

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT KENT AND CANTERBURY CLUB ON 23rd FEBRUARY 2011

1. Attendance: Robert Yonge (President) (RY), Harry Cragg (HC) , John Hill (JH) Richard Kemball Cook (RKC) , Peer LeFleming (PLF) , Tony Pomeroy (TP) , Alastair Scott (AS) , Brian Dobinson (BD)
2. Apologies: Roger Bickerton, Rosemary Doyle, Alan Forrest.
3. Minutes of the last meeting on 25th January 2011 approved
4. Matters arising:

From item 4 - Matters arising of previous minutes;

4a) – presidential citation form about to be completed

6a)- TP has liaised with MM and NM over the presentations to members. AF to liaise with TP on Pentangular aspects.

From item 6

It had emerged that the true cost of Gill Dixon's attending the Dodi Papese completion ceremony in Ghana was to be of the order of £1260, which was more than expected by Gill or other members of the Council when the discussions about her attending on its behalf had taken place. It was therefore agreed on an exceptional basis to increase the Club's contribution to a total of £500 plus £75 for gifts to children of balloons etc (from International funds) but re-iterated that costs of monitoring performance of schemes always to be included in initial budgeting in future.

From item 7e)

15 members interested in visiting air ambulance. Donation of £200 approved from Com Serv funds which were to be augmented by a similar amount from general charitable funds.

5 President's business:

- a) Pentangular – AS had booked 48 seat coach from Lehan total cost £3000, deposit £600 paid. Will leave Thursday morning from Bretts at 6.30am arriving Ludenscheid 6.30pm and crossing Channel by ferry. Total Canterbury attendance expected to be 42, of whom some travelling out by train/plane on Friday but returning by coach. Train cost is £60 one way. HC anxious to make clear to Ludenscheid that on their return trip to Canterbury Pentangular we would not expect them to arrive before Friday as we have no budget for that. AS said suggestion of our arriving Thursday had been made

by Ludenscheid. It was agreed AS would submit written details of travel and accommodation to membership within the next week.

- b) Top Choir going well – all tickets allocated to Club had been sold.
Remaining 250 tickets on sale to public through Marlowe box office at same price of £15 but although these are available to members, we will have to pay the office's commission on them.
- c) Discussion paper and draft proposals on main committee structure had been circulated to Council members .After discussion agreed that all ideas to be submitted to the Council before its next meeting in March for debating then with a view to a final version then being agreed which could be voted on by the Club at its AGM (PLF to check the notice times required).

6 Financial report:

Monthly update – Charity fund £9067, Club £7731 (main debits £348 for maintenance of website and 3600 Ludenscheid coach deposit) , Events £2076 , Millenium £913 – down from £1201 mainly due to grant to Bristol girl for previously-approved project.

Expenditure for ytd vs budget showed underspend (excluding the unbudgeted payment to GD) of approx £600, mainly as budget was based on 59 members as opposed to 67.5 actual.

Not yet in a position to put sub proposal forward for the next year nor say if the Foundation donation of £15 per member could be resumed.

Draft 2011/2 budget to be submitted to April Council meeting with view to presentation to Club AGM in May. PLF to check notice needed.

Dining accounts – explanation of the calculation of the amounts required – that they are based on assumption of 75% attendance.

7. Secretary's report

Nominations sought for election to Constitution ctee of District. Agreed H Basu.

8. Committee reports:

Club service – noted

Com Serv – Mustard Seed choir were giving concert on 31st Mar and would sing at the Guest Night on 31st May.

Kids Out to change to Wingham Wildlife from Howletts as more compact.

Adapted vehicle for Adrian Horton, cerebral palsy sufferer – would cost £6700 mostly raised by parents - £500 grant approved with conditions as in report.

Prostate awareness – M & S would collect funds – list to be sent out in next 2 weeks.

Int - noted

Fundraising – no written report, but meeting had taken place . Tickets for a function at Duke of York's school to be promoted in Club following sale of allocation of seats for Top Choir.

Duck Race – ticket sales to be at ASDA 16-18 June and Morrisons 24-6.

Xmas collections – 3 days Tesco, 2 Morrisons agreed.

Pr meeting to take place RY / MW

Voc Serv – no formal report but trip to Air ambulance arranged 10th Mar. 15 members. Prison trip provisionally arranged for 3rd Mar but to be changed to later in Mar. E Kent Education/business partnership had still not written to BD who was reluctant to press further but he hoped things would improve.

Foundation – thanks to be given to MM for organising collection at Tesco for polio.

9. AOB

The earthquake in Christchurch NZ was discussed but it was felt that as the main foreign support was to 3rd world countries, it was not at that moment appropriate to offer assistance on behalf the Club, but position to be kept under review.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 29th March at 6.0pm – Kent & Canterbury Club.

Meeting ended at 8.0pm