

ROTARY CLUB of MELTON MOWBRAY
Minutes for Club Council Meeting, 14th August 2014

	Jly	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apl	My	Ju		Jly	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apl	My	Ju
B. Hill	✓	✓											A.Blythe	✓	x										
R. Abbott	✓	✓											D. Morris	✓	✓										
D. Ward	✓	✓											E. Hall	✓	✓										
K. Theobald	✓	✓											J. Horn	x	✓										
D. Osborne	✓	✓											A. Dawda	x	x										
I. Neale	✓	x											S. Jeal	✓	x										

Apologies for Absence

Received from Steve Jeal, Alison Blythe and Ian Neale.

Minutes of Last Meetings

The minutes of the last meeting held on 10th July 2014 were accepted.

Matters Arising

- None specific that have not been completed or covered in separate reports.

President's Business

- D.G's 'A' visit a joint evening meeting with all Melton Rotary Clubs on 8th September at Melton Bowls Club, details circulated, 22 members booked to date, remaining members to be approached. **Action R.A./W.H.**
- Presidential Citation, new format for 2014/15 with points system, details to be circulated to Committee chairs. **Action W.H.**

Secretary's Report

- At the Club Business meeting of 14th July 2014 the members present confirmed their agreement to the following: -
 - Nomination of David Morris for District Office as AG Area B 2015/16.
 - £200 donation to Mencap
 - £50 donation to John Ferneley student for charity work in Borneo.
 - £160 donation to four Melton Primary Schools to assist in travel to concert in Leicester, approved subject to members questions being addressed. See Youth Committee report.
 - £50 Speaker fee to Jeremy Prescott's charity, towards the 'Bomber Command Memorial Fund'.
 - £210 for purchase of 35 Rotary sashes for initial use at October International committee concert. All members present other than one who abstained, agreed to the purchase.
- Election of District Office AG for Area B 2015/16 required as three candidates nominated for the position. Club Council unanimously agreed to vote for our own member David Morris. The two other nominations being Les Aldrich of R.C. Ashby Castle, and Graham Martin of R.C. Soar Valley **Action D.W.**
- District Minor Sports information for 2014/15 received, Richard Abbott agreed to seek organiser or to facilitate. **Action R.A.**
- 'Rotary Today' magazine, delivery address agreed to be changed from Richard Haines to 'PBS' business address of Ron Edwards. RIBI request business location for delivery, Ron Edwards agreed to accept delivery. Distribution of magazines, 'blue' cards etc. planned through Communications team. **Action D.W.**
- Application by Ben Abbott for 'Excused Absence under 85 year Rule', as Ben easily meets the qualification criteria, Club Council unanimously agreed to the request. Secretary to confirm decision to Ben. **Action D.W.**
- Letter received from a member requesting Club Council try to address the apparent apathy that is developing in the Club, with particular reference for support to a 'Dog's Trust' event. Council noted and accepted the need to address this issue. As regards support for future large fund raising events, it was viewed as appropriate to consider charging a fee to undertake a specific role. **Action Club Council**

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer Kate presented a revised summary of Committee funds for comments. Council agreed that format was well presented and that consideration be given to circulating the information to all Club members once the treasurer had refined the format to her satisfaction. **Action K.T.**
- Overall Club Account balance at £4519, Trust Account at £12737, including Philippines project receipts of £7145 from Rotary Club of Northampton and District.
- Club Annual Subscriptions, 14 members still to pay, Treasurer and President to remind those overdue. **Action K.T./W.H.**
- Trust and Club Account Signatories to be amended as follows:-
 - Club Account - Existing signatories David Ward, John Horn, Mike Rowe, to remain with Richard Haines and Bob McCord to be removed, to be replaced with Kate Theobald.
 - Trust Account - David Ward, Michael Osborne, Alison Blythe, and James Green (Trustees), to remain, with Bob McCord removed, to be replaced with Kate Theobald. **Action K.T.**

Diary

- Lunch meeting of 29th September 2014 planned as a Fellowship day with a revised format. **Action R.A.**
- District Quiz 9th October 2014, two teams entered. John Horn facilitating. **Action J.H.**
- World Polio Day will be on 24th October 2014

