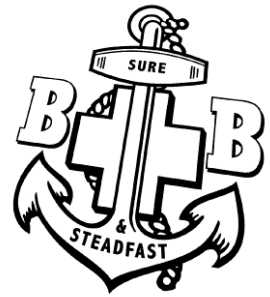


GLASGOW BATTALION The Boys' Brigade



Board of Trustees Meeting Summary

The Board of Trustees met at Battalion HQ on Tuesday 23rd October 2018 at 7:30pm. The following Trustees attended the meeting:-

John Armour, Rev. Neil Galbraith, Robert Linton, Craig Manson, Maureen McKillop, Gary McQueen & Alan Murray.

Key matters discussed & decisions taken:

- The Financial report for the 6 months to September 2018 shows core costs on budget and with expenditure under control.
- Donation income is better than the equivalent period last year as a result of grants from both the Merchants House and the Trades House of Glasgow. Legacy income of £9k was also received.
- Investment income is reduced. We have sold capital to fund the deficit and it is more difficult to replace higher income funds.
- The Board noted that:
 - The Battalion is compliant with the new GDPR regulations and a new policy is in place.
 - The Crossreach project work is in hand and progressing
 - The Faith in Young People programme for ministers and churches has started and will continue over the coming months.
 - A number of Glasgow Companies are benefitting from the Brigade Scotland Cashback.
 - A proposed fundraising dinner for late 2018 would be rescheduled for March/April 2019
 - Work is required to identify volunteers who are able to lead Battalion events to avoid the Battalion Secretary having to micro-manage competitions.
 - All Glasgow Companies have completed their Annual Statistical Return for 2017/2018 with some still to pay the fees.
 - A Brigade UK survey to assist with direction on a new Executive structure has proved inconclusive. Feedback suggests that at Company level there is an obvious lack of knowledge about the wider organisation, regional and national. A series of roadshows is proposed to discuss future options with the grass root membership
 - Feedback from the 4 Church of Scotland Guild presentations delivered by the Battalion Secretary was very positive and that the basis of the project can be adapted for use with other organisations – Rotary, Churches, etc.
 - School visits are continuing when opportunities arise.
 - Glasgow City Council Education Department are keen to pilot Science. Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM) initiatives in support of the Brigade Scotland initiative.
 - A publicity event at Asda Robroyston highlighted, through distribution of leaflets, a wide option of Companies from Glasgow Battalion and 2 Strathkelvin Battalion Companies local to the store
 - The World Mission Fund Annual General Meeting will move to March 2019 with the next project running to May 2020. Plans are in place to look at options to improve giving to the fund. The current project will present a cheque to the Church of Scotland for £6k and is scheduled for November 16th 2018 in Largs.