Minutes from the BDA NE Branch AGM held on 11.3.17

The Marriott Hotel, Metro Centre, Gateshead.

In Attendance – see attached sign in sheet.

Apologies – Lucy Winter, Carol Springett, Fiona Vause, Kate Roberts.

Introduction. Elaine Dickson (ED) introduced the meeting advising that each regional branch of the BDA was required to hold an AGM. The purpose of the AGM was explained as per the BDA guidance.

ED Identified the current committee members and their roles and advised that if there had been people wanting to be committee members then a vote could have taken place, however no one had put their name forward to be a committee member. ED also suggested that if anyone did want to be a member that if they let themselves known to the committee that they could be accommodate as a member without a specialist role.

Annual report 2016-2017. The Annual Report for 2016-2017 (written by Lucy Winter) was presented. The number of members and the events that were held were identified. The minutes of all the committee meeting were made available. Sponsors were identified and thanks and the key achievements for the year were identified.

Treasurer report 2016- 2017. The report was presented. The branch was advised that they had been given a start-up grant of £750 from the BDA, the total income for the year was £1060.22 and the total outgoings for the year were £150.07. Hence the current balance was £910.15. The branch were advised that any profit would be used to hold future event were sponsorship might not be so generous.

Annual Plan 2017 -2018. The plan was presented. The plan included how the branch was going to support its members, offer CPD opportunities and build for the future.

What do branch members want?

Webinars

Events not on the same date as Yorkshire

More events.

AOB. Those in attendance were thanked for supporting the Branch