

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 26, 2019

Board Room, MacBain Community Centre

Niagara Falls, ON.



Present: BJ Romans (via Zoom), Nancy Tkachuk, Dale Hall, Bob Smith, Harry Walker, Jennifer Schoenhals, David Berry and Tawnya Hartford

Other: Jim Sissons and Scott Wright for presentations to the board

Regrets): None

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 PM. Nancy Tkachuk: CHAIR
Quorum has been reached. YES

2. Reports from Club Fundraising:

RIBFEST - Scott Wright

Scott made a presentation about the results from Ribfest. He is requesting that the board approve a \$10,000 request to cover the loss of this year's event as well as give enough to have enough for deposits to continue Ribfest for the following years. The board will discuss where to get the money from to give to Ribfest.

Dale motions to approve. Harry 2nds. Approved.

CANADIAN ROTARY FELLOWSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

Jim is proposing that we support the initiative to assist with the proposed Golf Tournament for October 4th-8th 2020 at the Grand Niagara Golf Club and Prince of Wales hotel in Niagara on the Lake. Jim's committee consists of Carrie Zeffiro and Donald Cruikshank from the club.

Jim is requesting that the board give him \$1000 for deposits for small expenses. He has also requested that the Canadian Fellowship committee loan him \$5000 if he needs it as a deposit for the Grand Niagara golf club.

Harry motions that we loan Jim \$1000 for this project. BJ 2nd the motion. Board passed the motion.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY, 2019 with corrections.

Motioned: Dale Harry 2nd: Harry Walker Approved

4. ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING:

NONE

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

3. President (Nancy Tkachuk)

3.1 September 4th is the President's dinner at Betty's restaurant. An e-seminar about meme Wednesday, November 6th is a friendship exchange with visitors from Mexico. Our club is planning on being involved with the other club. Leadership Program - October ??

3.2 We are preparing to have a goal session meeting the Monday before our regular board meeting.

3.3 September 28th - in Lancaster, NY - cost is \$70US per person - where Flamingo of Change awards will be presented.

3.4 A proposed project in India will be funded through the grants program for 2020, Rotarians are encouraged to participate.

3.5 Polio plus links for World Polio Day in October are available to promote all events that support End Polio Now.

4. Past President: (BJ Romans)

4.1 Dave Berry has been updating the member lists of who is participating in which committees. BJ would like to ensure that new members are participating in committees. BJ would like to work on job descriptions for board members and roles when she returns to Niagara. Dave will download all the manuals from Rotary International and upload them to club website.

6. President-Elect & New Membership: (Dale Hall)

6.1 A prospective new member was sent to Dale from Dave Berry.

6.2 Dale sent out a message to the club for the 30th anniversary committee. Wayne, Nancy, Taylor, BJ and Jennifer has also agreed to be part of the committee.

6.3 \$88 dollars away from breaking even. 34 bottles of white wine left to sell.

7. Vice-President's Report (Jennifer Schoenals) via email & in person for additional notes

7.1 There will be a project in St. Maarten and San Juan on the district cruise. The St Maarten project is all set, but they are asking for school supplies. The San Juan project is still in the planning stages, but there will likely be a request for funds to help rebuild the homes of Loiza. It is hopeful that we will be doing some type of hands on project in the 7 hour visit to Puerto Rico. I am hoping that the international committee can consider this request, once the details are set. There are 10 different clubs represented on the cruise, so they may ask each club for \$1000 US donation to help the San Juan group.

7.2 The Rotary in Action Day is September 28, 2019 at Fox Valley Country Club in the morning. Clubs will be receiving awards at this time. IF no one else is planning to attend, I will be there, as the VTT team is on the morning agenda.

7.3 The VTT team is going to present to the district on September 10th in Fredonia September 28th at the Leadership Conference. Jennifer has also been asked to speak at the Niagara Falls club meeting in the fall.

8. Club Secretary: (Tawnya Hartford)

8.1 An email is scheduled to go out reminding members that there is no meeting on Thursday and that if members have not RSVPed to Taylor for the President's picnic on Sunday September 15th to do so,

9. Treasurer: (Bob Smith)

Account as June 30, 2019

General Account: \$6572.43

Motion

Service Account: \$24,479.74 (after Ribfest contribution)

Motion: Jennifer 2nds: Nancy Service Account final balance approved.

9.1 BJ is suggesting that the excess funds that have been collecting to be put towards a 30th anniversary legacy project. The legacy project should be something that provides something substantial to be given

to the community.

9.2 Bob will be paying the district dues \$3001CAN for our club immediately.

9.3 Bob needs to reissue a money order for the Guatemala project as the wrong name

9.4 Dues are still owed by the following 12 members: Shawn Felstead, Ildiko Fossey, Doug Fraser, Patricia Grayley, Brian Kon, Dianne Kon, Olya Makerwhich, Carrie Zefferio, Sang Nguyen, Andrea Waters, Ruth-Anne Neutwig, Jim Sissons.

11. Club Liaison: (Harry Walker)

11. Harry to work on his club description about the role of Club Liaison to be presented to the club.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Pods – BJ Romans - September is booked. Harry is pod chair
- B. Community Service - Dale Hall/Rich Gark
 - B.1. (via email) The only positive change is a \$1000 contribution to the United Way backpacks for kids. They also appreciated our offer to help however they were blessed with an abundance of volunteers. Rich may be attending the photo op on August 28th to promote our donation to the project.
- C. International Service – BJ Romans
 - C.1 BJ received the information for this year's cost for Shelterbox at \$1800. We may need to commit to providing one box this year.
- D. New Generations - Jennifer Schoenhals
 - D.1 Once school returns, BJ and I will be going to have a look at the plaques that hang in the schools with our Rotary Medalists award winners. St. Michaels has indicated that they do not have one of these. BJ and I will try and make a complete list of student recipients and get this task done this fall.
 - D. 2 The other club in October and November will be recruiting for an exchange student next year . I have informed Bruce Henning that we will not be interviewing at this time.
 - D.3 Thijs has indicated he may visit in February and Anna said she is trying to attend St. Paul graduation in June. So this may be an exciting year coming.
- E. Vocational Service – Ross Durdan /Harry Walker - No report until September
- F. Public Relations - Tawnya Hartford/Taylor Wright
- G. Social Committee – Taylor Wright/Tawnya Hartford
 - There are 18 guests confirmed for the president's picnic. Reminders will be sent for people to RSVP by August 31, 2019.
- H. Fundraising
 - a. Wine/Beer - Dale Hall -
 - b. Cluster Funding – Dave Berry - The meeting has been delayed until October. This year there are only 2 proposed projects to present to the cluster fund group.
 - c. End Polio Now –
 - d. Ribfest – Nancy Tkachuk/Scott Wright -
 - e. TV Auction – Dave Berry - This year we have agreed that we will be doing our own input work for this year's auction items.
 - f. Polio Tulips - Chuck H
- I. RC of NF Sunrise Foundation – Carrie Zeffiro - No report

J. Rotary International Foundation – Dennis Gilmore - Dennis is considering taking on this role after Nancy sent him the details of the position.

K. AV Computer Services – Dave Berry - No report

12. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Bob is sending a cheque for \$1500 for Polio Plus.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:40 pm

Motioned:BJ Romans 2nd: Bob Smith Approved.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 23, 2019 AT 6:00 PM Community boardat MacBain Center

GOALS MEETING: Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:00 PM (To be confirmed)

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING: Monday, October 28, 2019 at 6:00 PM