

# BFVS



Film *making* in Bristol

Bristol Film & Video Society

## COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 10th April 2018** at The Ratepayers Arms, Filton.

Meeting commenced at 19:50 p.m.

Present; Tim Smart (TS), David Price (DP), Graham Egarr (GE), Neal tucker (NT), Dave Mitchell (DM)

Apologies for absence; John & Sue Cockwell

Distribution: The Committee members plus Bob Bennett, Mike George, Malcolm Stevens

### 1. Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the March 2018 Committee were approved as a true and accurate record of that meeting but subject to further discussion.

The Minutes of AGM are to be approved at the 2019 AGM.

### 2. Post mortems/comments

20<sup>th</sup> March 2018: Competition evening. This was judged to have gone well but it was noted that the number of entries was down. There was a positive response from the younger entrants.

3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018: Telling stories. Merlin's presentation was judged to be very good and Vincent's films were well regarded. TS advised that he had sent MG a JPEG for the front page of the presentation.

### 3. Future Programme

17<sup>th</sup> April: TS to present on acting and directing actors. Jane no longer involved.

1<sup>st</sup> May: Planning a mini epic to be shot on one evening. Script suggestion is 3 groups and a hostage situation. Acting talent is requested.

15<sup>th</sup> May 2018: TBA.

5<sup>th</sup> June 2018: How good is my camera? Dave James to be considered as an alternative if Julian is not available to preside. Suggest 4 tests of each camera used and mystery shoot out at the end.

19<sup>th</sup> June 2018: Shooting mini epic.

**Action point:** TS to ask at his group for volunteer actors.

3<sup>rd</sup> July: Outdoor practical skills hands on session.

17<sup>th</sup> July: 180 minute challenge based on a prewritten script.

7<sup>th</sup> August: Possible spare evening. This could be used to review iconic film sequences such as the Psycho shower scene and Spaghetti western genre. GE commented that there had been no response from Diana.

#### **4. Finances & membership**

DM confirmed that Jane & Steve had offered to digitize the clubs account records. No response from Dave Norton. DM had suggested that Julian could be provided with a membership list and collect money on DM's behalf in his absence. DM said that Merlin has yet to pay but at a reduced fee.

DM noted that Ray Hendy had not rejoined and asked TS to email Ray to remind him.

DM mentioned that a number of past members had not been in touch and queried if they would reappear and rejoin, specifically; Andre, Ingrid, Luiz and Parsifal.

To date DM confirmed that there were now 26 paid up members.

A recent visitor Josie was also mentioned as a possible new member.

DM commented that the club had reimbursed Bob for the renewal of the club's Vimeo channel.

#### **5. Competitions**

In SC's absence there was limited news.

There was discussion on the 100 second movie project. Deadline 10<sup>th</sup> September.

There was also a suggestion to use a meeting and invite members to bring in one of their films (or a club film such as Cabot) and edit it down to 100 seconds as an exercise.

#### **6. Club website & Social Media**

The meeting considered Tim's recent email re the website.

It was agreed by the Committee, (detailed below), that MG is requested to change the existing old lamp to a new LED lamp image.

No news from SC on social media.

#### **7. Digital resources/archive**

GE and TS are to meet Merlin re the scripts he has written and at the same time discuss him becoming the club librarian.

The meeting resolved as per GE's email of 4<sup>th</sup> April to provide text descriptions on the Vimeo Channel to the recent films including Amerika, Twinkle Twinkle and the Vampire shorts.

## **8. Club productions**

### Convent Close

Following a final edit DP has screen tested the film and asked for peer review feedback. Whilst one person has yet to respond he has received a considerable amount of feedback from the first frame to the last. In view of the breadth and depth of the comments he is mulling over a complete overhaul of the last edit of the film.

### Knot of Rope

DP reiterated that nothing further has been heard from Dave James on the project.

### Downs Film

TS advised that the grant application had been refused so the project won't happen this September. TS is now trying to meet the City of Film contact. TS commented that he had been approached by the 'Open Doors' project and asked if some club films could be shown at the Architecture Centre.

### BBQ/film show

The script from Dave Norton is still awaited. The meeting agreed to postpone this event till the Downs film/festival takes place.

### Clifton Suspension Bridge film

GE to meet MG to discuss.

### Merlin's scripts:

GE & TS to meet Merlin to talk through the scripts and filming practicalities. Merlin to provide some actor contacts.

### Horror film/retribution

No news from Steve.

### New Room project

This involves 2 films; including a silent film for the café. Bob has agreed to film and edit the café film.

GE to advise Gordon that Gordon will respond to the New Room contact and confirm Bob will undertake one of the projects.

Peter to be contacted to see if he would like to be involved in the other film.

The Mark Topping New Room film is not on the club's Vimeo channel. The agreement to make any film for the New Room is conditional on the Mark Topping film appearing on the club's Vimeo channel.

### Motorbike film

Fahad to prepare a script for TS.

### Impact 50

SC has asked TS to organise a new shoot. The lead child actress and her mum are not responding to TS's emails. TS to chase.

### New club promo

NT has put together a new promo based on footage from Twinkle Twinkle, Pursuit films etc.

### Ghost films DVD

NT/GE/TS to meet to discuss which films could be made and assess ideas for scripts, treatments etc.

## **9. AOB**

Re club productions listed on the website.

The Clifton Rocks Railway project is to be dropped.

The following are to be added:

- New Room film project
- Motorbike film
- Ghost film DVD
- Clifton Suspension Bridge

## **10. Next meeting and close**

The date of the next Committee meeting will be Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018 commencing at 7.45pm at The Ratepayers Arms;

The meeting closed at 21.20 pm.