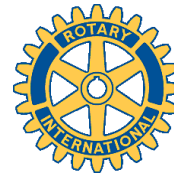


## **Rotary Club of Niagara Falls Sunrise**

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, July 25, 2016**



**MacBain Community Centre 7150 Montrose Road, Niagara Falls, ON.**

**Present:**, Bob Smith, Peter Feren, Tawnya Hartford, Dan Mazur, Ross Durdan, David Berry, Jennifer Schoenhals, , Harry Walker, Don Cruikshank

**Absent:** Diane Kon, Brian Kon, Olya Makerewich, BJ Romans

#### **1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:34 PM. DAVID BERRY: CHAIR**

#### **2. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 25, 2016**

Motion to Adopt Minutes made by Jennifer Schoenhals

Seconded by Bob Smith

Carried

#### **3. ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING:**

3.1.1. Bench Plaque for Ken Smith: A date for the dedication of the bench (to be located across from Betty's) will be announced soon.

3.1.2 Board Restructuring: David Berry will address the issue at the Sept. 15 Meeting and bring it to membership for feedback – 8 members for the Board is being proposed, an email will be sent out, David has someone in mind for a Strategic Planning Session

3.1.3. We are still \$250 short re; donation for Bearskin Lake students from Welland's Rotary Club and the Town of Pelham,

#### **4. DIRECTORS REPORTS:**

##### **4.1. President (David Berry)**

4.1.1. Area 8 Rotary Clubs Meeting: District Conference for 7080 District will be held at the Marriott Gateway Hotel on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> weekend (7080 is West Toronto to Stratford and Shelburne), \$200 from each 7090 Club and manpower from each club is mandatory, Jennifer and Nancy to help with hospitality

4.1.2. Area 8 is looking for more cooperation when it comes to contributions to the Millennium Trail. City of Niagara Falls is looking for \$100,000 donation. Recognition for any donation we would make would give us naming rights to a

certain section of the Trail. David Berry to address City to see what the lowest threshold would be. We are looking in the \$40,000 range.

4.1.3. Other Rotary Awareness Ideas: need to generate more community awareness of rotary (result in more community support and increase membership) Suggestions include: Building/supporting a float for the Santa Clause and Canada Day Parades, having a booth at Canada Day activities, Music in the Park or hosting weekly movies in various local parks (provide screen, popcorn, pop)

4.1.4. We need to have members visit other clubs in other to encourage interclub support

4.1.5. Michael Brown has been Area Governor for a few years and is looking for someone to assume the role soon

4.1.6. Peter to send copy of Budget for 2016/17 that was passed at final Board meeting of his Presidency

4.1.7. David needs a copy of the Club's original Charter

4.1.8. Goal for 2016/17 is to increase membership to 38 (3 new members)

4.1.9. David is planning more social activities for the Club to inspire more participation from membership

**4.2. Past President: (Peter Feren)**

**4.3. President-Elect: (Harry Walker):**

4.3.1 Harry to contact June Mergl re: Paul Harris Night

**4.4. Treasurer: (Bob Smith)**

4.4.1. Still have 9 members who have yet to pay their dues

4.4.2. Wayne Gilmore's membership fee to be covered by money spent to cover his meals, Wayne to be contacted re: this proposal

4.4.3. We should make a concerted effort to spend money at our disposal before the end of June

4.4.4. General Account: \$8198.48    Service Account: \$7,409.57 as of August 31 after dues are paid.

4.4.5. Shaver Donation to come from Community Services budget surplus (last year), Memorial Bench funds to come from Community Services as well

## **5. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:**

### **5.1. New Generations: (Jennifer Schoenhals)**

5.1.1 Jennifer has booked Mike Taylor (Rotary Youth Exchange) to speak to the Club. He will be bringing literature and posters and discussing protocol for host families. A committee for Youth Exchange will be formed soon.

### **5.2 Public Relations: (Tawnya Hartford)**

5.2.1. Tawnya is now Director of Public Relations for the District

5.2.2 Tawnya at o contact Crime Stoppers as we have yet to pay them for last yea

### **5.3 PODs/Membership: (BJ Romans)**

5.3.1 September's speakers have mostly been booked and Pod 1 co-chairs are awaiting responses from potential speakers from remaining two meetings.

5.3.2. October Co-chairs have been reminded of their duties for the month and suggestions for potential speakers will be provided if necessary. They've been asked to have a speaker from the Club (hopefully their own Pod) later in the month – recommended by Linda Booth, and with the Club's consent.

### **5.4 Community Services: (Diane Kon)**

### **5.5 International Service (Don Cruikshank)**

5.5.1. Don is looking to add new members to committee which includes himself, BJ, Dan, and Nancy

### **5.6 Vocational Committee: (Ross Durdan)**

### **5.7 Club Service: (Olya Makerwich)**

### **5.9 Secretary: (Dan Mazur)**

5.9.1. Dan to start submitting articles to District newsletter

**6. Other Business**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**8. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:50 pm**

**Proposed: Next meeting: Monday, September 26, 5:30 to 7:00, MacBain Centre**