

ROTARY CLUB of MELTON MOWBRAY
Minutes for Club Council Meeting, 15th January 2015

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B. Hill	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						A.Blythe	✓	x	✓	✓	x	✓	✓					
R. Abbott	✓	✓	x	x	✓	✓	✓						D. Morris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
D. Ward	✓	✓	x	✓	x	✓	✓						E. Hall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
K. Theobald	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						J. Horn	x	✓	✓	x	✓	✓	✓					
D. Osborne	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						A. Dawda	x	x	x	x	x	x	x					
I. Neale	✓	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	x						S. Jeal	✓	x	✓	✓	x	✓	x					
M. Osborne			✓		✓																				

Apologies for Absence

Received from Steve Jeal and Ian Neale

Minutes of Last Meetings

The minutes of the last meeting held on 8th December 2014 were accepted.

Matters Arising

It was considered that any matters arising would be covered within the agenda.

President's Business

- President Bill informed Council of two recent requests by young students for donations to support a visit to Borneo to undertake voluntary work. It was considered that local schools are encouraging children to approach Rotary for these very high cost trips (£4k). Club Council agreed that the President should respond to these requests stating that at present our International project demands are high and we cannot support on this occasion.

Action W.H.

Secretary's Report

- To record that at the Club Business meeting of Monday 8th December 2014 the following was agreed by members present:-
 - A Sysonby Knoll staff gratuity of £200
 - A Polio donation of £500
 - Club Members happy to progress formal links with Rotary Club of San Juanico in Philippines.
- The voting delegates for RIBI Business meeting in Belfast, as agreed at SGM were now registered to vote. J.D. and D.M. in person, with W.H. registered for an on-line vote.
- Election for RIBI President 2016/17, Council agreed to support the recommendation of RIBI Selection advisory committee and use the club's three votes for Denis Spiller. **Action D.W.**
- Secretary advised Club Council of rogue raffles, recent one apparently from an Israeli Rotary Club, District Secretary advised who had circulated a warning to other Rotary Clubs.
- A list of other club's Charters and events tabled, details of these would be circulated separately to all club members, basically: -
 - Soar Valley Charter - 26th January
 - Market Harborough Charter - 2nd February
 - Grantham Kesteven Charter - 25th February
 - Bradgate Charter - 28th February
 - Ashby Castle Charter - 3rd March
 - Grantham Kesteven, 'Children of Courage Awards' - 11th March

Treasurer's Report

- Kate had earlier circulated by Email comprehensive statements of accounts for the period 8th December 2014 - 14th January 2015 along with the details of the Committee balances.
- General Account balance at £5326, with second half of District capitation charges still to be paid £1000. The Charity account, balance at £17,446, includes some £15,850 held for the Philippines projects, which includes other Clubs donations.

- The following points were discussed and agreed: -
 - £220 Penny Hancox donation from Santa Fun Run to be allocated to Polio account.
 - Costs relating to Youth Committee school prizes, **Treasurer** to confirm whether costs are from General Account or from Trust Account as presently inconsistent.
 - Transfer of £2324 from PayPal account relating to Santa Fun Run still to be transferred into Trust Account.
 - Santa Fun Run generated £1486 benefit if all the costs of medals £770 and Santa Suits £1603 are taken against this year's event. **Action K.T.**
- Warning Zone donation of £500 agreed for year 2013/14 has not been paid as intended, question tabled at SGM. Council agreed that this payment along with a reduced request for 2014/15 of £350 should be now made. John Horn to put to members at Business meeting. Treasurer reminded Committee chairs of the need to complete a cheque request form available on Club website or from Treasurer in order to progress the raising of a cheque. **Action J.H./K.T.**

Diary

- The diary was generally up to date and would be discussed in more detail under Club Service report. A proposal from Ian Neale that Launde Abbey Steak Night is planned for April 20th not on 29th June as earlier tabled. R.A. to discuss details with I.N.

