Rotary Club of Canterbury

Minutes of the Club Council meeting held on Monday 22nd June 2020 at 18:00 Hours

Present: A. Mepstead (AM), V. Pritchard (VP), S. Thompson (ST), M. Griffin (MG), L. Norris (LN), R Anderson (RA), P. Hermitage (PH), M. Ward (MW), A. Loughran (AL), D. Barton (DB), M. McGeary (MMG).

In Attendance: C. Lees (CL) Taking Minutes, R. Kemball-Cook (RKC) Video Conference Call Manager, H. Cragg (HC), D Mepstead (DM)

Apologies: N. Fraser (NF)

Minutes of the meeting of 12th May 2020: Approved

1 .Matters Arising

None

2. Agreement on Compliance Statement for 2020/2021

Compliance statement requires signatures from President and Secretary. AM will complete and send off.

3. Buster's Book Club

HC requested continuing support for Buster's Book Club for Parkside School. Agreed that £300 to be donated from general charity fund (comprised of members donations).

MW highlighted review of charities to be supported in the future to be instigated due to reduced funds in charity account.

DB to oversee Community Service Committee review of charities that are usually supported and present this to Club Council for decision without delay.

4. Honey Bears

RA reported on problems with the donations to the Honey Bears Charity due to Covid 19. Charity has not spent the money. It was agreed that all stakeholders involved in the donation should be reimbursed as no known date for when Honey Bears will start up again.

Thanks to RA and Deborah Connolly for their hard work.

5. Finance

ST reported on the current status of the Club Accounts

General Fund= £135, Community Service Committee =£169.52, International Committee=£0.00, Vocational Service Committee=£562.60, General Charity Funds = £2058.75

RKC will email members with details of 2020-2021 subscription.

6. District Grant

St Quentin is asking all clubs in the Pentangular to each obtain a DDF (District Designated Fund) grant to support JPP4. Both St Quentin and Leuven have had their DDF grants approved and it was agreed that we should get a copy of their application to form the basis of our own. This will show exactly the cost of JPP4 and how it is to be funded. AL requested copy from St Quentin and is awaiting a receipt.

In addition, a District grant will be available from 1st July with a cap of \$600 and one application per club. Members were asked if they can suggest a suitable project so that we can make an application for such a grant.

VP said that he had agreed with DB that the International Committee would come up with a proposal for a District Grant.

7. Fundraising

25 items have been donated to the auction. AM confirmed the beneficiaries of monies raised will be Canterbury Foodbank, The Prince of Wales Youth Club and other local charities.

Crocus bulbs purchased. Details of where they will be planted to be agreed.

New Fundraising event planned by PH. This will be based on Macbeth and is likely to take place in September 2020.

8. Membership and Regeneration

A discussion took place regarding way to recruit and retain new club members. PH did a short presentation of his ideas for regeneration. MW suggested flexible payment options to attract new members. No decision was taken on this. It was agreed that a strategic plan is required with a defined roadmap showing how it will be achieved. Sub committee comprised of AM, PH, AL and ST to be set up to discuss regeneration.

9. Any Other Business

None

Date of next meeting: Monday 27th July at 18:00 via Zoom