COMBERTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 5th Annual General Meeting held on Thursay 12th May 2005 in the Village Hall.

Committee Members present

Malcolm Wright (Chairman) Peter Mitton (Treasurer)

Mary Catlin (Secretary)

Members present

Dorothy & Colin Morison

Mavis Jackson

Derek Catlin

Janet McCabe

Harry Browne Nerys Wright

Paula Hollick

Brian McCabe

Ann Webb

Eileen Marsh

Sandra Hyde

Betty Cole

Barbara Mitton

Shirley & Dennis O'Mulloy

Ruth Furnival

Angela Ayling

Visitors from Le Vaudreuil

Marie Curial

Patricia Lejeune

Apologies for absence

Brenda & Ivan Brown

Isabel & Tony Tate

Sally Maynard & Les Duncombe

Andrew Hollick Liz & John Bland

Michelle Lincoln

Mike Winney & Jane Wakelin

Barbara & Tony Cox

Margaret & Brian Cook

Ken Jackson

Jean Bacon

The chairman welcomed the visitors from Le Vaudreuil

Minutes of the A.G.M held on the 20th May 2004

These were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Janet McCabe and approved by all members present.

Matters Arising

There was nothing to discuss under this item.

Chairman's Report

A copy of this is attached.

Secretary's Report

Mary Catlin reported that Isabel Tate had resigned from the Committee due to work commitments. We are pleased that she has remained as a member of the Association.

Eileen Marsh was co-opted onto the committee. We are still one committee member short as our Constitution allows for 7 committee members.

There has been a small increase to our membership to 70 from 61. This is made up of 53 adults and 17 children. We still need to recruit more members, particularly families.

Mary, Derek, Peter and Barbara visited Le Vaudreuil in January and attended the Annual Meeting. The meeting was followed by a Alsace meal (described as a "picnic") provided by the members.

Finally, members were asked to inform the Secretary of any changes to their details, particularly email addresses.

Treasurer's Report

Peter Mitton distributed the Statement of Account for 2004. He explained the detailed items and reported that we currently have £1800 in the bank.

It is hoped that we can keep the cost of travel in September to £25 per head as last year. This year we have a free ticket through Eurotunnel, but this will not be available in future years. We therefore need to fund raise to keep cost of travel to France as low as possible and for entertaining our guests during their visit.

A question was asked about what our the insurance premium covers. This is an insurance policy through Comberton Village College. If we were to have our own public liability insurance it would be more expensive.

Adoption of the annual statement was proposed by Ann Webb, seconded by Janet McCabe and accepted by all members present.

Election of Committee Members

Malcolm Wright said that he was prepared to stand as Chairman for one more year.

The present committee members were all prepared to stand for another year. All members present were in favour of them standing for a further year.

Dorothy Morison agreed to join the committee, proposed by Ann Webb and seconded by Paula Hollick and accepted by all members present

Recruitment of new Association Members

Several advertisements had been put in Contact and in the Cambourne magazine. To date these have not attracted any new members. It was agreed that word of mouth is the best way of recruiting new members.

The Meridian is advertising for a language teacher, so it is hope that with French on the curriculum there will be some interest in the Association from younger families.

Ideas for Future Social Events

It was suggested that we try to time the visit from Le Vaudreuil with a local event. It was also agreed that next year we should have the main event on the Saturday evening and a barn dance was suggested.

It was suggested that we have a December social. Sandra Hyde suggested a wine tasting evening.

The Quiz night is to be held again in November – this to be our main fund raising event.

Harry Browne suggested that we could have an evening showing French films.

Any other Business

The annual dinner will be held on the 29th June 2005 at Madingley Hall. Members have been given a notice of this event.

Mavis Jackson thanked the committee members for their work during the year.

Malcolm Wright thanked members for attending the meeting.

Date of 2006 Meeting

The meeting was arranged for Thursday 11th May 2006