

## Rotary Club of Melton Mowbray

Minutes of a Club Membership Meeting at 2.15 pm on Monday 11 May 2015

Sysonby Knoll Hotel

### **Present**

Peter Briggs, Diana Osborne, Bill Hill, Michael Osborne

### **Apologies**

David Morris, Brian Gromett

### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2015 were agreed. There were no matters arising which would not be covered by agenda items.

### **Recommendations to Club Council for Members currently on "Leave of Absence"**

The Secretary had advised the Committee that three terms of absence for Heena Dawda, Geoff Goodwin and Pam Posnett were expiring on 11 May. The committee recommended that the Council should approve a further period of absence to 30 June 2015. As the absence of two other members was to be considered by the Committee in conjunction with the absence of these three, a further recommendation would be made after the next meeting of the committee.

The Secretary advised the Committee that an application for leave of absence in respect of a period covering five meetings had been received. This would be considered by Club Council, and the Committee need not comment.

The Secretary further advised the committee that Joe Carrington had advised him that he would like permission for absence for a period of 10 weeks or so to cover a lengthy visit to Norway. The Committee agreed to support this.

### **Satellite Club**

Diana reported that no members had attended the last two scheduled meetings. A further meeting had been arranged for 12 May.

### **New Members**

The position remained unchanged.

### **Interact Presentation**

Diana reported that a presentation by the current members of Interact to the Charities that were to benefit from their fundraising was to be made on 26 June. This occasion should be an opportunity to promote the Club which needed new members to be able to function next year.

### **Approach to Parents**

The Committee were not aware of progress on the hoped for information about potential new Rotarians from the parents of interactors and other young persons involved in Rotary projects.

### **Club Website on Membership**

Diana had given some thought to the changes that might to be made. There were some small changes to keep the information on one page rather than two and some updating of wording to be made.

### **Attendance at Club Meetings & Events**

The attendance records had been updated and were shared with the Committee. There were 10 members who had not achieved 50% attendance at Club meetings.

Records of attendance at 24 activities showed that 12 members had supported 50% or more of these. 27 members had supported less than 25%. An assessment of attendance at Committee meetings and support for Committee activities was being prepared.

### **District Assembly**

Bill had attended the Membership session. The presentation had included Rotary Moments and a discussion about the options available for recruiting new members. The possibilities for associate membership, corporate membership and satellite clubs were discussed.

Michael had attended the Vocational session. Reference was made to the Vocational area of the District website. District were to continue the request for completion of data to establish a skills database, although some reservations were made by attendees. The use of a "job talk" by older members as a benefit to new members was mentioned.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting was provisionally arranged for 1 June at 2.15 pm, to allow consideration of a report to Club Assembly.