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MEETING NOTES

President Brad rung the bell at precisely 7:00 and Peter Harding led the group in the singing of O Canada. President Brad then proceeded with a Land Acknowledgement. Janet Blahun was then called upon to lead us in grace. After a short bit of confusion Harold Aitkenhead stepped up and led us in a thoughtful impromptu grace.

Bill Hope then introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. Visiting us today were: Debra Dunkanson – guest of Peter Harding, Boyd Russell – guest of Joe Klassen, Toffi Olutuya – guest of Ola Olutuya, Martin Harvey – visiting Rotarian, Jim Coyle – visiting Rotarian

PROGRAM

Lynda Campbell introduced Bill Skinner as our speaker in a well planned, brief (by her standards), synopsis of Bill's accomplishments in Rotary. In his 12 years of Rotary Bill has numerous accomplishments most notably in the area of International Service.

Bill gave us a review of 3 active and proposed projects in Guatemala by RCCHP. All of these projects are in partnership with RC Los Altos Quetzaltenangro

Project 1 – Wash training in Primary Schools – Las Nubis II, Toj-Alic, Las Nubis I, San Martin Chiquito, San Martin School for Girls, This project involves wash training (water sanitation and hydro) in schools. Teaching teachers is the primary objective with some additional training planned for community leaders and parents later in the project. Utilizing this strategy ensures the knowledge can be passed down to the highest number of people. Although the project was shut down for more than a year due to Covid 19, it has resumed.

Project 2 – Town of La Esperanza Moises Augustin School – Providing a library cabinet stocked with donated books., RACHEL data service and computer, screen, projector, whiteboards, industrial printer, propane cooktop and security cabinet. Bill's visit in August coincided with the school appreciation data and we received a certificate and witnessed the unveiling of a painted mural on the school wall. One inscription on the wall reads 'The teaching that leaves its mark is not the one from head to head but from heart to heart.'

Project 3 - Proposed project to connect an existing water well and design a new delivery system in Canton of Quiacquix. During his visit in August Bill met with the mayor and council, 1 member of RC Los Altos, and about 20 more individuals. This Mayan indigenous community has approximately 400 homes and about 2000 inhabitants. The new system will provide about 90 gallons a minute to the community. There are several hurdles to overcome before this project gains any headway including firming up a number of costs. Stay tuned.

Linda Campbell thanked Bill for his presentation and all the work he has done and continues to do.

FRIDAYS 7 AM. GUNN'S DAIRY BARN, HERITAGE PARK, 1900 HERITAGE DRIVE SW, CALGARY



MOTIONS

Mark Rowe ISC moved that \$1,000 which is not longer required, previously allocated in 2020 to Full Soul for a global grant in Uganda, be reallocated to RC Puerto Vallarta Sur for the purchase of books and other hard copy reading material for the Volcanes School Library. Seconded by Joe Klassen, carried

Janet Blahun CSC moved that RCCHP contribute \$1,525 to Alcove for the purchase of cribs and playpens. Seconded by Peter Harding, Carried.

Steve Dunk YSC, moved that RCCHP fund two students to attend RAYEC (Rotary Alberta Youth Entrepreneurship Camp) August 2023 at a cost of up to \$1,500 per student.' Seconded by Jim Davis, Carried.

Lynda Campbell VSC moved that RCCHP approve the expenditure of \$1,500 as our support of the prizes for the 2023 Rotary Den. Seconded Jim Davis, Carried

MINUTES

SCAS – Still struggling to find place to hold our art sale for pricing Feb. March April. Need volunteers in several areas.

Wines of the World – Need everyone to bring in stubs so we can confirm how many tickets sold. There are still some tickets available. Let's all work together to sell this thing out.

Business network meeting – still space available. If space is not completely taken up by RCCHP, it will be opened up to other Rotary Clubs.

Save the Date Feb 17 – stay tuned.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Holly Drake.....Jan 6
Art Sumner.....Jan 12

ANNIVERSARY

Vanessa Freeze-Sumner & Joe (7yrs).....Jan 9

ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

Ted Wood 12 yrsJan 6

MINUTES

The Rotary Club of Okotoks is hosting a Robbie Burns Dinner and Dance on January 28, 2023. Tickets \$100. Contact Trish Henderson at (403) 585-5571, email rotarypjh56@gmail.com.

HAPPY BUCKS

Sheila Tyminski – Ukrainian family they have been hosting has found employment and will be moving out. A big thanks to everyone who has helped with furnishing their apartment. Many others were happy too.

SHERIFF

Mark Rowe stepped up as our sheriff and was in quite a belligerent mood. He felt it was time we got back to some strict enforcement

Pins and badges – if you didn't have both, pay a buck

Wines of the world – if you haven't yet bought tickets, pay a buck (Jim Davis suggested this be upped to \$100 which would come with 3 free tickets)

Janet Blahun – no Grace – pay a buck no proofreading of sunshine report – pay a buck no joke – pay a buck

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Brad ended the meeting with a thoughtful, enlightening piece about the meaning of Rotary.

DUTY ROSTER

JANUARY 13, 2023

GREETERSTAN CHRISTMAS
DOOR SALES.....GRAHAM DRAKE
GRACE & SUNSHINE.....STEVE DUNK
INTRODUCE & THANK......VANESS FREEZE-SUMNER
REPORTER.....JIM DAVIS

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please find your own replacement.**