



## CAMBRIDGESHIRE ASSOCIATION

### **Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> June at Impington Holiday Inn**

**Present:** Matt Kelly (Chair) + members

**1. Apologies:** Kristian Jones, Jackie Francis, Louise Crook

**2. Minutes of last Meeting:**

The minutes of the last AGM was agreed as an accurate record. No matters arising.

**3. The Upcoming Strike July 5<sup>th</sup> 2016**

JC - Vast majority of union are willing to take strike action. 92% voted in favour from a 25% turn out. Our current ballot will cover us for discontinuous action for as long as the dispute lasts.

UCU from Anglia Ruskin University will also be joining us this strike.

Hoping for members to have a presence outside of their school.

We are holding a demonstration with UCU at the Donkey common near Parker's Piece at 11am. Aim to have some speeches before we set off for a march around Cambridge Centre with some more speeches at the end.

Despite the low turnout in the ballot, reps have met with members and the impression is that most members are engaged in taking action.

Some misgivings regarding the low turnout, which makes members feel uneasy about taking action.

The phone bank was successful and one problem that was highlighted was that the postal vote system is not an efficient way to conduct a ballot.

Some reservations regarding the recent EU ballot and government turmoil but we should strike regardless as it is the government cuts and acadamisation that are disrupting schools, not other factors.

Funding is one of the key issues that is most concerning, most schools will lose up to 8% over the next couple of years.

Some heads are pestering reps for names and numbers of potential strikers. The rules are clear in that the schools are contacted with the number of members and that members should not be made to feel uncomfortable for taking industrial action.

**4. Motions**

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1. Mexico - 12 people and 50 people seriously injured by armed police and military while teachers are taking action. We must send a message of support and send members updates regarding rallies and support. This was proposed and seconded and passed.
2. Yarl's Wood demonstration - this was a successful event. This was proposed, seconded and passed.
3. General Secretary elections - we urge that we support Kevin Courtney in this ballot. This was proposed, seconded and passed.
4. Support for the Stand up to Racism demonstration on 16<sup>th</sup> July. These attacks and instances must be condemned and reported to the police. People's Assembly have responded by calling a demonstration outside the BBC headquarters on 16<sup>th</sup> July. This motion was proposed, seconded and passed.