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MEETING NOTES

The sun was actually starting to rise as we started our meeting this beautiful Friday morning. Surly Spring must be right around the corner, or is that just an early April Fools joke?

Our usual jolly group was gathered in the Gunn Barn and it was great to see Asha and Raju back in the fold. Peter Harding led us in O'Canada, President Brad conducted the Land Acknowledgement and Roger Sonntag provided the blessing.

Steve Dunk introduced our guests – guest speaker Michael Garnett and Rotary Peace Scholar candidate Jasmine Cha

PROGRAM

Michael set up Help From Canada, a registered charity, immediately after the Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022. Michael, a former NHL goalie, played hockey in the Russian Hockey League for 10 years and is fluent in Russian and very familiar with their culture. He grew up in Saskatchewan with a Ukrainian family background so was very disturbed with the invasion of Ukraine by Russia, a nation that he had enjoyed so much and had made so many friends in during his time there.

Having said that he knew he had to do something to help the Ukrainian people so immediately flew over there with this wife, Rebecca Rider. They spent their initial time volunteering there shuttling refugees from eastern Ukraine to safety in Poland, then supplying basic essentials to refugee families in Lviv, Ukraine, and eventually arranging air transportation of refugees to Canada. To date Help From Canada has aided over 280 Ukrainians get settled in Canada.

Help From Canada is 100% volunteer run with 100% of funds raised go to helping Ukrainian people and 100% of their administration costs being covered by their board of directors.

Michael's story was very interesting and moving and he showed they still have lots to do but need money to do it.

Please check out their website [HelpFromCanada.org](https://www.HelpFromCanada.org) to see how you can contribute. Brian Gentles introduced our guest speaker – Michael Garnett founder of Help From Canada

Brian Gentles thank Michael and presented him with our Polio Plus vaccination certificate as a thank you for his presentation.

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



MINUTES

Board Decisions from the March 27, 2023 Board Meeting that do not require member ratification:

Based on a request from Steve Leavitt, our District Governor, we drafted and adopted a Crisis Management Plan for our club. The intent is to be proactive by providing guidelines to follow in the event of a crisis. Some examples of where the plan could be used: any potential criminal activity connected with Rotary activities, Financial or legal wrongdoing, or a natural disaster that takes place during a Rotary activity.

A copy of the plan is saved in the documents section of ClubRunner under **Bylaws, Policies, Planning, etc.** President Brad suggests everyone review the plan so you know what to do when a crisis presents itself during Rotary activities.

The Board also approved the cancelation of the June 30, 2023 and July 7, 2023 meetings. June 30th because of its proximity to the July 1 long weekend and July 7th because it is Stampede Parade Day.

Second Chance Art Sale Eve provided and update on our art sale fund raiser this year and stressed that it is important to keep our foot on the accelerator on promoting the sale and getting the message out to the younger population who are our target market for purchasing the items we have collected.

Eve will be sending out online signs that we can use as links on our social media connections, online message boards and email messages to all our contacts.

The committee is also looking for help setting out signage around the city to promote our sale on April 21st and 22nd. Only a few weeks away!!

Ottawa Citizenship Program Brian Gentles advised we had 5 candidates for the Ottawa Adventure in Citizenship Program and have narrowed that down to 2 solid contenders. His committee is working with another club to see if both can go.

MOTIONS

There were three motions presented today by Steve Dunk

GW Skene School

On behalf of the Youth Services Committee, I move that RCCHP donate \$3,500 to GW Skene school for document cameras and library books.

Seconded by Brian Gentles - Passed

Calgary Bridge Foundation for Youth

On behalf of the Youth Services Committee, I move that RCCHP donate \$3,000 to The Calgary Bridge Foundation for Youth for their Youth Safety Initiative.

Seconded by Sheila Tyminski - Passed

Youth Singers of Calgary

On behalf of the Youth Services Committee, I move that RCCHP provide \$2,500 to the Youth Singers of Calgary' for rehearsal and performance equipment (chairs, tables, stands, stools).

Seconded by Brian Gentles - Passed

HAPPY BUCKS

Bill Skinner announce our most valuable piece of art donated so far which he thinks will sell for around \$5,000. **Sheila** updated us that her Ukrainian evacuee Lena and family have moved to a new home and are settling in. **Joe** a thanks that the Catholic Church has rejected the Doctrine of Discovery. **Doug MacDonald** thankful for 30 years in Rotary. **President Brad** for Doug's 30 years of service to Rotary and for Michael Garnett's presentation.

SHERIFF

Our Sheriff was a no show but John Radermacher took control and posed the simple question "Do you feel guilty?" It was surprising how many loonies poured into the sheriff's pot.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

DON MCARTHUR.....APRIL 6

ANNIVERSARY

MARK & JOAN ROWE(41 YRS)APRIL 10

ROTARY ANNIVERSARY

BILL SKINNER.....12 YEARS

DOUG MACDONALD.....30 YEARS

DUTY ROSTER

APRIL 14,2023 (NAHEED NENSHI)

GREETERFRAN HOCHHAUSEN

DOOR SALES.....PHIL HOCHHAUSEN

GRACE & SUNSHINE.....LORNE KELLY

INTRODUCE & THANK.....SURINDER KHANNA

REPORTER.....JIM DAVIS

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