

Beverley Lemgo Twinning Association

Minutes of the Management Committee

Wednesday 3rd December 2008.

Present:

Mrs. La Pensee, Mrs. G. Vosseberg-Benson, Mr. M. Revell, Mr. G. Pearson, Mr. B. Cressey, Mr. J. Moore, Mrs. B. Ayre, Mrs. Julia Blackwell (TESCO Community Liaison Officer).

Apologies:

Mrs. C. Chamberlain, Mrs. L. Dawson.

In the absence of both Mrs. Dawson and Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Ayre took the minutes of this meeting.

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The minutes of the meeting on the 4th of November 2008 were approved.

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Matters arising

Mr. Cressey to arrange coffee and biscuits to be provided for the next Stammtisch on the 18th as it is the last one before Christmas.

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Applications for membership

No applications have been received this month.

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Reports of officers

a) **Hon. Secretary** vacancy

b) **Hon. Treasurer** The Hon. Treasurer presented last month's financial report, which entails some purchases for the stall at this year's Christmas Market.

c) **Travel Officer** vacancy

d) **Supper Club Organiser** The next supper club is on the 9th of January 2009, order forms for this have gone out to the members.

Mr. Cressey suggested an entertainment duo to come, we will allow a maximum of £75 for this. Mr. Moore suggested that we could up the cost of future meals from £9 to £10, the increase to go towards the cost of future entertainments. This was agreed. The order forms for the annual dinner on the 7th of February 2009 will be sent to members shortly.

e) **Accommodation Officer** vacancy

f) **Youth Officer** Nothing to report.

g) Website Officer The website is up-to-date.

At this point Mrs. La Pensee showed the members a new application form format, designed by Mr. La Pensee. This was welcomed by all, and Mrs. La Pensee will endeavour to print some of these off in time for the Christmas Market.

h) Euro Grants Officer vacancy

i) Press-Officer nothing to report, absent.

1208

Festival Of Christmas

The members who volunteered their services for this event discussed the practical issues. The charge for the Gluehwein will remain the same, i.e.£2, with a piece of stollen gratis. The stall will be in approximately the same place as last year, and apart from the wine and stollen we will offer information and membership forms to interested people.

1209

Beverley Renaissance Partnership

Mrs. La Pensee explained to Mrs. Blackwell our relationship with the Partnership. There will be the North Bar Celebrations in July 2009 where we can be involved, and we can write to our twinned towns in Germany to contribute, e.g. in explaining the associations with the German Hanse towns and the trading guilds. This also coincides with the 30th anniversary of the twinning between Lemgo and Beverley. Mrs. La Pensee will draft a letter to the town councils of Lemgo and Stendal to invite their participation, and will contact our Mayor, suggesting that the two Buegermeisters will be invited to the celebrations.

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Any other business

Trip to Lemgo: The last weekend in June 2009 is the Strohsemmel-Fest, so this would be the ideal time to go, possibly also take in other sights around the area as well. Mrs. La Pensee will check the exact dates for the festival, and Mr. Revell will make enquiries re the cost of air fares at that time. The discussion on this matter will continue at the next committee meeting.

Mrs. Blackwell thanked the committee for inviting her to the meeting and expressed a wish to remain involved. She was invited to join the committee as a member and accepted.

The next committee meeting will be on Wednesday, 7th of January 2009, in the TESCO meeting room.

The next Supper Club will be held on Friday, 9h of January 2009, at Cottingham Golf Club.

Dates for the German Conversation Group for 2009:

Jan. 8 & 22

Jul. 8 & 23

Feb. 12 & 26

Aug.13 & 27

Mar. 12 & 26

Sept. 24

Apr. 9 & 23

Oct. 8

May 14 & 28

Nov.12 & 26

Jun. 11 & 25