**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting,**

**Thursday, 19 November 2015 at 7.30 p.m.**

**Bedern Hall**

The Annual General Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm on Thursday 19th November 2015. The meeting was chaired by Angie Millard, Chair of the York Mystery Plays Supporters Trust (YMPST). Confirmation was made that the quorum of at least 17 members was present.

**Present:**

**The Committee (2013)**: Angie Millard (Chair), Linda Terry (Vice-Chair and Secretary to the meeting), Phil Turner (Treasurer and Membership Secretary), Christine Gajewicz (General )

**Members:** Beth Barker, Steve Barker, Wilma Edwards, Colin Lea, Bernard Lyne, Clive Millard, Margaret O’Donnell, Lucinda Rennsion, Margaret Scott, Gaynor Spivey, , Marie Taylor, Simon Tompsett, Giselle VIncett,

**In attendance:** Louise Fawn

**Apologies were received from:** Gary Bateson, Isobel Carrick, Ruth Cozens, Mary Ann Dearlove, Moira Davis, Liz Elsworth, Sharon Hill, Shelagh Loftus, Ged Murray, Beryl Nairn, Susan Saunders, Julie Speedie, Bernadette Turner, Shirley Williams, Roger Wood

1. The Chair declared the meeting opened and welcomed members to the AGM.
2. **Previous minutes:** the minutes of 13 November 2014 and the reconvened AGM minutes of 16 December 2014 were presented for adoption.

**Proposed:** Simon Tompsett, **Seconded:** Bernard Lyne. The minutes were adopted as a true record.

1. **Chair’s report:** Angie Millard presented the report recording the achievements of YMPST during the year and thanked all those who had contributed to its success. Particular highlights were noted as: the advice and support given by YMPST to enquirers nationally and internationally; the Waggon Play “Entry into Jerusalem”, fundraising at St Crux with particular thanks to Steve Barker and Gary Bateson, the Ceilidh led by Jonathan Brockbank and the Bad Bargain Band, the University of York public lecture and a short course “Mystery Plays, Past and Present”, an initiative led by Linda Terry, and the web redesign undertaken by James Eaglesfield. There were no questions or comments from the floor at the conclusion of the report. ( A copy of the report is available at <http://www.ympsupporters.org/ympst-committee-election-2015/>)
2. **Financial Report:** The report was presented by Phil Turner. It was noted that the funds currently available are £2054.46, largely made up of membership subscriptions and proceeds from the St Crux fundraising event. Colin Lea asked if the Trust proposed to repeat the fundraising event at St Crux. The Trust would like to do so but currently has no schedule. Marie Taylor offered to request a date from her contact at St Crux. This was gratefully received by the meeting. **Action: Marie Taylor.** Thanks were given to Bernard Lyne for auditing the accounts.

The financial statement and accounts for 2014-2015 were approved by those present. **Proposed:** Simon Tompsett, **Seconded:** Marie Taylor

(A copy of the report is available at <http://www.ympsupporters.org/ympst-committee-election-2015/>

1. **Proposed amendment to the Constitution:** The Trust presented a proposal to amend the requirements detailed in Section 12 (2) of the Constitution, relating to the issue of quoracy. It was felt necessary to do so in view of the growth in membership. The proposal was:

“ A quorum is the greater of

1. 15 members entitled to vote upon the business to be conducted at the meeting or#
2. One tenth of the total membership at the time.

Following discussion, it was agreed to adopt the amendment.

**Proposed:** Chris Gajewicz,  **Seconded: Marie Taylor.**

1. **2015/2016 Committee Election:** Angie Millard summarised the nomination process for the election of the 2014/15 Committee, noting that nominations for roles had been uncontested and that those nominated were therefore confirmed in post. Linda Terry would act as Chair for 2015/16, Phil Turner would remain as Treasurer, Chris Gajewicz, Gary Bateson and Shelagh Loftus would remain on the Committee as general members. It was noted that the position of Secretary was currently vacant though Sharon Hill, the current Secretary, has indicated her willingness to remain in post in the event of a vacancy. Marie Taylor suggested the Trust contact the CVS to ascertain if secretarial support might be available from them. The Trust will also ask for expressions of interest via its Newsletter in the near future. The Chair invited expressions of interest for members to join the Committee in a general capacity. Simon Tompsett offered to join and was welcomed to the Committee.
2. **Any Other Business:**
	1. Chris Gajewicz asked the meeting to express its thanks to Angie Millard as outgoing Chair for her work during the past and previous years.
3. There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting at 8.00 p.m.