

## **Rotary Club of Canterbury**

### **Club Service Committee**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 6.30pm**

#### **Minutes**

1. In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, RD took the chair. RD, RV and BW attended. Apologies were received from Ken Beere, Sharon Jordan and Martin Ward.
2. The minutes of the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January were approved.
3. There were no matters arising.
4. Current issues
  - A. Registrar – Ken Beere had reported that he had not received the attendance figures from lunches and dinners in January so was unable to work out the attendance record yet.
  - B. Dining and Entertainment – Sharon Jordan had reported that the Burns Night had been a great success with a total of 61 guests. Food, venue and entertainment were excellent.

There are concerns that a number of members are not signalling their intention to attend meetings in advance, so there has been a problem fitting everyone in on tables. The Cricket Club has so far been very flexible in coping with this. Members should be reminded that they should let the Dining Secretary know in advance if they wish to come to a meal. There were queries about celebrating St Patrick's Day more than a week in advance of the actual date.
  - C. Speakers Programme – Brian Wheeler noted that he had filled almost all the speaker slots for April, May and June.
  - D. Stewards Programme – No report from Jake Davies. SJ had asked if something could be done to remind Stewards about attending, as she had had to stand in several times recently. If members are planning to be away for some time, and they think their turn will be coming up while they are away, they should make sure that the Stewards' Secretary is aware.
  - E. Website - no report.

- F. Almoner – no report.
  - G. Newsletter – RD noted that this month and in March she will have to produce the newsletter early due to holidays, and asked for information to be sent in as soon as possible. Those arranging major events should send in material with details ready for the newsletter.
  - H. Membership – no report as deemed not to be a part of this committee. (See below I.)
  - I. Mentoring – Robin Vickers reported that there were no new members in the pipeline. He and Robert Yonge are planning to arrange a meeting with new members possibly in a pub for a chat about how they are finding Rotary, and answer any questions. They will set a date after liaison with the President.  
It was felt by both RV and BW that attending three meetings of a committee was insufficient for new members, and that four meetings would be better. It was also mentioned that new members should be allowed to sample all the main committees before being asked to decide on which committee they wished to serve.
  - J. Archivist – no report.
  - K. Safety Issues and Child Protection – no report.
5. AOB – none.
6. Date of next meeting – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016 at 6.30pm. Apologies were received from RD.