

**ROTARY CLUB OF ANCASTER AM**  
**MINUTES**  
**Monday August 10, 2020 7:00pm**  
**Zoom**

**PRESENT:** Murray Green, Beth Pearson, Scott Forbes, Kathryn Smith, Ian Barrie, Jack DiSalvia, Tracy McMurter, Alan Zucker, JP Verbundt

**REGRETS:** Randy Raphael, Jessica Wooder, Gavin Morphet,

1. **Secretary** - Beth Pearson - **MOTION:** by Beth to approve July 6, 2020 minutes. Seconded by Tracy. All in favour. Carried.
  - Beth attended Rotary Secretary Zoom meeting on August 5th with Pene Hutton. Reviewed 7090 website and the information available. <https://rotary7090.org>
2. **President** - Murray Green
  - Murray met with Hodon Abdi-Horvet who is the ACS youth coordinator running their new youth group called The Net. They have 24 members between the ages of 13 to 18. They are looking for ways to give back to the community. Discussed ways that our groups could interact; support each others projects with volunteers, provide speakers for their meetings, provide individuals who can describe their professions on career days, potential candidates for our youth programs. See below for details from the website. Karl will be the club liaison with the group.
3. **Past President** - Scott Forbes
  - City of Hamilton looking for information from users of the building. Murray will complete and send back.
4. **President Elect** - Kathryn Smith
5. **Treasurer** - Ian Barrie
  - 2020/2021 preliminary budget for General and Trust distributed for discussion. Will maintain \$50,000.00 as reserve base in the Trust. Remove costs for Spelling Bee, add \$10,000. for Community Services, increase bottle drive revenue to \$8500.00. **MOTION:** Ian moved to approve and recommend to club with changes. Jack seconded. All in favour. Carried.
6. **Membership** - Jack DiSalvia
  - IPS (Justin & Ryan) will be joining as corporate members
7. **Public Relations** - Jessica Wooder
  - no report
8. **Foundation** - Randy Raphael
  - no report
9. **New Generations (Youth Services)** - Gavin Morphet

- no report

**10. Community Services - Tracy McMurter**

- no report

**11. International Services - JP Verbundt**

- \$4000 in budget - will review Laos again

**12. Club Services - Alan Zucker**

- will add new members to Pod list
- Longo's cooking class is still open to do

**12. New Business**

- Future meetings - Jim Panoff suggested we could use his meeting room/chapel. He can hold up to 40 people. If the Rotary Centre opens, are we comfortable holding meetings there?
- Carson suggested a virtual "Autumn Stroll", similar to Niagara-On-The-Lake's Big Backyard Event. Encourage local restaurants to participate, get musicians to live stream, maybe some backyard games. This event might be too late to organize. Jack will see if Carson can simplify by encouraging people to support restaurants on Autumn Stroll date.
- Thank You to restaurants - purchase gift cards (5 cards, \$100 each, maximum of \$10,000) from various local restaurants, who have supported our club in the past, and auction them off using an auction company from Puslinch. **MOTION:** Jack moved to approve and recommend to club. Tracy seconded. All in favour. Carried.
- Bottle Drive - the last Sunday was yesterday, August 9th. Another full trailer, with potential of \$1500.00 to \$1700.00. Suggestion to continue once a month, third Sunday of each month. Will post upcoming dates on social media. September 20th, October 18th, and November 15th. Not December. Will maybe start up again in April 2021. Suggestion to give donors Thank You cards with Rotary info, before they leave.
- Fundraiser - Karl proposed Christmas, meet Santa event, at his backyard barn. Good idea, but not certain with Covid situation.
- Spelling Bee - **MOTION:** Kathryn moved to cancel for this year. Jack seconded. All in favour. carried.
- Dr. Davey - will leave as is for now. Soup days probably cancelled, and a reimagined Christmas Party may happen.

**14. Next meeting date/location - Monday September 14th via Zoom**

*The Net – Ancaster's First Youth Empowerment Program*

*The Net is a youth lead initiative that aims to help young people connect, learn, and be engaged in their community. We've assembled a fantastic youth empowerment team, a collection of students ages 13-18 from the different schools in the Ancaster area that meet monthly to create, plan and organize programs and events. This program allows youth to be stakeholders in their own development, and gives opportunities to make a positive impact through recreation, volunteering, social outings, educational presentations and more! Be sure to follow us on Instagram (@thenetacs) to learn about all the programs readily available for youth in our community.*

*Would you like to join our Youth Advisory Committee and help make a difference for youth in the community? We are looking for Ancaster-area youth between the ages of 13-18 to meet once a*

*month and brainstorm, plan and execute programs and services for local teens. For more information, please send The Net a message on Instagram at @thenetacs.*

*If you have any questions or would like to partner with The Net, please contact our Youth Empowerment Program Coordinator, Hodon, at [thenet@hpl.ca](mailto:thenet@hpl.ca) or call our office at 905-648-6675.*

*<http://ancastercommunityservices.ca/programs-and-services/youth-programs/>*