting.

## **District Representative**

Neil reported that there will be a development worker role in district.

## **Report of Battalion President**

Read to meeting, copy attached.

## **Notices of motion**

Revised rules accepted for competitions

Vote – For: 9

Against: 0

Motion carried.

## **Treasurer's recommendation of fees for next session**

Total for this year will be £450.00

1<sup>st</sup> - £33.75

2<sup>nd</sup> - £162.00

5<sup>th</sup> - £29.25

11<sup>th</sup> - £27.00

14<sup>th</sup> - £108.00

17<sup>th</sup> - £90.00

Lanchester's fees were calculated using 2006/2007 returns, as 2007/2008 returns were not given to Battalion Secretary.

Fees were accepted and **are due by November meeting.**

## **Election of Officials**

President	-	Paul Knowles
Vice Presidents	-	Kathleen Robson, Angela Hird
Secretary	-	Rachel McAdoo
Treasurer	-	Colin Carroll
Auditor	-	Tom Carroll
Honorary President	-	Mr H Binks
Hon Vice Presidents	-	Mesdames Binks, Emmerson Messrs Carr, Hardy, L Atkinson. Severs, Dixon, Bridgewater, Ardron.
Chaplain	-	Rev S Dallin
Trophy Officer	-	Graham Stobbart
Adjutant	-	N/A
D of E Convenor	-	Paul Knowles
Anchor Boy Convenor	-	Claire Johnson
Battalion Executive	-	President, Secretary, Treasurer, 2 x Vice Presidents
District Representative	-	Neil Moffett

## **Calendar for next session**

Copy attached.

## **Any other relevant business**

Eric Hudson – Engage a Generation Meeting. This will take place on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am. Possibly at Consett, but will be confirmed at a later date.

The meeting closed with the sharing of the Grace.