



*"The Kingdom of Heaven is
like a grain of mustard seed"*

Open Kingdom

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Saturday 21st August 2010, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

The Centre in the Park,

Norfolk Heritage Park

Sheffield

1. Opening Prayer, Welcome, Thanks & Introduction by VW
2. Present: Vic Whittaker (Chair), Diane Whittaker (Hon Sec), Angela Rees, Tina Tomlinson, Isaac Randall and Jeremy Thornton
3. Apologies received on behalf of...

Paolo Altamura, Anne Saxton, Natalie Randall, Ann Thornton
4. Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted with one amendment, the spelling of Ann Thornton's name – proposed by Tina Tomlinson and seconded by Jeremy Thornton.

Update given by the Chair on the possible purchase of the hotel to serve as an orphanage – no progress, and the contacts in Andhra Pradesh and Pakistan – likewise no developments.

5. Annual Reports:
 - 5.1. Chair's Report was delivered by VW, questions taken and Misem Report made available to those present. A short video, which had been prepared for Women's World Day of Prayer, was shown with commentary from DW.
 - 5.2. Treasurer's Report was delivered by DW in the absence of Anne Saxton. Questions were taken and a full set of accounts circulated for information.

6. Appointment of Charity Trustees
 - 6.1. VW, DW, CT and PA all indicated that they were willing to stand for another year. This was proposed by Tina Tomlinson and seconded by Isaac Randall. Unanimously agreed.
 - 6.2. Isaac Randall was nominated to stand as Trustee and Hon. Treasurer. Proposed by Angela Rees and seconded by Tina Tomlinson. Unanimously agreed.
 - 6.3. Jeremy Thornton was nominated as a trustee and proposed by Diane Whittaker, seconded by Isaac Randall. Unanimously agreed.
 - 6.4. Tina and Angela were both willing to stand as trustees but agreed to defer their nominations until next year to allow rotation of trustees at that time.
7. Proposed Resolutions

There were no other resolutions
8. Any other business
 - 8.1. We discussed the possibility of Jeremy producing a promotional DVD for OK. Jeremy offered this earlier in the year and he and Di will investigate this further.
 - 8.2. Angela suggested producing a promotional leaflet which might be useful as a 'first contact' with individuals and organisations. Tina indicated that this would be helpful for her in presenting OK as a possible mission organisation for consideration by her church. The question most likely to be asked would be how the money would be advancing the Gospel. The leaflet was agreed to be an excellent idea. Di and Vic will look into the possibility.
 - 8.3. Angela also suggested using a small bucket for collecting loose change as a form of donation for individuals. This was also considered to be a good idea and Di is to investigate.
 - 8.4. We discussed investing the £1,000 currently being held for a possible India project. Isaac is going to investigate and advise when he returns from holiday.
 - 8.5. Chair to produce a letter of thanks to Anne Saxton for her three years service as Hon. Treasurer.

The meeting closed with prayer at 4:00 pm.