



Brigade Council Business, Saturday 3rd September 2011

The Rev'd Darren Middleton, Chaplain 31st Cardiff conducted the opening service.

The Brigade President, Professor Sir Kenneth Calman KCB, read a message of greeting that had been sent to our Patron, Her Majesty The Queen on behalf of Council. Council then stood to receive Her Majesty's reply.

Members of Council were welcomed to Cardiff by Councillor Jayne Cowan, Deputy Lord Mayor and to Council by Mr David Aubrey QC. The Brigade President replied and welcomed members and guests and thanked the organising committee. Mr Jeff Cuthbert AM, Deputy Minister for Skills, National Assembly for Wales, presented Queen's Badges to young people from Wales who had gained the award.

Members of the Brigade who had died in the past year were remembered.

Minutes of Council held in 2010 in Armagh, which had been circulated, were approved by Council.

Mr Chris Row and Mr Perry Donaldson, Brigade Vice Presidents, presented the Annual Report for the session 2010/11 highlighting the achievements of young people in the year of stability and consolidation.

Mr Clifford Bygrave, Brigade Treasurer, presented the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2011. Mr Bygrave highlighted several key matters including an operating surplus after paying pension fund contributions of £95,760 and recognising fund transfers of £28,565 on the year. Mr Bygrave then went on to highlight his policy for the present financial year where the Executive has budgeted to cater for the ongoing requirements of the pension scheme deficit. Mr Leslie Buttimer, Brigade Executive, seconded the presentation. Council received the accounts.

Mr Bygrave proposed and Mr Buttimer seconded the following Capitation Fees for the 2011/12 Session:

Category		Fee
Annual Company registration fee		£125.00
Fee per young person		£11.50
Officer fee	Company Officers	£25.00
	(second officer at the same address)	£20.00
	Battalion & District Officers not on Company roll	£25.00
	Officers in receipt of state retirement pension	£19.00
	Officers in full time education or training	£19.00
Helper Fee		£11.50

The fee in respect of an Associate Member is £27.00

The maximum fee that a Company may pay in respect of young people is £1,400.00

Following discussion a vote was taken. There were 120 votes in favour and 54 votes against. The motion was carried.

Whiting & Partners were reappointed as auditors of The Boys' Brigade and the Brigade Executive was authorised to fix their remuneration.

Mr David Richmond proposed and Mr Michael Elliott seconded the following Brigade Office Bearers for the 2011/12 Session who were approved by Council.

President: The Rev'd The Lord Griffiths of Burry Port
Vice Presidents: Mr C L Row, Mr T W P Donaldson, Mr A S Burrow, Mr M J Smith
Treasurer Mr C Bygrave
Chaplain The Rev'd S Emery

Council was invited to London in 2012 by Ashley Lampard and Emmanuel Mensah.

The outgoing President, Professor Sir Kenneth Calman KCB, addressed Council reflecting on his period in office. A presentation of photographic images of the Isle of Arran was made to Sir Kenneth on behalf of the Brigade.

Council closed with worship led by The Rev'd Darren Middleton, Chaplain 31st Cardiff.