

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGBOROUGH HATTON
CHARITY PROPOSALS MEETING
HELD AT
WELLINGBOROUGH GOLF CLUB
ON
TUESDAY 4TH JUNE 2019

Members Present:

President Richard plus John Collins, Brian Evans, Tony Frankland, Nigel Grimmit, Trevor Handcock, Ken Harrington, George Hodgson, Paul James, Bob Parfitt, Dick Parsley, Dennis Randall, John Rogers, David Smith, Dick Voller, Alan Waller and Derek Wingrave.

Introduction

President Richard welcomed the other 16 members to the meeting and asked Rotarian Dick Voller to relay to the members discussions he had had with Incoming President Nigel. Nigel had expressed his deep concern about the very evident factions and frictions in the club over the past months. He felt that this was divisive and to the detriment of the club programme. Nigel felt that if this did not change, he could no longer go forward as club president.

He asked therefore, that every member considered the part they had played and to resolve to make the club a coherent group and in doing so to support him in his presidency. He asked that members take time during the meeting to think about what Dick had reported and that a vote be taken at the end of the meeting to show support for him and for his wish to see a changed atmosphere in the club.

Membership

Richard advised members that Peter Bramley intended to leave the club and move to the Hinckley Ambion with effect from 1st July.

Burdwall Golf Day

Alan Waller asked members to take and distribute Burdwall golf flyers.

Treasurer

In David's absence Derek asked members to ensure that when planning to pay their subscriptions for the coming year that bank transfers and cheques were dated on or just after 1st July. Anything dated prior to that increased his administrative workload.

Fun Day

Richard thanked everybody for their efforts in support of the Fund Day and especially to David Smith for bearing most of the administration load. The attendance was over 2,000 estimated from the entry gate count. The financial outcome was not yet known but was anticipated to be in the same order as previous years. In response to a question from Bob, David said that he would welcome offers of help with administration in the weeks leading up to the day next time around.

Charity Giving Proposals

In opening the discussion Richard said that there were a greater number of proposals than in previous years and that bids exceeded the funds available. He asked each bid sponsor to consider whether their bids could be withdrawn or reduced in order to stay within the limits of the funds available.

Each sponsor spoke to their bids and offers of reductions or withdrawal were accepted with some bid specifications amended. In essence, small reductions were agreed for Smile International (£200 from £250) and Chelsea's Angels (£400 from £500) with a 50% reduction in the Foundation top-up (£500 from £1000). The bids for Dementia UK and a water charity withdrawn on the grounds that Dementia UK had received the in-year income from the Burdwall Gold and that a water charity would receive whatever the 'penny pots' generated in the year with no top-up. Similarly, no immediate provision would be made for a Shelter Box, but rather enough funding would be retained in the International account line to provide one later. The meeting agreed that the donation to the scouts should be aimed towards supporting their participation in the forthcoming jamboree rather than the Gang Show. Finally, it was agreed to vire funds from the International line to cover the grant to Chelsea's Angels thereby keeping the projected grants within the funding limits provided by the treasurer (Proposed by Alan Waller, seconded by David Smith and agreed 16 votes for with one abstention).

The final grants agreed were as follows:

	Charity	Proposer	Amount Agreed
1	Smile International	David Cernik	£200
2	BPF – Post Polio Support	Nigel Grimmitt	£1000
3	Foundation - APF	Dick Parsley	£500
4	Foundation - Polio	Dick Parsley	£100
5	Foundation- Top-up	Dick Parsley	£500
6	Talking Newspaper	Bob Parfitt/Tony Frankland	£200
7	Nikita Jade Fund	Tony Frankland	£400
8	Wellibus	Tony Frankland	£200
9	Daylight Centre	Brian Evans	£200
10	Isebrook Uplift	Tony Frankland	£79.55
11	Scouts (Jamboree)	Ken Harrington	£300
12	Little Faces	Dick Parsley	£120
13	Chelsea's Angels	David Smith	£400

This allocation left a small positive balance in each of the account lines. The overall distribution was proposed by Derek Wingrave, seconded by Paul James and agreed with 16 members for and one abstention.

Voting on Nigel Cheetham's Proposition

The President return to the opening topic as presented by Dick Voller. He asked every member to consider the points made by Dick on behalf of Nigel and to decide for

themselves, without debate, whether they would support a more positive atmosphere in the club with greater co-operative working and therefore support Nigel in the office of president in the coming year. This was proposed by Dick Voller, seconded by Alan Waller and carried unanimously by 17 votes to nil.

Club Meeting on Tuesday 18th June

President Richard suggested a change of programme for Tuesday 18th June when there were already several apologies. It was agreed that the meeting at the Golf Club would be cancelled and replaced by a scatter night.

Sergeant at Arms

Brian did his best to fine members for misdemeanour.

Signed
President

Date