

ROTARY CLUB of MELTON MOWBRAY
Minutes for Club Council Meeting, 14th May 2015

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

Apologies for Absence

Received from Ian Neale

Minutes of Last Meetings

The minutes of the last meeting held on 16th April 2015 were accepted.

The minutes of the AGM held on 27th April 2015 were accepted.

Matters Arising

It was considered that most matters arising would be covered within the agenda, other than: -

- 'Friendship' relationship with Rotary Club of Lucon, a first visit planned for May 2016 was no longer possible due to their members prior commitments. J.H. to request alternative dates from Lucon. **Action J.H.**
- Initial discussions held on proposals for funding our annual Foundation donation, these will be formulated ready for presentation at Club Assembly meeting. **Action JH/AB/JD**

President's Business

- President requested that a member's £200 donation previously proposed and agreed for the Polio account, be transferred to the account of Homestart. Council agreed. **Action K.T.**
- Nepal disaster. Council agreed to make a donation of £500 to Shelterbox in relation to the recent disasters. (Monies from International misc. with balance from Fund raising). It was further agreed that the donation would be made specifically for the purchase of Shelter kits, US spec. tent protection and water purification kits as recommended for the Nepalese conditions and problems. **Action K.T./D.O.**

Secretary's Report

- Correspondence: -
 - Letter via. webmaster from 'Melton and District Money Advice Centre' regarding a free impartial debt advice service, next meeting 18th June in Samworth Centre. Details passed to W.H./E.H. for Vocational Committee consideration.
 - Letter via. Melton Borough Council and webmaster from Sandy Lane Parent and Toddler group, seeking financial support. Details passed to W.H./E.H./J.H.
 - Letter from RAF Benevolent Fund thanking members for their £75 donation in respect of part of our Charter speaker's fee.
 - Future meeting dates for Council, SGM, AGM, Club Assembly, Charter etc. provided by R.Abbott's Club Service Committee now on website calendar.
- LOA requests, all approved by Council, secretary D.W. to respond and action: -
 - Bill Glancy immediate effect up to 1st July 2015, work commitments.
 - Joe Carrington from 29th June to 17th August 2015 annual visit to Norway.
 - Renewal request by Membership committee for Pam Posnett, Geoff Goodwin, Heena Dawda, with Atul Dawda now added, all for immediate effect up to and including 6th July 2015.
 - David Ward from 8th June to and including 6th July 2015, holiday and family visit.

- Club Assembly Monday 8th June 2015. Secretary requested that all Committee reports be with him by Sunday 31st May 2015 to ensure consolidation/publication ready for circulation, visiting A.G, and for discussion/approval at Thursday 4th June's Club Council meeting. **Action All Committee Chairs/D.W.**

Treasurer's Report

- Club account balance at £3813.66. Charity account balance at bank at £7559.54 still excludes potential 'Gift Aid' from HM Revenue and Customs of some £2047.99. This amount is still included within the balances defined for the Committees funds at £9607.53. Treasurer requested to include bank reserve amounts in the presentation for the future. **Action K.T.**
- Treasurer detailed a few points from recent Club Assembly 'Treasurer's session' as follows, but would circulate a more comprehensive report later: -
 - Insurance, event organisers should consider requirement for extra insurance needs for each event.
 - President's annual expenses receipts requested to validate.
 - Expenses should be claimed then returned if so wished with 'Gift Aid' benefit.
 - Year end membership numbers, ensure that members are taken off data bases if they plan to resign or not to renew their membership, try to be pro active in assessing 'leavers'. Possibly some future flexibility on 'Rotary year end' membership assessment dates for fees?
 - R.I. Question regarding Youth and Young Musician fees from 'Club Account'?

Action K.T.

Diary

- The diary generally up to date, however Steve Jeal requested members help in sourcing more speakers. A suggestion to seek more presentations by Committees on their projects, and to programme new members 'Job Talks' was proposed and supported by Council.

