

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

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 16th April 2010 at 19:30

Present:

Officers and Committee:

Mick Robbins
Cleone Trotter
Lesley Killock
Kath Williams
Ruth Boulton
Martin Monk

Gill Latham
Alan Spiller
Mike Pearce
Gordon Williams
Rick Boulton

Also present: Penny Spiller, Christine Monk, Laurence Walker, Pam Pearce

1. Apologies: Ian Blair, Sue Walker, David Hardill

2. Minutes of the March 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) Visit to Big Pit: March 28th – very enjoyable for all concerned
- (b) Item 5: Pam Pearce was formally co-opted to the committee – nem. con.
- (c) Item 4(d): S. Glos. TA – RuB reported that George Kousouris will arrange 2 meetings to start the process: first at Yate Fire Station on 11th May at 7.30pm
- (d) Item 10: Bath visit – PS not yet sure of availability of guide to Prior Park

4. Communications and Correspondence

- (a) The death of a former member, Peter Wakefield, was announced – Chairman to send card.
- (b) RUBS newspapers were distributed
- (c) Local Radio: SW has agreed to participate in a live broadcast on Gloss FM on 26th April to talk about Twinning.
- (d) The Chairman reported that she had sent a letter of sympathy to Bochnia, following the Polish air disaster.

5. Publicity and Contacts:

(a) Web-site progress report – a ‘hard copy’ of the finalised design was distributed. It was agreed that IB and PP will be the ‘webmasters’, with other officers receiving training as appropriate.

(b) Alveston TA publicity for St George’s Day distributed

(c) Chipping Sodbury ‘Taste of France’ publicity distributed

6. Treasurer’s report: a refund of August Visit deposits paid by two members was agreed unanimously. IB to be asked to send them a cheque for £150.

7. Membership matters:

(a) MR reported that links were being developed via Rolf Jakobs involving the gymnastics & circus school, also the Guides and the Junior Fire Brigade in Germany

(b) It was suggested that letters be sent (via BGS) to the parents who had hosted children from Bad Salzdetfurth in March.

8. Programme of events:

(a) International Beetle Drive – April 17th
- uncertainty about numbers attending

(b) Valuation event – May 14th at Yate Library – arrive soon after 7 for a 7.30 start

(c) August visit to Bad Salzdetfurth: AS reported that there was no definite allocation of hosts. GL reported that the final payments were due by the end of June.

9. Next meeting: Friday May 21st 2010 at 19:30 in Poole Court - agreed

10. A.O.B.

MP asked for the loan of wine glasses for a Chipping Sodbury TA function - agreed

The meeting closed at: 21.02