

Regional meeting in Birmingham on 09/11/2019

The journey from London started at 8.30 am when members arrived at London South Bank University and departed with about 17 members. Unfortunately, issues with the coach on the way, coupled with traffic, meant that travelling entourage did not arrive Birmingham until about 1.30 pm.

There were about 7 members from outside of London with some other London colleagues making their way to Birmingham by driving. Total attendees were 25 members with attendees from Birmingham, Bournemouth, Sheffield, Leeds and Manchester.

Each member introduced themselves and were well welcomed to the meeting with the introduction section used as part of a Town Hall meeting allowing members to discuss modalities for engendering active region.



Summary of the proposals and conclusions:

- Embed use of video conferencing at General Meetings and award MCPE points to attendees
- Video Conferencing facility should be made available to the Regions as they are dispersed hence may not be practical to always physically meet.
- The District should make it a policy to have two regional meetings at Regions in each District year – this should be agreed by Exco and members during General Meeting.



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- Each Region: Birmingham, Manchester for example should get organised and meet or organise events at least quarterly with representative(s) from Exco or London attending – the goal is to double the number of members during each subsequent meeting or event for the first two to three activities and maintain such numbers. Example: in Birmingham five known members to become ten and then twenty with that number maintained on an ongoing basis.
 - Chinedu, Mohammad and Segun Adeyemi to lead regarding Birmingham
 - Dokun to lead regarding Manchester



- Reactivate mentoring scheme and use to increase participation as members will see what they stand to gain with such programme in place.
- Increase communication using Social Media so members remain engaged and informed.
- Cleanse membership database and include capturing of location so we can easily target engaging with regional colleagues.
- Add Region member as Admin of Regions WhatsApp Group.
- Evaluate Saturday meetings in London as well as evaluate having one or two General Meetings on Saturday so Region members who wish to attend can have that opportunity - there were also proposals to swap a London Meeting for a Saturday Regional Meeting.
- Concerns were raised regarding cost-benefit, hence there is a need to assess number of committed Region members, cost involved in holding Regional meetings and how to sustain.
- It was suggested that District Chairs to serve for two years to engender continuity





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Dates for your diary!

- Next Regional Meeting 25th January 2020 - Manchester.
- Annual Dinner Dance: 30th November 2019.
- UK International Conference (Zonal Conference): 11th – 15th March 2020.

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