Committee Reports

Club Service, Fundraising and Communications

- A list of planned events were tabled, as follows: -
 - 31st January - Burn's Night at Sysonby Knoll
 - 6th March - Quiz Night at British Legion
 - 12th March - Concert Birmingham
 - 16th March - Charter dinner Scalford Hall
 - 30th March - 5th Monday St Mary's Church visit
 - 20th April - Steak Night at Launde Abbey
 - 8th May - Military Wives, St Mary's Church
 - 15th May - Golf Day
 - 14th June - picnic Belvoir Castle
 - 3rd July - Hampton Court Flower Show
 - 25th July - Joint Summer Ball, Scalford Hall
 - 6th September - Vintage Car Rally, Play Park
 - 16th October - Concert with Uppingham School, St Mary's Church.
- Summer Ball progressing as a three Rotary Club joint event, it is planned to establish before the event two Charity beneficiaries, one National and one Local for the targeted £10k profit. Table cost of £500 for ten seats or £55/person planned ticket prize with quality auction and raffle. Proposal to be presented to next Business meeting. **Action R.A.**
- An offer by John Horn to plan a Safari Supper was welcomed. **Action R.A./J.H.**
- **Communications**, team continuing to support project teams and events.
- **Sub-Committee of Fundraising**, after many successful and hard working years Ron Edwards wishes to take break from project managing the Santa Fun Run, Bill Hill has kindly offered to stand in.

International/Foundation

- District **Foundation** Lunch on Sunday 19th April 2015, A.B. taking bookings. **Action A.B.**
- \$61k so far raised by District 1070 by Foundation Annual giving.
- **International**, initial application for Global Grant did not pass the required criteria, the application is in the process of being rewritten in order to resubmit.
It is noted that an application by Melton Mowbray and Towcester Rotary Clubs have a \$20k District 1070 DDF, (District Designated Fund), awaiting approval. **Action A.B.**
- District 1070 Philippines Disaster Fund stands at £26.3k

Youth

- Youth Speaks, next rounds at Bourne on 4th February 2015, and on 21st January 2015 for Intermediates.
- RYLA, a good candidate found, applied to Raynes Trust for funding assistance, cost at £592 between the two Clubs plus £100 for costs for the candidate. **Action J.H.**
- No Youth Exchange planned this year.
- Semi Final of Young Musician planned for 7th March 2015.
- Proposal to arrange for David Cowell to speak to the Club regarding the Hub Expansion, welcomed. **Action R.A./J.H.**
- The Venue Project, a non alcoholic Youth Club venue for 13 - 17 year olds in Melton. Funding from MMBC, and Lottery (£180k) achieved, but will need help in establishing premises, along with volunteers, more cash, and support. All three Clubs plan to be involved. **Action J.H.**

Community

- 'Elderly Folks' teas now sorted.
- Litter picking project not considered a worthwhile project.
- Duck Race details to be confirmed to tie in with School holidays. **Action R.A.**

Membership

- Application for membership submitted by Fiona Buckton, Council members approved application and requested Secretary to issue 7/10day notice. Date of induction, subject to acceptance by membership, to be confirmed. **Action D.W./W.H.**
- **Satellite Club**, David Morris had previously circulated a proposal for a project from the Satellite group of three members.
The project proposal being to provide a facility, cafe and lounge area, in Phoenix House to provide an opportunity for unemployed job seekers to work under professional and experienced supervision until they could become employable. MMBC had offered help, additional help both financial and 'hands on' would also likely be required.
Council welcomed the proposal and agreed in principle to support this project subject to the Satellite group establishing a membership of 6. **Action D.M.**

Vocational

- Nine Club members took part in mock interviews at Ratcliffe College for 15/16 year old students on 14th January 2015. A rewarding exercise for interviewers and interviewees, thanks to Ben Abbott for facilitating.

Visioning

- Document on Visioning prepared by David Morris would be reviewed at a meeting on 16th January 2015 by Ian Neale and Michael Osborne. **Action A.D./M.O./I.N.**

A.O.B.

- Problems with members failing to give their apologies for lunch meetings discussed. Council agreed that as an interim solution the Treasurer would give apologies until the end of January for the four members concerned. Situation however still to be addressed. **Action K.T./W.H./D.M.**

Date and Time of Next Meeting

6.30 pm Thursday 12th February 2015 at Tresillian House