

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY

Minutes of the Community Service Committee Meeting held on 11th February 2014

Attendance and Apologies

Present:

Rtn P Le Fleming (Chairman)
PP S Denham
PP J Hill
PP D Naumann
PP R Vickers
Rtn A Barchi
Rtn G Dixon
Rtn D Lewis
Rtn M Lyle
Rtn C McKone
Rtn V Pritchard
Rtn M Rosen

Apologies:

PP D Barton

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th January 2014

Approved.

2. Matters Arising

None, save as appear in the Agenda.

3. Uncommitted Funds Available

£2,037.00 (plus £750.00 pledged to Steppingstones Nursery and Chartham Youth Club).

4. RYLA Course : 4th to 6th April 2014

MR reported that he had circulated details of the RYLA Course to twelve schools and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme organiser. He has only had interest from one potential attendee. MR and JH will liaise with a view to approaching the Bridge Scouts Group. MR will approach the Worthgate Scout Group.

5. Know Your Blood Pressure and Prostate Awareness Day : 5th April 2014

Gill D reported that both Boots and the Whitefriars have been advised of the date. In early March Gill D will arrange for boards to be circulated in the Club for volunteers and will arrange for suitable posters/publicity. Gill D will contact the hospital to advise of the day should any hospital staff wish to

attend to support the aims of the day (as opposed to fundraising for the hospital). DN reported that nurses from the Chaucer will attend the event. DN reported that someone from Prostate Cancer UK could attend the event with literature but would require some space and a table for the literature. Gill D will advise Boots accordingly. VP will liaise with FoB should their members wish to act as volunteers.

6. Food Bank

MR advised that Chrissie Barr will attend the Club Luncheon Meeting on 25th February 2014 to give a Food Bank presentation.

7. Catching Lives

The Committee considered the report on Catching Lives provided by SD. The Committee agreed to make a grant of £500 to Catching Lives to be used towards the cost of a new washing machine. The Committee asked to be advised when the washing machine had been purchased.

(**Note** after the Committee Meeting PLF sought advice from Martin Ward as to the best way to obtain publicity for the Club for this award. MW advised that a Press Release notifying a grant of £500 to Catching Lives might get a small mention in the Press. The better course would be to arrange for a photo opportunity when the new machine has been purchased with the Chairman operating the machine. A photo opportunity with a Press Release about the Club's involvement is much more likely to obtain local Press publicity. PLF's recommendation is that the grant to Catching Lives should be (a) applied specifically for the washing machine as per the Committee Recommendation and (b) be conditional on Catching Lives agreeing a suitable photo opportunity when the machine has been purchased and (c) Catching Lives advising the Committee as to the progress in obtaining funds for the washing machine so that the Committee is informed of how and when the funds granted are applied for the specified purpose)

8. Charity Selection for the 2014 Sainsbury Collection

Members of the Committee will give consideration to possible local charities to be nominated as the beneficiaries of the 2014 Sainsbury's Collection. Members will report on the charities they wish to nominate. The nominations will be considered at the April 2014 Committee Meeting.

9. Worthgate Scouts

The Committee considered the report from C McK. The Committee agreed to make a grant of £500 towards the cost of replacement windows for the Scout Hut.

10. Greenhill Gymnastics Club

The Committee considered the report from JH. The Committee agreed a grant of £325 to the Greenhill Gymnastics Club towards the purchase of 5 of the 50 leotards needed by the Greenhill Gymnastics Club.

11. Tennis Sponsorship Update

Item held over to the next meeting.

12. Presentation by the Price of Wales Youth Club

Item held over until PP Tim Brett is available to introduce a speaker from the POW Youth Club to the Committee.

13. Any Other Business

13.1 Gill D reported that the “leaf” sponsored at the Demelza House Hospice has now been placed on ‘Tree of Gifts’ at the Hospice recording the Club’s donation.

13.2 DN reported that Adrian Bawtree would be available to speak to the Club about the benefits of music therapy. The Committee agreed that DN should liaise with the Speaker’s Secretary with a view to inviting Adrian Bawtree as a speaker a later Club Meeting.

13.3 DN reported that he will contact the TriAngle Awards Committee and report to the next Committee Meeting.

14. Date of Next Meeting

11th March 2014 at 6.00pm