

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

**MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 19:30**

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Ian Blair  
Rick Boulton  
Ruth Boulton  
Gill Latham  
Martin Monk  
Mike Pearce

Pam Pearce  
Mike Robbins  
Alan Spiller (from item 8)  
Sue Walker  
Gordon Williams  
Kath Williams

Also present: Penny Spiller (from item 8), Laurence Walker

**1. Apologies:** DH, RP, WP, CT

**2. Minutes of the November meeting**

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

**3. Matters arising:**

- a) A cheque for £250 had been received from Hatts Coaches to compensate for the lack of a second driver on part of the August visit to Germany.
- b) The dates of the 2011 visit from Bad Salzdetfurth to Yate had been changed from 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> July to the 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> September.
- c) The Worcester Christmas market trip had been cancelled.

**4. Communications and Correspondence**

- a) A thank you note had been received from GL for the flowers she had received.

**5. Publicity and Contacts**

None.

**6. Treasurer's report**

IB reported that the current balance was £3,458.72. The Public Liability Insurance had been renewed (£172.50). A deposit of £50.00 had been paid for the Christmas

Markets trip. An invoice had been received re the Annual Dinner at Poole Court – the booking had been confirmed.

## **7. Membership matters**

There had been changes to the Programme, which needed to be discussed. A renewal reminder would be sent out in the following week. In response to a question from PP, it was noted that if a subscription was not renewed, the details would be removed from the postal mailing list, but an email address would be left on.

## **8. Programme of events 2011**

AS had revised the Programme of events, following the change of dates for the visit from Bad Salzdetfurth.

- (a) The July Committee meeting would be held on 15<sup>th</sup> July and the BBQ on 16<sup>th</sup> July. The September Committee meeting would be combined with the Pre-hosting meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> September.
- (b) There was a discussion about the date for the Treasure Hunt. Options were to include it as part of:
  - the Community Music Festival;
  - the wider Festival i.e. either side of the Music Festival;
  - the International Festival on 2<sup>nd</sup> July;
  - Heritage Open Days;
  - the Proposed Youth/Schools Festival.

MM suggested that it should be part of the International Festival. Agreed

- (c) Annual Dinner – the room in Poole Court had been booked from 6 – 11pm. RB to organise after Christmas.
- (d) Quiz: MP requested raffle prizes. Posters to be sent out electronically and put up locally. He would report to the next Committee meeting.
- (e) GL reported that she had received confirmation of the Christmas Markets trip from Bakers Dolphin. The total cost was £240; deposits of £35 p.p. were required by the end of February. She and PS had worked on a break even point of 30 people. IB proposed that a deposit of £40 p.p. was requested. Agreed A poster would be produced after Christmas.

## **9. Date of next meeting:** Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup> 2011 at 19:30 at Poole Court

**10. A.O.B.**

(a) South Gloucestershire Twinning Forum

A meeting had taken place on the 9<sup>th</sup> December. The Forum was looking at themes for working together, so that individual associations might benefit. For example, the possibility of negotiating a cheaper price for public liability insurance was being investigated. The next meeting was the AGM on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2011 at 7.30pm in Yate Library. All are welcome – David Hardill will be talking about Heritage and Twinning.

(b) IB had filed a corporation tax return.

**The meeting closed at: 20:50**