**Minutes for the Sea Harrier Association Committee meeting 14th January 2019**

**Held Via Skype**

**Attendees Absent Apologises**

**Chairman**. S Abbott **Secretary**. S Parkinson **Treasurer**. J Lewis

**Members sec’**. R Gellett **Social Sec’** G Neil

J Butt **Webmaster**. J Lamb

**Incoming Treasurer**. S Hendrick

Meeting Started at 18:30

**Cenotaph 2019**

The Chairman invited John Butt to the meeting for his advice as he lives in Central London. He feels that we should source a venue for the Association immediately after the parade for refreshments and a buffet lunch which was agreed by all. Alternatives were discussed and John said he would investigate

**Action John Butt**

**Blazer Badges, Scarves for Lady Members and Red Polo Shirts**

It was felt that Red was a colour that was missing as an option for the choice of colours of the Association Polo Shirts. Bob Gellett added that some female members have asked if they could have an alternative to the Association Tie and a Scarf with some sort of SHAR logo is required? The Chairman also added that he noticed other associations have Blazer badges that are NOT Gold braid. They looked good and he felt that our Embroidered logo on the Polo Shirts might be avenue worth pursuing to adapt as a Blazer Badge? Stephen Hendrick said he has good contact with Harold Williams (who supplies such items) and will investigate further. Bob Gellett said he will canvass the female membership for their opinions on the scarf.

**Action Stephen Hendrick and Bob Gellett**

**AGM 2019**

Gary Neil is currently investigating venues for the AGM and Reunion in Portsmouth. Bob Gellett

Says he has discussed this with Gary and the dates of September 20th – 22nd is being planned as the dates to hold the AGM. Gary is in Portsmouth on Tuesday 25th January and will be able to give some further details after his visit. Bob said he would liaise with Gary.

**Action Bob Gellett**

**New Treasurer**

James Lewis has announced that he wishes to stand down as the Treasurer and his replacement has been found by the Chairman. Stephen Hendrick has volunteered and is eager to take over. Stephen said he will contact James for a handover and will keep the committee posted regarding progress. The Chairman stated he was pleased to welcome Stephen to the committee, but James would be a huge loss to the Association, and he would ask James if he would like to remain on the committee under some other guise?

**Action Stephen Hendrick and Chairman**

**HMS Queen Elizabeth Visit**

Bob Gellett said he had received some requests from the membership regarding the proposed visit. Sandra Parkinson has made good contact with the ship and is arranging a visit when the ship can host a visit, but the ship’s programme is extremely busy at present. She has also been informed that HMS Prince of Wales can also be an alternative by MOD and she is pursuing both.

**Action Sandra Parkinson**

**Regional Representatives**

The Chairman feels that there should be more people on the Committee although The Constitution states that there should be a Vice Chairman and a Assistant Members Secretary when we reach 200 members. We are currently at 150. Further members to the Committee could help the organisation of events (such as John Butt for the Cenotaph) He also recommended Dave Skiddy and that if Yeovil is going to be the venue for 2020 reunion, his help would be invaluable. The FAA Museum was proposed as a venue.

**Action Chairman**

**Coventry 2019**

The Buccaneer reunion in Coventry was discussed as other associations have been invited to attend in previous years and members have attended. Bob Gellett said he would contact Brian Stanley to enquire if the event was happening this year.

**Action Bob Gellett**

**RN v’s ARMY Rugby**

The Chairman said in previous years the interest in attendance from the association was good and we should investigate a meeting place for membership. The FAA FGC have a Bar with access for wrist band wearers and Bob Gellett said he would investigate options

**Action Bob Gellett**

**Meeting was closed at 19:31 and the 11th March was set as the date for the next meeting.**