

**YATE & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION
TWINNED WITH BAD SALZDETFURTH**

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 25th November 2011 at 19:30

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Mick Robbins
Cleone Trotter
Alan Spiller
Kath Williams
Martin Monk
Mike Pearce
Gill Latham

Ruth Boulton
Ian Blair
Wully Perks
Gordon Williams
Rick Boulton
Pam Pearce

Also present: Laurence Walker, Chris Monk

1. Apologies: Sue Walker, David Hardill, Rafael Pepiol, Lesley Killock

2. Minutes of the September meeting:

The minutes were proposed as an accurate record by MM and seconded by MP

3. Matters arising: to include Report /Review of events since last meeting

(a) Wine-tasting: there were 56 present – a profit of £84.12 to the association. RuB thanked MP and PP for all their efforts.

(b) A.G.M. The meeting had not been quorate. It was agreed that a Special General Meeting be called, to be held at the beginning of the Annual Dinner in January 2012, when the amendment to the Constitution will be raised. The circulated minutes of the AGM were proposed as an accurate record by MM and seconded by MP, then approved for placing on the Association web-site.

4. Communications and Correspondence

(a) Thomas Stelzer, now a councillor in Bad Salzdetfurth, had written to raise the topic of possible student placements in Nurseries in both towns. It was agreed that a sub-group (MM, AS, PP and IB) be formed to investigate the issues and report back at the December meeting.

(b) Community Transport: it was agreed that membership would not be renewed.

5. Publicity and Contacts: The South Glos Twinning Federation had suggested the formation of a "Twinning Choir". AS agreed to circulate details via e-mail.

6. Treasurer's report:

IB circulated a printed report which was agreed after detail amendments.

7. Membership matters, to include Web-site update:

PP reported that some of the web-site figures had increased, while others had decreased. The increases were mainly from Germany. It was agreed that AS and F. Blair should examine the content of the Bad Salzdetfurth town web-site with a view to YTC suggesting up-dates and corrections to relevant items.

8. Programme of events:

(a) Christmas Markets Trip – RuB reminded the committee that this trip will be run at a loss, but some money will be made with an on-board raffle.

(b) 2012 programme of events. The proposals were discussed: a few amendments were made – AS agreed to circulate the revised version.

(c) Visit to Bad Salzdetfurth 2012: GL reported that the two quotes (Hatts and Bakers Dolphin) were very similar – it was agreed that the officers meet again after the Christmas Markets Trip to make a decision on the coach company. It was agreed that the target price be £375 all-inclusive, based on 30 adults. It was further agreed that the price for accompanied school-children be £250 each.

9. Next Committee meeting: Friday December 16th at 19:30 in Poole Court

10. A.O.B.

PP asked that photos from the Christmas Markets Trip be sent to her for possible inclusion in the web-site gallery.

The meeting closed at: 21:20