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President Lynda Campbell

Reporter Linda Craig

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MEETING NOTES

Jim Davis's warm greeting was welcomed by all those entering the Gunn Dairy Barn on this September, chilly, Fall morning. President Lynda's equally enthusiastic ringing of the bell at 7 pm was followed by Stan Christmas leading us in a warming round of O Canada.

President Lynda acknowledged the land we live, work and play on, making special mentions of last week's speaker, Elder Grandmother Doreen Spence, and September 30 - Truth and Reconciliation Day also known as Orange Shirt Day.

The Rotary Grace was given in honour of Raju Paul, one of our Club's founding members. Those who knew Raju were asked to share stories about him, during breakfast, with the newer members who did not have the privilege of knowing him.

Michelle Colley, David Rough, and guest speaker Moji Taiwo were welcomed and asked to lead the way to the hearty breakfast buffet. Jamie Powell did a grand job of making those plates shine!

MOTIONS

Motion: Vocational Services, passed at September 15th board meeting.

Jim Sawers presented the following motion, seconded by Sheila Tyminski- RCCHP donate \$1,000 to support the Rotary Challenger Park Golf Tournament. Carried.

Motion: Community Services, passed at September 15th board meeting.

John Radermacher presented the following motion, seconded by Jim Davis - Community Services moves that we donate \$2,000 to Ronald McDonald House to go towards meal costs. Carried.

John brought to the Club's attention that \$500 was approved by the board on September 15th for YYC Helps, a useful tool to help identify new opportunities for donations. The \$500 covers our share of the annual administrative costs. Though the amount of \$500 does not require club approval, the board wants to ensure membership is informed.

MINUTES

Jim Sawers talked about the Bow Valley College Mentoring Program noting that five more mentors, in particular some female mentors, are needed. Please talk to Jim.

Lynda advised that on September 18, 2025 we received approval for the District Block Grant, which means we may now make spending commitments and execute projects funded by this grant.

Brian Gentles promoted Millenium Rotary Club's opportunity for a possible date night to participate in an upcoming screening of a movie on Saturday, October 11. Proceeds will be directed to the Veterans' Food Bank. Please talk to Brian.

Sheila asked us to come out and walk on Orange Shirt Day - Tuesday, September 30, 10:45 am. Meet at the Peace Bridge (Eau Claire side)

Lynda reminded us about the Historical Walk led by Stan on Saturday, September 27. Meet at Old City Hall at 10 am.

PROGRAM

Olajide Olutuyi was called upon to introduce and thank the guest speaker, Moji Taiwo who spoke passionately about "The Power of Positivity". Moji was one of the founding members of the Nigerian Association and for many years its only female president. He praised her courage to leave Nigeria to start a new life in Canada. He noted her creativity, and her service to community. After 31 years of distinguished service as Deputy Director of Operations, Alberta Correctional Services, Moji retired. Not being one to rest, she went on to write a memoir as well as a series of children's books. Most recently, she co-founded TMT Learning Foundation, an organization dedicated to youth leadership and development.

Moji wove her powerful theme of positivity into the purpose of TMT Learning Foundation—to empower the next generation by addressing three critical areas in youth development: mental wellness, career exploration and life skills development.

Through programs offered at TMT Learning Foundation, youths build resilience, learn about leadership and teamwork, prepare of a successful and fulfilling future, and contribute to society.

HAPPY BUCKS

There were many happy and sad bucks today.

Ted Wood for his daughter who is now in vet school.

Doug in honour of Raju. He was happy to play his first golf game, this season, with Steve.

Judy in honour of Raju. She was happy that the Interact Club, at St. Francis High School, is in good hands.

Ola in honour of Raju. He thanked Moji for her presentation.

Roger for the gap that is closing between the NY Yankees and the Toronto Blue Jays. Go Yankees.

CLOSING REMARKS

President Lynda closed the meeting with a powerful Truth and Reconciliation Prayer, and the thought "When we know better, we all have the opportunity to do better."

DUTY ROSTER

Reporter -Ev Robertson

Greeter - TBA

Door Sales - TBA

Introduce/Thank Speaker-TBA

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Paul, Asha Oct 03

Hochhausen, Phil Oct 04

Rotary Anniversaries

Oct 01 Blahun, Janet 7 years

Oct 01 Campbell, Lynda 19 years

Oct 1 Olutuyi, Olajide 7 years

Oct 3 Vavrek, Tracey 19 years

Oct 5 Dyck, Randall 1 year