

YATE & DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION
TWINNED WITH BAD SALZDETFURTH

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 21st September 2012 at 19:00

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Mick Robbins
Ian Blair
Alan Spiller
Rick Boulton (RiB)
Mike Pearce
Rafael Pepiol
Lesley Killock
Gordon Williams

Ruth Boulton (RuB)
Kath Williams
Sue Walker
Gill Latham
Pam Pearce
Martin Monk
Wully Perks

Also present: Penny Spiller, Laurence Walker

1. Apologies: David Hardill, Cleone Trotter

2. Minutes of the July meeting:

The minutes were proposed as an accurate record by IB and seconded by GW

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

(a) Newsletter: PP asked if it could be put on the web-site as a PDF; it was agreed to invite contributions from Bad Salzdetfurth; PS stated that she had enough material for the next issue to be published.

(b) Item 8(a) – consideration of refunds: it was agreed unanimously to return the trip deposits paid by Charles and Jean Horton as they had been unable to travel due to serious illness.

(c) Item 8(b) – the trip to the Bristol Blue Glass Factory had been very successful; some participants had also visited the Bitton Steam Railway on the return journey.

(d) Item 8(e) – the Barn Dance had been cancelled due to a lack of interest.

4. Communications and Correspondence

(a) the proposed dates for the 2013 visit from Germany - 29th April to 6th May were accepted without comment.

(b) PS reported on the closure of the Frampton Cotterell Twinning Association: there had been a surprisingly large number of members attending; after 3 years, any remaining funds of the Frampton Twinning Association will be

transferred to this association. IB reminded the meeting that there was a pre-existing link between Yate and Kelbra, dating back some 20 years.

- (c) invitation to twinning conference at the German Embassy in London on 12th October. PS agreed to attend and report back: train fares would be paid.
- (d) a card had been received from Betty & Vic Heathfield, thanking the association for the gift of theatre vouchers which had been presented to them on their departure from Yate during August. It was noted that they had been founder members of the association.
- (e) PP reported that she had heard from Thomas Stelzer: the proposed link at primary school level would not now proceed.

5. Treasurer's report: IB presented the provisional accounts. He reported that the YTC grant application had been successful: the £700 will arrive in due course. IB further reported that the move to electronic banking had been successful.

7. Membership matters, to include Web-site update: following the recent demise of the Frampton Cotterell Twinning Association, it was agreed to offer free membership of this association for 2013 to all of their existing members.

8. Programme of events: AGM 12th Oct. in Poole Court at 19:30
Planning Meeting for 2013 – Sat Oct 13th at 10:00

9. Next Committee meeting:
Friday November 16th at 19:30 in Poole Court (RuB and RiB gave their apologies)

10. A.O.B. It was reported that the wreath for Remembrance Day had been arranged and paid for.

The meeting closed at: 19:57