



RAFA Global Branch 1370 Minutes of committee meeting held on the 24th April 2022 at 2000 hours

Attendees: Mr Steve Mullis
Mr Andrew Thomson
Mr Graham Croft
Mr Gerwyn Thomas

Item 1: Apologies:

- i) Ms Nicky Loveday (Welfare), Mrs Maz Holland (Social)

Item 2: Minutes of the last meeting (20th Feb 2022)

- i) Correction to the above as follows: Gaye (Give as you earn) membership should have read 67 and not 39 as stated.

Item 3: Matters arising from the last minutes.

- i) Nil

Item 4: Chairman's report

- i) The Chairman reminded the committee that they had already agreed to his requirement for £179.00 for accommodation whilst attending the area conference, he now however asked for agreement for accommodation costs of £220 for the annual conference in Birmingham. The committee agreed in principle, however the Secretary pointed out that as only 3 other members were present this would be better if the whole committee agreed. The Chairman said he would email the remainder of the committee to gain agreement but does make the point that to attend committee meetings (where possible) is important *(This has since been done and agreed by 7 committee members in total)*

- ii) The Chairman mentioned he would still like ideas for the 2023 AGM, however, went on to say that Odiham had come out as first (during recent vote) with Coningsby second. The nearest suitably costed accommodation for both of these is 15 miles from these RAF stations. He is presently in contact with Odiham and has provisionally suggested a tour of the station in the morning with the AGM to be held in the afternoon along with lunch in one of the messes (Sgts or Officers). As a finale perhaps an evening meal off base. As regards Coningsby, this is still a suggestion and the Secretary will investigate some contact telephone numbers for this location and pass to the Chairman.

Item 5: Treasurers report

- i) The following figures were supplied by the Chairman as the Treasurer was not present.

Ordinary account: £ 4319.71 (with £345.94 ringfenced for Wings appeal)

Welfare account: £ 407.96

Item 6: Welfare officers report

- i) The Welfare officer was not present but had passed via email to the Secretary there was nothing of significance to report

Item 7: Secretary's report

- i) The Secretary had nothing to report.

Item 8: Wings report

- i) The Wings member mentioned he had recruited 2 new people to carry out collections for the Wings appeal. One of these is in Macclesfield and is the CO of the local Air Cadets, Flt Lt Lawrence Elliot, and the other is Paul Smart in Lincoln. Both collections will take place on Saturday 17th September 2022. The Wings member also mentioned the fact that due to Tesco rules these will be carried out using the RAFA charity number.

Item 9: Social report

- i) As the Social member wasn't present there was nothing to report. The Chairman, however, mentioned that some members have been asking if any Branch trips are planned/forthcoming. The Secretary therefore stated he would get in touch with the Social member to see if any progress had been made.

Item 10: Any other reports

- i) The Membership representative supplied the following figures for the branch:

Total:	569 members
Comprising:	300 ordinary
	167 lifetime
	44 associate
	58 Give as you earn

Item 11: Other Notified items

- i) Nil

Item 11.1: Items raised by members

- i) Nil

Item 12: Any Other Business

There was no other business to discuss, the next meeting to take place on 22 May at 1900 and the meeting was therefore closed at 2057



Andrew Thomson
Secretary.
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