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**PRESIDENT
GRAHAM DRAKE**

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MEETING NOTES

President Graham rung the bell at 7:01. But with a quick call to Peter Harding to lead us in an up tempo national anthem we were back on time. For our indigenous moment, Graham shared some key learnings from the Tsuu Tina museum tour on Oct. 24. With Johathan Crowchild as a guide, 23 club members and 2 guests attended the event. With the Indian Act of 1876, many of the traditional cultural activities were banned in day to day life of indigenous people for many years. However, Guy Weadick invited the nations to present these every year at the Calgary Stampede.

Guests at today's meeting included Wynne Bioran and Bob Cove.

CLUB ASSEMBLY

FOUNDATION BRAD WELLCOME

November is Foundation month. The Rotary Foundation is organized as a public charity that is operated exclusively for charitable purposes and is governed by a [Board of Trustees](#).

The Foundation supports humanitarian grants and programs including:

1. The PolioPlus Fund.
2. Rotary grants.
3. Rotary Peace Fellowships

There are four grant categories:

- a. District Grants;
- b) Global Grants;
- c) Programs of Scale grants;
- d) Disaster response grants

Since inception, our club members have contributed \$391,447 to the foundation, an average of just under \$16,000/year. By giving \$1,000 USD or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or an approved Foundation grant makes you a **Paul Harris Fellow**. We currently have 37 Paul Harris Fellows in our club. By giving a total of \$10,000 USD makes you a **Major Donor**. We currently have 6 Major Donors in our club.

Two Paul Harris presentations were made. Don McArthur received his Paul Harris (X6) award and Brad Wellicome received his Paul Harris (X8) award.

PUBLIC IMAGE – JAMIE POWELL

Jamie Powell presented work done on enhancing our public image and work that is being done. We then had a small workshop whereby each table provided answers/suggestions to the following 3 questions

- When you hear the term Public Image, what does this mean to you and the Club?
- How can we be more effective in our use of social media?
- What are some ideas we can look at to promote our club in the community?

Jamie will summarize the results and get back to the club in regards to a future direction for public image.

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



MINUTES

Jamie Powell updated the club on Wines of the World ticket sales. We have had a good start to the campaign with Jamie even providing hotshot delivery service in the wee hours of the morning to an ambitious sales person.

MOTIONS

Graham motioned to approve the expenditure of approximately \$600 to purchase 250 RCCHP logo'd pins, seconded by John R, carried. In the discussion, some questions arose surrounding the value of the pins to the club as well as their conformity. Further investigation will be carried out regarding conformity prior to ordering pins.

Don McArthur, as part of the financial presentation made a motion that we move \$50,000 of funds into a cashable GIC with Canadian Western Bank. Seconded by Bill Skinner, carried.

CLUB ASSEMBLY (CONTD)

FINANCIALS – DON MCARTHUR

Currently we are in a very strong cash position with approximately \$177,000 in the bank with approximately 120,000 committed through Areas of Service budgets. It is early in the rotary year and very little of the 120,000 has been spent yet. As such Don presented a motion to put \$50,000 into a cashable GIC.

HAPPY BUCKS

Happy bucks were fast and furious resulting in your fat fingered scribe being unable to keep up. Suffice it to say almost the entire group were happy this week.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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LYNDA CAMPBELL..... Nov 13
RICHARD BROADWITH Nov 15
DEBRA MCARTHUR Nov 17

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

MIKE MIKKELSON Nov 9

CLUB ASSEMBLY (CONTD)

MEETING AND BOARD CHANGES – GRAHAM DRAKE

There have been several changes to our meetings and board operations this year. The goal of these changes has been to:

- Make our club more friendly and inviting. More friends more fun. Make it easier to be a leader / board member. Make the role of president less time consuming and onerous (meetings)

Changes to the board include less board members, less meetings (6 scheduled for this year)

Changes to the meetings include organized seating (mix things up), more time for breakfast and socializing, more time for guest speaker, less duties to be filled, and continuing with the theme of a rotating chair for the meetings. Feedback has overall been positive with 8 different meeting chairs including our president, a simpler system for the chair with no power point to prepare and less items. Overall the club likes the assigned seating and additional time for socializing and guest presentation. There is mixed reviews on the loss of the sheriff and sunshine report, but Club Services will continue to look for something new, including looking for dynamic guest speakers that could attract more visitors. Stay tuned for further updates. The goal is a friendlier more welcoming breakfast.

Today's meeting was a Club Assembly with presentations on the Rotary Foundation, Public Image, Financials and an update on changes to meetings and board this year. so stay tuned for some exciting future meetings. Areas of service will each have their own meeting to chair throughout the year so stay tuned for some exciting future meetings.

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GREETERRAJU PAUL
DOOR SALES.....MARK ROWE
INTRODUCE & THANK.....PETER LEIGH
REPORTER.....PETER HARDING

**If you are unable to fulfil your duties
please find your own replacement.**