

Minutes of Unite Retired Members Branch Action Sub-Committee Meeting 11th October 2018

9 members present. Apologies received from Bill Newman, Ian Findlay, Maureen Gardner and Dave Sherry.

EIS Dispute: EIS members will be balloted for industrial action on 30th October. A rally in support of EIS members is planned for Saturday 27th October, commencing 11.00am in Kelvingrove Park.

GCC Equal Pay Dispute:Affected Council workers are planning to take part in a two-day strike on the 23rd and 24th of October. A rally in support is planned for Tuesday 23rd October, commencing 11.30am in Glasgow Green.

UCU Dispute: College Lecturers dispute currently unresolved and subject to further review and negotiation.

Education Courses: Agreed to suggest / enquire of running the 1st course again for members, possibly including invitation to members of Community Branch and bordering Retired Members Branches to attend.

New Education Courses: Agreed to suggest / enquire of running a course on the production of a Branch Newsletter.

Trade Union Education in Schools.Chair agreed to contact the STUC 'Unions Into Schools Team' to discuss possible Branch participation in the project.

Awards For All: Agreed to progress a draft application to fund an educational project including a visit to Liverpool Museum of Slavery. The purpose of the project would be to study the history, impact and legacy of the transatlantic slave trade. Study findings would be recorded in a written report and video which could possibly contribute to and liaise with Black History Month. The draft application would be submitted to the Branch for consideration and/or approval.

Suggested Speakers at Future Branch Meetings:Branch had agreed at the October meeting to invite an EIS representative to attend the November meeting to talk about the current pay dispute. Also agreed to invite a speaker from the FBU to attend the January meeting to talk about the FBU centenary. Previously suggested speakers (Darren McGarvey / Trussell Trust etc) were noted for further consideration by the Branch in the new year.
