

Canterbury Rotary Club

International Committee Minutes for January 14th 2014

1. Attendance: Rtns B.Anderson, G.Colson, M.Griffin,A.Holmes, J.Harris, T.Pomeroy (Chairman) V.Pritchard L.Rea and P Sayer.
2. Apologies Rtns R.Boyd- Howell and C. Lees.
3. Minutes of November 2013 – no matters arising.
4. Finance. Asked AS for finance update but no reply yet – as guide we had £5,400 in November 2013 and gave Shelterbox £1960 for the Phillipine Typhoon Disaster in December.
5. Noted that our club street collection for this disaster raised £ 2340 – thanks to all at Canterbury, Forest of Blean and Inner Wheel for collecting. All the money has been sent to Shelterbox. We gave £4300 in total to this charity.
6. Bob Anderson gave an update on Tools for Self Reliance. They are making use of the storage given by Tim Brett and are installing workbenches in their room at the Hospice. Still no sign of the cheque for £500 the committee agreed to give the charity and noted they have now got a bank account. Other Rotary Clubs, Round Table and Lions are considering giving financial support and a reminder that BA is still collecting second hand tools from far and near. Action TP to chase up the £500 cheque.
7. Correspondence
 - a. Committee agreed that the Braj Care Charity does not meet our criteria for support. Action TP to contact them to wish them well but no financial support.
 - b. Noted that the request from Tiegian Aitkin doesn't fit our committee remit. Sent this to Community Service for their consideration.
 - c. Noted that TP had replied to David Glover (Rotary Shelterbox Officer) with our response to the Philippine Disaster.
 - d. Agreed to invite Nicky Morgan a midwife and trustee of the Ethiopian Midwifery Project to come to our 18th February meeting to talk about the charity's work and stay on for the meal as our guest. Action TP to contact Nicky Morgan.
 - e. Agreed to send Daniel O'Shea £250 towards his July Tanzania trip as he has raised over £2000 himself. Action TP to get cheque.
 - f. Discussed the Juba Bursary Project which will be the third Joint Pentangular Project. MG has been in contact with the Juba School in regard of the fighting in the country and said the school was running normally although some teachers and pupils had not returned after the Christmas break. Both sides of the conflict are talking and our project is still two years away so it hopeful that there will be a lasting peace agreement. Noted also that the Leuven Joint Project will be taking place in the Congo where there is some unrest.
 - g. Noted that TP has still not received Leuven's final draft of their Prosthetic and Orthotics Project which will need to be submitted to our District Rotary Funding Officer in order to apply for a District Designated Fund Grant. Action TP to contact Paul Bosmans.
 - h. No response from Ashleigh Bell.
8. Noted no news yet about our application for a District Grant for the Apprentice Training Programme in South Sudan.
9. AOB --TP said he will be giving Rosemary Doyle information about International's current work so that she can include it in her monthly newsletter.

TP informed the committee that President Elect Viv Pritchard has asked him to stay on for a fifth year as committee chairman but that he will be stepping down in June 2015.

Next Meeting 12.00 on the 18th February at the cricket ground. – TP away for the 10th to 17th February

Tony Pomeroy