

## Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 23, 2019

Board Room, MacBain Community Centre

Niagara Falls, ON.



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

Other:

Regrets (not circled):

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6 PM. NANCY TKACHUK: CHAIR

Quorum has been reached. YES

2. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF August 2019

Motioned: Bob Smith 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jennifer Schoenals Approved

3. ITEMS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING:

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

#### **4. President (Nancy Tkachuk)**

4.1 Cancellation of the work project and the September Rotary Day of Action that was to take place on Saturday, September 28th in Lancaster, NY due to low registration.

4.2 Thanks to everyone that came and participated in the President's Picnic. Thank you to Scott and Karen Wright for hosting. Thank you to Dale and Taylor for organizing.

4.3 November 6 - Friendship Exchange with a small group from Mexico. The Niagara Falls Club is looking to get some assistance from our club on showing the group a good time when in Niagara.

4.4 Thank you for anyone that assisted in the organization of the zone conference - we helped with the booking of the band as well as the pipers. Thank you to club members that helped with organizing including putting together the conference packages.

4.5 February 2020 (9-16) - A group of Rotarians are heading to India to work on projects. Anyone interested in this project please contact Nancy for more information.

4.6 Guatemala Literacy project coming up in February and July. For more information visit <https://www.guatemalaliteracy.org/>

4.7 Youth Conference - Saturday, October 19th - NOTL Conference Centre - Nancy to forward information to Jennifer and Tawnya as there might be some interest for members involved in our youth programs.

#### **5. Past President: (BJ Romans)**

5.1 BJ has broken her knee and is seeing a specialist today. She would like some information on budgets. Bj is asking if we should reallocate some funds for further years due to losses at this year's Ribfest. To be discussed further by the board at a later date.

## **6. President-Elect: (Dale Hall) via email**

6.1 We have begun planning the 30th anniversary event. Save the date: Sept. 19 2020. The committee consists of: Andrea Waters, Wayne Gilmore, Jennifer Schoenhals, Nancy Tkachuk, and I have been informed that Carrie Zeffiro has taken the place of BJ Romans (Carrie please confirm). BJ Romans and Scott Wright have both agreed to be advisors to the committee when called upon. October 16th is the next meeting at 6:30pm at Queenston's place (Wayne Gilmour's building).

## **7. Vice-President's Report (Jennifer Schoenhals)**

7.1 Rotary in action day has been cancelled. Jennifer will be speaking at the cruise instead. Jennifer is now responsible for all the on-board activities for this year's cruise. She has had a few challenges with the committee and organizing of the cruise activities.

## **8. Treasurer: (Bob Smith)**

Bank Accounts (end of August):

Service Account: \$22913.32

General Account: \$3077.09

Bob is suggesting that we do not renew the term deposit, we can decide to use some or all of the funds. Motion to not renew at this time. Bob motions and Jennifer 2nds. Approved.

Discussions about what the Club Foundation is and what they are allowed to donate to. Club Foundation money can only be given to those charities that have a registered number. The board is to research and find out to which projects from our Community Service budget can be paid for by Foundation money.

Dues are still owed by the following: Jim Sissons, Ildiko Fossey, Carrie Zefiro, Brian Kon, Diane Kon, Ruth Ann Nieuwesteeg, Shawn Felstead, Pat Grayley, Doug Fraser, Sang Nguyen.

## **9. Club Secretary: (Tawnya Hartford)**

Nothing to report. I will try to get the minutes out to the board two weeks before the board meeting.

## **10. Club Liaison: (Harry Walker) via email**

10.1 Proposed role of Club Liaison to be considered by the board:

- To be a member to board go between
- Will attend board meetings on behalf of members.
- Will take written concerns, questions or complaints from members to the board.
- Will take written replies back to members in a timely fashion.

## **11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Pods – Dale Hall
  - Update from Harry regarding October schedule:
  - Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> Club assembly
  - Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Dinner meeting at Betty's, Plated Turkey dinner, tea- coffee, dessert and Tax included \$25.
  - Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> Klaas Zeldentust of Better Health Made Simple.
  - 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween. I am working on something with the Halloween theme should be fun. I will give details when it is finalized.
  
- B. Community Service - Rich Gark/Dale Hall
  - Since the last meeting the Budget has been distributed to all committee members .
  - The United Way has received it funding in the amount of \$1000 in support of Back packs for Kids.
  - We have received Thank you notes from the Niagara Nutrition Partners and the Education Foundation of Niagara.
  - The Committee Unanimously approved a \$1000 donation in support of our fellow Rotarian Ron Mergl. Unless otherwise directed I will leave it to the Board to forward these funds.
  
- C. International Service – BJ Romans
- D. New Generations - Jennifer Schoenhals
  - Jennifer was planning to wait until BJ returns from the cottage to work on replacing the awards for St Michaels plaques.
  
- E. Vocational Service – Ross Durdan /Harry Walker
  - Update from Harry via email:
  - Stamford Interact
  - 10 Members which is 4 more then last year, They will be doing the purple pinky for Polio fundraiser on Oct 24.
  
  - Westlane Interact
  - 17 members, we met on September 12<sup>th</sup> Marsh Hunter is the Teacher, they are doing the Purple pinky fundraiser on Oct 24<sup>th</sup> and are starting to plan for a teacher pie in the face fundraiser.
  
  - St.Paul Interact
  - First meeting Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, Teacher Samantha Booth, 20 proposed members, meeting again Sept 24 to hold their elections, Planning to do the purple pinky fundraiser and After elections will start planning another fundraiser.
  
- F. Public Relations - Tawnya Hartford/Taylor Wright
  - Nothing to report.
  
- G. Club Service – Tawnya Hartford/Taylor Wright
  - Deborah Toth from the NF Rotary Club was at our meeting and announced plans for the joint Christmas dinner with the other club. Tawnya will send out info to the club after the Thanksgiving dinner.
  
- H. Fundraising
  - a. Chase the Ace – Dave Berry

- b. End Polio Now – BJ Romans
- c. Ribfest – Nancy Tkachuk/Scott Wright
- d. TV Auction – Dave Berry
- e. Tulips for Polio - Chuck Hodgson
- I. RC of NF Sunrise Foundation – Carrie Zeffiro
- J. Rotary International Foundation –
- K. AV Computer Services – Dave Berry

## 12. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 The Community Outreach has requested some help for two dates for volunteers to help with dinner in October. The dates are October 9th and 18th, volunteers would be needed from 2pm to 6:30pm. Tawnya will send out emails to the club with a signup sheet as well as an email for help from the other club.

12.2 Goal setting - Nancy went into the goal setting area to enter what she thought the objectives should be. The board looked at the goals quickly, a meeting date will be planned in the future to see how we are progressing on these goals. It is proposed that we discuss this with the entire club at the Club Assembly on October 3rd. Dave to summarize the goal requirements to discuss with the club.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35 pm

Motioned: Jennifer Schoenals 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Smith Approved

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, October 28th, 2019 AT 6:00PM at MacBain Center