Committee Reports

Membership (Minutes of the May committee meeting chaired by M.O. on website)

- Satellite Club. The established four members continue to meet, over the next few weeks it is considered that progress will be made in achieving the 8 members required to formalise the Satellite Club. **Action D.M.**
- Interact. Presentation Event at 1pm on Friday 26th June 2015 at Melton Vale where cheques will be presented to four charities selected by Interact, from their charitable funds. The Interact Club Account is now considered an 'old' account by bank, Council agreed that the Treasurer should arrange for the balance of some £330 to be transferred into the Interact Charity account. **Action K.T.**
- LOA, for members Heena Dawda, Atul Dawda, Geoff Goodwin and Pam Posnett, membership committee recommended an extension of their LOA up to end of June 2015, agreed under Secretary's business up to and including 8th July 2015. **Action D.W./D.M.**

All other items covered in Membership Committee minutes on Club Website

Club Service, Fundraising and Communications

- President's Board, new board required as old one complete. Also consideration to be given to changing gold leaf of the last name to match others. **Action R.A.**
- Summer Ball, flier planned by end of this week with full details defined to actively progress ticket sales. Committee now engaged in details of dinner, entertainment, auctioneer, etc. Help requested on sourcing 'quality' raffle prizes, and for presence on Committee from our members as a high involvement from Aurora. D.O. involved in menu options.
- Vintage Vehicle Event. Council supported a request from Ian Neale and the organising committee, that the QMC Helipad Appeal should be a beneficiary of the event and receive a portion of the proceeds. Actual percentage still requires to be defined. **Action I.N.**
- **Fundraising.** Council confirmed that in principle advertising relating to our fundraising events should be clearly defined as "**Charities supported by Rotary**", along with any specifically agreed charity if so defined. **Action R.A./Council Members**

Youth,

- Incoming Committee chairs Paul Dickinson and Eric Hall attended last meeting.
- Youth Speaks. Our entrants in the Regional final held on 26th April 2015, performed exceptionally well, the Senior category representatives came a very creditable second, with the Intermediates unplaced but impressive. Unfortunately neither will progress further as only the winner team go on. However an excellent representation at the Regional final from our teams from Catmose.
- Youth Exchange. Presentations at recent District Assembly confirmed that revised documentation and procedures will be adopted for future Youth Exchange programmes.
- Warning Zone. An Open evening is planned on 30th June 2015 between 6.30 and 8.30pm to enable supporters to visit the new E Safety zone. Belvoir Club actively supporting the scheme.

Community

- Art Group project. District grant application unsuccessful so our Club cheque for £1000 sent. Consideration to be given to a District grant application for next year. The unsuccessful application was initiated as a result of District having monies available for late requests.

Action E.H.

International/Foundation

- District Foundation funding. The 'Arts Project' application from Community was rejected.
- Foundation donation funding. A proposal will be made ready for Club assembly. However the Foundation committee are in favour of both voluntary donations and taking a percentage from all fundraising projects. **Action A.B.**
- **International.** Global Grant of \$123,116 - Philippines Typhoon Support project, monies finally transferred from R.I. Foundation account and received in Philippines, enabling the project to make solid progress. Alison Blythe planning a visit next week to assess status and review any developments. **Action A.B.**
- Committee proposes to establish a procedure for responding to students requesting funding for International Understanding or Educational visits. **Action A.B.**
- Uppingham October Concert. Publicity nearing completion, musical programme developing, however support requested in obtaining quality raffle prizes for the event. **Action A.B.**
- Roast Beef lunch, Sunday 2nd August 2015, planned at £15 including a glass of wine.
- Osprey Project update. President Bill reported on the good and varied publicity for Rotary, and for Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray in particular through this project. Communications are now fully linked up and well established between the Gambian, Spanish and Oakham schools that are involved.

Vocational

- Melton Mowbray Business Focus Forum will form part of Vocational remit for coming year.

Action W.H.

Visioning

- A report summarising the present status of the Club's Visioning as at May 2015 a year after the exercise, was tabled by D.O. as prepared by M.O. on behalf of the Visioning review sub-committee. After a short discussion on the seven key elements defined, it was agreed that members study the comprehensive report with a view to further discussion at the next meeting when further opportunities could be addressed. **Action Club Council**
The President thanked M.O. for his excellent summary.

A.O.B.

- President Bill reported that the Pony Club of Oakham would be prepared to make a donation to Rotary charities for any support given at their events. Future fundraising opportunity to be considered. **Action R.A./W.H.**
- Michael Osborne has kindly offered to act as secretary for the next Council meeting in D.W.'s absence. **Action D.W./M.O.**

Date and Time of Next Meeting 6.30 pm 4th June 2015 at Tresillian House