

## **Rotary Club of Canterbury**

### **Minutes of the meeting of the Club Council on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 at 6pm via Zoom**

1. Present: Stephen Thompson, Tony Loughran, Rosemary Doyle, Maxine Blades, Peter Hermitage, Martin Ward and Alan Mepstead
2. Apologies: Brian Dobinson, Kailash Maunick
3. Minutes of meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021 -agreed.
  - a. Matters arising not covered elsewhere
    - i. Purchase of video conferencing equipment – Martin/Stephen/Kailash.  
ST noted that he had sent out via email MW's list of equipment needed to support hybrid working (Replacement IT Budget attached). MW reviewed his list and costings.  
ST looking at General Fund to fund the new equipment.  
Council agreed to expenditure of £650. ST to confirm with KM. MW to source new quote and check software licenses.
4. Correspondence
  - a. Maxine's List (attached) – all in hand
5. President's Business
  - a. Timing of Evening Dinner Meetings 7.00pm or 7.30pm start  
JH has asked for clarification. Confirmed as 7pm for 7.30pm start with a target 9.30 pm finish.
  - b. Water Bottle Refilling Point fundraising update – Stephen reported that members have donated £17K plus RB's early donation gives total £23K  
Looking to complete application to Viridor Credits by end of February. We now have two quotations for the WBFP. Structural engineers have also checked the drawings and are happy with the structure.  
RD asked for more leaflets for a potential sponsor.
  - c. Centenary Party – MW reported that following rescheduling from 9<sup>th</sup> February at Malthouse, it was agreed to hold event in ST Presidential Year. Malthouse unable to move date so alternative venue now at Cathedral Lodge. Meal price is better, as are other costs, and Centenary Party now being held on 18<sup>th</sup> June. New invitation with printers for distribution shortly.  
ST noted that budget has been paired down to loss of £400.
  - d. Pentangular: programme has come together, and flyer has been translated into French, and will be sent to Presidents with information next week.  
Thereafter invites will be sent out to Pentangular clubs and requests for help to Club members.  
1<sup>st</sup> April is date to agree that event will proceed.

- e. June Date Changes – Centenary party fixed for Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>. Safari Supper scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> June – ST asked if it should it still carry on? TL suggested keeping it in calendar and offered to organise the event. Club Council Dinner proposed for 29<sup>th</sup> June.
- f. Key post vacancies for 2022/2023 – Tony noted that the Club still needed Treasurer and is asking GB for advice with the possibility of a three-person committee dividing jobs amongst them for a three-year time plan. ST noted that the Club also needs a Vice Chair but no progress as yet. TL/RD to approach potential candidates.
- g. Presidential Chain – Sue T is refurbishing the chain to be ready for 9<sup>th</sup> February dinner.
- h. Centenary Day 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022 – HC is holding a coffee morning at the Abode & Dinner Meeting in Pavillion at Cricket Ground for members and guests. Sparkling wine and a few presentations. MW asked about WiFi but ST to confirm.
- i. World Rotary Day – 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 ST to talk to JN
- j. 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 Paul Frostick Visit – DGE to visit. ST to plan activities.
- k. Report on Burns Night. ST reported that many of those attending have sent thank you notes saying how much everyone enjoyed the evening. Raffle raised £205. Small loss covered in dining account.

#### 6. Cooperation with Local Clubs – Stephen/Tony

- a. 26<sup>th</sup> January meeting report – Tony/PH meeting FoB/Sunrise/RCC with presidents and VP's to look at scope for co-operation. PH presented PowerPoint which was used at the meeting.
- b. Shared projects 2022/2023  
 With FoB: TL noted that there would be a Bat and Trap evening in August, and we would join with Sunrise for 2 x Santa evenings, SR and JR have agreed to work on new projects.  
 RD asked if we could include other clubs' events in our programme.  
 ST to meet with TL to look at closer liaison with Sunrise and RCC.

#### 7. President Elect Report - Tony

- a. Community Service – NB TL has agreed to help with charity fundraising Marie Curie Day  
 Met on 10<sup>th</sup> January, not quorate.  
 Reviewed last 7 months,  
 St Nicholas' School went to Reindeer Land just before Xmas and had a great time.  
 RYLA & Food bank in reserve  
 Pilgrims Way donation of £250 received with thanks  
 Rising Sun donation for Xmas boxes made.

TL concerned that 'ad hoc' donations have a narrow focus whilst meeting corporate plan but need to encourage members to suggest additional beneficiaries. MW suggested asking JR to add to social media.

TL to confirm CSC budget/spend.

ST to ask Club for any suggestions

- b. International – met 18<sup>th</sup> Jan. Pilgrims Way School donation much appreciated. Dakar eye surgery project – 10 operations paid for. Tonga situation under review.

Possible District Grant for Dakar project application in February.

Loans with Care continues.

- c. Vocational – met last week,  
Primary writing competition completed, prizes to be awarded. £345.  
Senior writing competition in hand.

#### 8. Vice President Report – Rosemary's report attached

- a. ST helping with Film Night 18<sup>th</sup> March. Craft Fayre cancelled. Jumblebee for this has been cancelled.
- b. Years of Service certificates have been received for DN, RB and ordered for AB.
- c. GB reports that 100 Club has 63 – next draw due in March
- d. RD reported that the book club continues
- e. Dining account members standing orders – ST to send RD list of people to be chased.

#### 9. Treasurer's Report – Kailash

- a. Finance report – balances, Charity account only reconciled to November.
- b. Duck Race final result & final transfer to Charity a/c , usually split between three spending committees TL suggested give 50% to International and Community Service Committees – agreed by Council.
- c. Gift Aid claim – Stephen noted that RCK now gift aid organiser.
- d. Replacement Dining Accounts Scrutineer – Stephen noted that its still outstanding. TL will review with GB

#### 10. Recruitment – Martin

- a. Keji Moses membership ratification by Club Council – agreed. To be inducted 2<sup>nd</sup> February
- b. Jim Gascoyne classification – Cross Cultural Trainer
- c. Other Prospective Members – none currently identified.

#### 11. Business Meeting items for agenda

- a. Club contact for Tools for Self-Reliance required

12.Club Programme continues as planned, including 9<sup>th</sup> February dinner.

13.Next Club Council meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm.

14.Any other business

- a. Tonga update – RI Bulletin received and passed onto VP for consideration.
- b. TL – Council expressed condolences with TL for his broken arm.