

## ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014

1. Present: Geoff Goodban (President), Viv Pritchard, Peer LeFleming, Sharon Jordan, John Hill, Martin Ward, Tony Pomeroy, Alistair Scott, Brian Dobinson
2. Apologies: David Barton, Robert Yonge, Robert Boyd-Howell
3. Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014 were approved
4. Matters arising: Item 3 - VP had prepared an inventory of assets which was to be amended to include buckets and flags held by AS. Inventory to be placed on website and up to 10 new buckets bought. Most items in Bretts Chapel. Attendance - VP/PH had spoken or would speak to 3 members and a letter already drafted by VP would be sent to them in April. Item 5 -(a) GG had attended Dover meeting which hosted the RIBI President and which he felt was shambolic. (b) GG to arrange for a meeting of the Awards Committee which was to consider, inter alia, 2 long standing members.
5. President's business: Nothing had been heard about Pentangular for some time. GG to ask TL to liaise with St Quentin as it was high time reservations etc were made
6. Members' Business: TP was concerned the Fund's income was not being fully used due to lack of suitable applicants, partly due to the Fund's apparently not being useable for under 18s. He produced a copy of the Trust Deed which stated that the objects were to encourage the education of young people in Canterbury (without specifying age limits) especially by foreign trips and such other charitable purposes as the Trustees saw fit. A set of guidance rules, also produced, stipulated an age range of 18 - 25, but that did not appear to be binding on the trustees, and the meeting felt the Trustees should use the flexibility the Deed provided. VP also to ask PH to publicise the availability of the Fund to suitable Christchurch and perhaps UK students.
7. Financial Report: AS produced figures at 25/3/14. Club Funds - St Quentin w/e £233, Debentures £1930, free funds £3666 less debtors for Faulty Towers evening £205 : net total £5624. Dining a/c - £2773 cash, debtors £1358, total £4131. Charity funds: Allocated - Pentangular projects - in hand £5404 representing 3 years Club contributions @ €2000pa - €4000 to be handed over to Leuven for their Congo prosthetics scheme; Com Serv committee £1637; Int Committee £5404; Foundation £178; Emergency £1306; Sailor Ted £390; Voc Serv committee £400; Prudent Reserve £1333 ; less TCK 2014 (£461); available to allocate - nil .Total net charitable funds - £15592. Millenium Fund - estd value £61500.
8. Committee reports:
  - a. Club service - no meeting
  - b. Community service - minutes circulated - Catching Lives recommended to following year's President for his charity
  - c. International - minutes circulated - the Club had had an address earlier

In the day on Ethiopian Midwifery and the committee was to make a grant to it

- d. Foundation - no meeting
  - e. Fundraising - no meeting. MW stated there were still 5 rows of unsold seats for TCK
  - f. Public relations - no meeting
  - g. Voc Serv - minutes circulated. Young photographer competition 2014 to have a boost as the exhibition of all entries , which was to be at Canterbury Academy after the event, had been accepted as an event for Canterbury Festival. Very poor response to Innovation competition ,although it appeared RTB had secured 2 entries . Council felt any Parliamentary debate , other than Budget or PMQ , likely to be poorly attended and dull, and a tour of the House might be better.
9. Secretary's report:
- a. NM only member to attend RIBI AGM in Birmingham. There were 25pp of resolutions . Council did not propose giving her voting instructions but interested members might wish to speak to her. AS to speak to her about her expenses.
  - b. Dist Assembly - members wishing to attend to notify PLF by 9<sup>th</sup> April
  - c. RIBI Council on Legislation - Club to vote for Stewart Grainger
10. District Matters for noting only:
- a. minutes of District Council meeting on 23/1/14
  - b. RIBI AGM resolutions
  - c. District Conference Eastbourne 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> October 2014
11. AOB - none
12. DONM: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2014 @ 6.0pm K & C Club