Committee Reports

- **Club Service, Fundraising and Communications**
 - District Minor Sports programme received, team to be entered. **Action R.A.**
 - Christmas Party established for 15th December 2014 with meal at Sysonby Knoll Hotel.
 - Charter Night confirmed at Salford Hall following recent visit by R.A./W.H., date as programme Monday 16th March 2015.
 - Future events such as Golf Day and Burns Supper under consideration. **Action R.A.**
 - Questionnaire for future events, 20 replies received, R.A. evaluating responses. **Action R.A.**
- **Fundraising (Ron Edwards)**
 - Community raffle possibility under review, following Ian Neale's earlier studies. **Action R.A./I.N.**
 - Car Rally or Ball Event under consideration for spring/summer of 2015.
 - Santa Fun Run team continuing to progress event organisation. Consideration to be given to stating that monies raised are for Rotary Charities, rather than specific Local Charities? **Action W.H./R.E.**
- **Communications (Julia Joseph-Hinde)**
 - Communication team to distribute Rotary magazines and 'Blue' cards with plan to action through Lunch time stewards. **Action R.A. / J.J.-H.**
 - Melton Times, recent advertising of International Concert, with Rotary involvement in a regular feature being progressed. **Action R.A./J.J.-H.**
- **Foundation / International**
 - A.B. presently in transit to Philippines to progress Leyte schools project.
 - The monies received from the Towcester Rotary Club for the Leyte schools project to remain in our Club's Trust Account in the short term. **Action A.B./K.T.**
 - Concert 17th October 2014, organisation progressing with meeting planned with Uppingham school on 26th August involving Ian Neale. Suggested that ticket sales are monitored? **Action A.B.**
- **Youth**
 - Grant to Primary schools of £160, joint Youth committee responded to members questions by confirming that parents had contributed to the travel expenses of the visit to the Leicester concert, and that the monies from Rotary was necessary due to cuts in the Educational Budget contributions by local Council.
 - Meetings were planned with Primary School Heads to achieve greater school participation in Rotary projects. **Action J.H.**
 - Accounts for Joint Youth committee for 2013/14 finalised, cost per Club will be £441 this for all of the year's events including the Primary Schools visit.
 - Members were being allocated roles in the new joint committee, a new District Youth Exchange Officer was appointed, whom the committee planned to meet. **Action J.H.**
 - RYLA and Youth Exchange consideration being given to target the unemployed. **Action J.H.**
 - Warning Zone, the Youth committee hoped to continue to support the project in the coming year with support for transport costs.

- **Community**
 - 'Kids Out' to Twin Lakes, Adrienne Holland and Ian Neale agreed to contact schools regarding their involvement in 'Kids Out'. **Action E.H.**
 - A new project aimed at helping members of an Art Group of people with learning difficulties was under review, a suitable contact was being sought. **Action E.H.**
 - Meeting dates to suit all committee members still to be defined. **Action E.H.**

- **Vocational (Atul Dawda)**
 - Vocational skills matrix under consideration. **Action A.D.**
 - A project to assist the 16 - 25 year old Melton homeless, numbers estimated as >100 under consideration. **Action W.H./A.D.**

- **Membership**
 - Membership committee minutes on Club website.
 - Business Forum, next meeting planned for Tuesday 2nd September 2014, details circulated to all Club members.
 - Concern was expressed over losing three members recently, of which two were new members, there is a need to understand reasons to enable actions to prevent future losses. **Action All**
 - Mentoring Brief, essential to build up a procedure for effective new member mentoring, a meeting to achieve such a procedure will be arranged. **Action D.M.**
 - New member Dick Colgrove, it was considered inappropriate to nominate a mentor for Dick due to his past service in another club, but to ask all members to 'befriend' him. **Action D.M.**
 - Recruitment Evening planned for 12th September 2014 organisation progressing. **Action D.M.**
 - Other forms of Rotary Clubs under consideration such as a 'Going Home Club', Satellite Club, etc..

- **AOB**
 - The secretary D.W. has requested Michael Osborne to attend and act as secretary at the next Club Council meeting due to his planned holiday. **Action D.W./M.O.**
 - Consideration to be given to appointing a Sergeant at Arms. **Action W.H.**
 - Almoner Peter Briggs to be approached to consider feasibility of members assisting Wyn Beardsley with shopping due to the recent loss of her son. **Action W.H.**

**Date and Time of Next Meeting,
Planned for 6.30 pm Thursday 11th September 2014 at Tresillian House**