

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY

Minutes of the Community Service Committee Meeting held on 10th June 2014

Attendance and Apologies

Present:

PP D Barton (Chairman)
PP J Hill
PP D Naumann
Rtn A Barchi
Rtn G Dixon
Rtn P Le Fleming
Rtn D Lewis
Rtn M Lyle
Rtn C McKone
Rtn M Rosen

Apologies:

PP S Denham
PP R Vickers

In attendance is P/ Elect V Pritchard

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th May 2014

The Minutes of the meeting were approved.

2. Matters Arising

- 2.1 D Naumann noted that he had received a letter of thanks from TryAngle Awards.
- 2.2 AB reported that he had received a 'Wish List' from the Prince of Wales Youth Club. AB will circulate the 'Wish List' to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

3. Uncommitted Funds Available

Available fund £1,243. An additional allocation of £1,000 is anticipated.

4. Kids Day Out : 4th June 2014

GD reported on the Kids Day Out on 4th June 2014. GD, ML and DL had attended with 10 children from St Nicholas School together with 9 adults. The event had cost £201.50. ML noted that the children on this occasion had been very young but felt that older children would get more from the event. The day out is quite physically taxing but was nevertheless a very worthwhile event. Spare food was handed to Catching Lives who were advised that thanks were due to King's School which had provided all the food.

The Committee recommended that there should be a 'debrief' of the event with the Headmaster of the School with a view to ensuring that in future years the children attending the event are those most likely to cope with and benefit from the event.

5. Food Bank Update

MR reported that there will be a Trolley Dash on Sunday 22nd June 2014 at Morrison's supermarket at 9.00am. The Canterbury Times will send a photographer. Roger Bickerton will also be in attendance. MR would like as many members of the Club to attend as possible wearing Rotary tabards.

MR also reported that the collection wheelie bin currently has few items in it and will bring the item to the attention of the Club again seeking donations of food.

6. Cobbes Meadow Riding for the Disabled

ML reported that Cobbes Meadow had held their first fundraising event with a second event due at the end of July. The Committee agreed to review the request for a grant after the Cobbes Meadow second fundraising event to see what progress they had made to achieving the required total.

7. Committee Party Update

The party will take place at Renville Oast on 18th June 2014 at 6.30pm.

8. Rotary 2014 Series District Grant Seminars

The Committee noted there is to be a District Grant Seminar on 23rd September 2014 in Thanet. AB and MR are likely to attend but all are welcome.

9. Cruse Bereavement Care

The Committee approved the grant of £450 towards the training costs for 3 volunteers. The Committee requested that Cruse should inform the Committee which group is providing the training.

10. HiKent

The Committee noted a request for funding had been received. DB to clarify further what is needed. John Clayton from HiKent might be a possible speaker for the Club. Details to be passed to the Speaker Secretary.

11. Interclub contribution to TryAngle Awards ceremony

P/E Viv Pritchard reported on a proposal by the RCs Forest of Blean and Canterbury Sunrise to join with Canterbury in providing a £100 award each to the TryAngle Awards ceremony. The Committee provided VP with background history of the previous joint contribution made to TryAngle by the 'cluster clubs'. The Committee advised VP that a grant had already been made for the current year of £250.

The Committee approved a further grant of £100 to be available for a joint contribution with Forest of Blean and Canterbury Sunrise in the interest of promoting cooperation between the Clubs. DB will liaise with Forest of Blean over arrangements for the contribution and how the contribution is to be used.

The TryAngle Awards ceremony will take place on 26th June 2014 at 7.00pm at the Winter Gardens. Gill D, MR or ML may attend. DN to sort out tickets for the events.

12. Sky Larks Choir for People with Parkinsons

The Committee noted the recommendation that Sky Larks Choir should be supported. CMcK will investigate further as to what is required.

13. Any Other Business

13.1 CMcK reported on a meeting with Laura Kennedy of Action on Hearing Loss at Roper House. As yet no ideas have been put forward as to projects to improve residents' lives to which the Club could contribute. The issue will be kept under review at a subsequent Committee Meeting.

13.2 CMcK reported on the outcome of the grant made to the Worthgate Scouts Group. The Scouts Group had attracted extra funding for repairs to the Scout Hut as a result of the grants already made. The Scout Group will now try to replace all the windows.

13.3 DN circulated literature obtained at a dementia work day (handyman services) which may be useful as a resource.

13.4 DL offered to act as an intermediary and channel of communication with the Cruse Bereavement Care.

13.5 AB reported that he had contacted Chartham Youth Club to remind them of the ring-fenced offer of a grant of £250 for a Club outing.

14. Date of Next Meeting

[TBA]