



WestShore Rotary Sunrise February 23, 2017

Attending: Bonnie Keleher, Allan Pederson, Alex Martin, Lorne Olson, Dave Proudfoot, Lew Pilkington, Hugh Robertson, Jim ten Hove, Doris London, Russ Lazaruk, Maureen Hobbs, Mike Wedekind

Guest: Lorna Curtis

President: Lew Pilkington
O Canada
Prayer

Reports / Updates

Change of Location - Hugh Robertson

Hugh will meet with representatives at the Seniors Centre to verify the conditions of the use of the facility. Tentatively plan to move our location to the Seniors Centre the first meeting in April (Apr. 6).

RYLA – Jim tenHove has arranged to carpool with the Sooke Rotary. Jim will be driving to RYLA on March 16 and the two clubs will share the expenses for transportation. Our club needs to pay the \$325 US immediately to register Alex Fraser. Jim will send the information to Bonnie to make the payment.

Strategic Planning Meeting – The meeting has been confirmed for Sunday, March 5th at Jim tenHove's house.

Haiti Update – The orphanage has decided on purchasing the equipment to create a bakery which would provide for the Divine Hands Orphanage as well as surplus would be sold to raise funds. Bob Beckett requires \$3925 immediately in order to get this underway.

Motion: To provide \$3925 from the Foundation funds to Bob Beckett to move ahead with the project. Motion seconded and carried by membership.

Rotary Golf Tournament – Looking for volunteers. The funds will go towards the Food Rescue program.

Request for Assistance with School Rugby program

John Lyall has put in a request for Rotary members to assist with the school rugby tournaments being held in March and April. After discussion, members agreed that as our club helped to initiate the SD 62 school rugby program and because the tournament bears the Westshore Sunrise Rotary name, we would continue to focus on supporting this program over other sport programs in the Westshore. Our club has sufficient funds in our account to provide financial assistance.

Motion: To donate \$1000 to the SD 62 School Rugby program and tournaments. Seconded. Motion carried.

Bonnie has contacted John Lyall that our club will donate \$1000, and John will come to the next Thursday morning meeting to receive the cheque.

Update on Gaming Funds

Our club has received \$14000 in Gaming Funds as of Feb. 17, 2017. Some of these funds can be

distributed immediately to the groups proposed in the application – Moms and Mentors, DARE, Goldstream Food bank, Pacific Family Services, etc. School Scholarships will be distributed in May and June. Jim ten Hove has informed the schools that the applicants for bursaries should focus on the theme of “Service above Self” and what that means.

The refugee family that the Westshore Refugee Society is supporting is currently in the final stages of the application process and they hope that the family will be in Victoria by the fall. Our club has set aside \$1000 of the gaming funds to go directly to helping the family adjust to their life once they do arrive in Victoria.

Update on the Food Rescue Distribution Centre Program

Lorna Curtis emailed out a notice to members about the upcoming grand opening of the Food Rescue Distribution Centre for **Thursday March 16 at 808 Viewfield Road, Esquimalt**, from 10:00 am to noon. This gives Rotarians an opportunity to see the warehouse and freezers and learn about what the program is doing and what is planned for the future. All are welcome!

Sergeant of Arms - (Jim tenHove)

Superdraw: Maureen Hobbs

Paul Harris: Hugh Robertson

Meeting adjourned.