

ROTARY CLUB of MELTON MOWBRAY
Minutes for Club Council Meeting, 11th February 2016

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R. Abbott	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					A. Holland	✓		✓	x	✓		✓	x				
I. Neale	✓		x	✓	✓		✓	✓					W. Hill	x		✓	x	✓		✓	x				
D. Ward	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					E. Hall	✓		✓	✓	x		✓	✓				
K. Theobald	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓					S. Jeal	✓		✓	✓	x		x	✓				
M. Osborne	✓		✓	✓	x		✓	✓					J. Shortland	x		x	x	✓		✓	x				
A. Blythe	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓																	

Nb. August and December Meetings cancelled due to low availability of Council members

Apologies for Absence

Received from Adrienne Holland, Janet Shortland and Bill Hill.

Minutes of Last Meetings

The minutes of the last Council meeting held on 14th January 2016 were accepted.

Matters Arising

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

Treasurer's Report

The President requested that on this occasion the meeting start with the Treasurer's Report: -

- Club Account balance as at 11th February 2016 was £4058, with all bills paid to date, a few minor transfers to Trust Account still to make, namely £28 Concert donation and a £19 charge from Burn's Night.
- Charitable Trust account balance as at 11th February 2016 was £11,221, with outgoings for Santa suits at £447 and RF(UK) donation at £1600 recently paid. Income recorded in period from Burn's Night at £270, and Sargeant at Arms 'bottle' £28.
- A review of Trust Account Income and Outgoings against the plans for the year 2015/16 detailed at Club Assembly was presented by Treasurer: -
 - Council agreed that the policy was unchanged in that the target was to balance annual Charitable donations with fundraising. Any potential surplus for the year should not be used to increase reserves, but be used for 'immediate good causes'.
 - Taking into account the planned further projects and donations before year end, a favourable balance is envisaged, however it was noted that a significant benefit had arisen during the period from receipts of Gift Aid from previous years.
 - Further large donations to Foundation £1200 ish, Warning Zone £500, and Life Education £1000 are outstanding.
 - Council thanked the Treasurer for preparing the excellent review, and agreed that any decision on 'new' spending should be deferred to nearer the year end when planned fundraising events had taken place and a further financial review.
- Kid's Out. Bill from Twin Lakes still outstanding. **Action K.T./A.H.**

President's Business

- As Jim Green is to leave Duncan and Toplis, a new procedure for members recording Lunch attendance apologies, LOA's dietary requests etc. is required. Alison Blythe through Students International had offered to facilitate the process. The new procedure would be written, included on future 'Blue Cards' and circulated to all Club members. **Action A.B./S.J./D.W.**
- The agreed donation of £4600 to Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance, the proceeds from the Summer Ball are finally to be handed over to the Charity. A representative from the Charity is to speak to the Club on 11th April 2016 giving an update on their operations and receive the cheque. **Action R.A.**

Secretary's Report

- To record approval by the members present at the meetings of: -
 - Club Business meeting of 18th January 2016, £1600 donation to Foundation.
 - Club meeting of 8th February 2016, £15 for Youth Exchange student, previously supported by Council via EMail.
- Invitations to 'Other Clubs Events' received by secretary, continues to be summarised and circulated to members.
- Request to sell raffle tickets on behalf of Leicestershire Life Education received. Council agreed not to participate on the grounds that, as a Club we have supported the Melton Mowbray section of Leicestershire Life Education for many years, with an annual donation of £1000. Secretary to return raffle tickets with explanatory letter. **Action D.W.**

Diary

- As recorded on website and 'Blue card'.
A future event, Tuesday 6th September 2016, an evening meeting with D.G. John Dehnel and the three Melton Clubs programmed.

Membership (including Vocational)

- Information evening for potential new members, now planned for 13th April 2016. M.O. seeking names of likely new members to invite to the event. Interest in membership has also been received from many of our Twitter contacts who will also be invited to attend. **Action All Members/M.O.**
- Satellite Club meetings resumed as of 12th January 2016, attendance so far poor but plans to develop interest.
- Members attendance up to 1st February 2015 shows 11 members with <50% attendance. 13 Club activities had occurred during the same evaluation period. Membership committee to continue to review and report concerns. **Action M.O.**

Vocational

- No report received.

Club Service, Fundraising and Communications

- Burn's Night was a successful and enjoyable event generating £270 surplus from raffle etc.
- Brockleby's pork pie visit and pie making 13 booked to attend for the evening of 29th February.
- Joint Melton Rotary Clubs meeting with D.G. on evening of 15th February 7 for 7.30pm at Bowls Club Leicester Road, £8 finger buffet. 15 members of our Club booked to attend.
- Quiz Night Thursday 3rd March 2016 at Royal British Legion, bookings slow at present but plans for further advertising in hand. **Action I.N.**
- District Conference stewarding I.N. attended recent District Conference committee meeting.
- Possible weekend away in Chester still under evaluation, initial costs high.
- Club Charter organisation progressing, bookings starting to come in.
- Classic Vehicle Event programmed for 4th September 2016.
- President's Charity LOROS, event planned in December 2016 - incoming President Ian's Charity.
- Santa Fun Run review meeting planned 22nd February 2016.
- Newsletter, I.N. contacted members who do not regularly attend to ask if a weekly/monthly Newsletter would be useful. Members contacted agreed that present circulations and Club website information was adequate.

Youth

- Youth Exchange. Local candidate interviewed and accepted, process of authorisation through District progressing. **Action E.H.**
- Young Chef events now completed for this year.
- Youth Speaks, two teams from Catmose School in the District final.
- Request for a donation received from Warning Zone, as within Club Assembly proposals Council agreed to a donation of £500. Members approval at meeting of 22nd February 2016 required. **Action E.H./R.A.**
- InterAct. Interest shown from Longfield School, to be pursued. **Action E.H.**

Community

- No report received.
- Stroke Awareness, no information, I.N. to ask Belvoir for definition of plans. **Action I.N.**

Foundation/International

- Foundation Lunch on Sunday 10th April 2016.
- International Afternoon tea and family afternoon, planned for 24th July, J.S. to host.
- Beef Roast event to be organised by A.B. with AGA cooked beef.
- Desford Colliery Band Event planned for 11th June 2016.
Ticket pricing at £10 for standard ticket with £15 for wine and nibbles considered appropriate.
Band Master to visit to meet I.N. and A.B. week commencing 15th February 2016 to progress details of concert. **Action I.N./A.B.**
- Uppingham Concert. School keen to perform but date and details still to be resolved due to School holidays and Church availability from development work. (Jan - Oct 2017).
Consideration to be given to alternative of using a 'professional' orchestra. **Action A.B.**
- Saturday 9th December 2017, St Mary's now booked for a Concert. **Action I.N.**

Visioning

- A feedback presentation to Council by Graham Bett following his evaluation of the Visioning exercise, now agreed for March Council meeting. **Action I.N./R.A.**

A.O.B.

- District Conference committee meeting attended by I.N., electronic booking being trialled.
- Club Charter Dinner, 16 booked to date, (6 apologies from Club Members), Council agreed to invite the three InterAct members and their teacher at the reduced rate of £15. **Action I.N.**

Date and Time of Next Meeting

Thursday 10th March 2016, 6.30 pm at Tresillian House .