



# Meeting Minutes

A meeting of Hartshill Mothers Union was held at Hartshill Library on 21 February 2018 commencing at 7.30pm

## Attendees

Sue Foster, Wendy Albrighton, Dorothy Beebe, Jan Blamire-Brown, Sheila Hinds, Beryl Todd, Gill Smith, Gill Wilkes, Linda Kelly and Yvonne MacKenzie.

## Apologies

Sally Young, Rita Bennett, Sandra Smith, Heather Greaves, Sue Parr

The meeting opened with a prayer said by Sue Foster.

## Reading of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda for 21 February 2018.

It was noted by Wendy Albrighton that at last year's meeting she did not volunteer to arrange a Desert Island Disc evening, the D.I.D. idea was rejected. Also, Sue Foster agreed to contact Ruth Taylor, not Sue Parr.

## Elections

The following members were elected to the posts as shown:

- Leader: Sue Foster
- Treasurer: Heather Greaves
- Secretary: Yvonne MacKenzie

## Programme Plan

- a. Prayers. The following members will continue to say prayers at future meetings:
  - Heather Greaves
  - Sheila Hinds
  - Jan Blamire-Brown
  - Sally Young
  - Sue Parr
- b. Refreshments. All members to assist with refreshments as required at future meetings.
- c. Gift purchasing. Wendy Albrighton standing down and Gill Smith to take over.

d. Forthcoming events. A discussion took place regarding forthcoming events and the following were suggested:

- Deanery Service on 16<sup>th</sup> May (which falls on a MU meeting evening), all to attend instead of Hartshill meeting.
- Boxes from last year were sent to Bulgaria. Linda Kelly standing down from Operation Christmas Child, it was agreed that the MU will not continue with Christmas Child, but if anyone would like to make up a box Sue Foster will deliver them to Janet Popejoy.
- In June's meeting it was agreed that we would make poppies, Sue Foster to post the pattern for them on the website.
- September's meet agreed to make Christmas wreath for the church Christmas Wreath Festival, the theme being Shepherd and Sheep.

A discussion then took place and was decided that reward for speakers should remain the same as per last year.

## Finance and Fund Raising

Sue Foster circulated the financial report on behalf of the treasurer and it was agreed that the contributions would be the same as last year

- Annual fee to MU Central Fund - £22.50
- Branch funds - £1 per meeting
- Sunshine tin - 30p to 50p
- Sue Foster put forward Heather Greaves suggestion of a pudding evening to raise funds for MU. We will discuss this at a meeting when Heather Greaves is in attendance.

A discussion then took place to reconsider the donation that should be made to the church for the use of the library for our meetings, Wendy Albrighton suggested £25 to be paid now and £25 to be paid September, everyone was in agreement.

It was also agreed that we continue to supply and pay for the Daffodils for the Mothering Sunday service on 11<sup>th</sup> March.

Any further suggestions should be passed to Yvonne or Sue Foster

## Arrangements for Mothering Sunday

Members to meet at the community centre at 10am on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March to make posies. Everyone to bring some greenery. Sue Foster to bring kitchen roll, foil and rubber bands.

The following volunteered to provide the following to be sold at the Mothering Sunday service:

- Yvonne MacKenzie - cake
- Heather Greaves - cake
- Gill Wilkes - sponge
- Wendy Albrighton - tiffin (to be sold at 50p per slice)
- Shelia Hinds - tin loaf
- Sue Foster - biscuits

Linda Kelly and Heather Greaves to serve the tea and coffee  
Dorothy Beebe and Gill Smith to sell the cakes.

## A.O.B.

Sheila Hinds suggested a recruitment campaign, a discussion then took place and suggestions were put forward. Table at Spring Fair with posters, leaflets etc, Sue Foster to organize.

Jan Blamire-Brown suggested a notice board in the back of the church, Sue Foster to put a display together.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm

Secretary