

ROTARY CLUB OF SUMNER BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 12, 2017

President	Jerry Thorson	called the meeting to order at	7:30 a.m.	at the Buttered Biscuit in Sumner, WA.
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In attendance were the following board members:

x	Jerry Thorson, President	X	Mike Cathey, Director
x	Brad Moericke, President-Elect	X	Errol Medel, Director
x	Lana Hoover, Past-President	X	Pam Osborne, Director
X	Barbara Bitetto, Secretary	X	Scott Robbert, Director
x	Jeannie Johnson, Treasurer		
Guests:	Carmen Blankenship, Debbie Garrison, Charla Neumann, New Project Committee		

Secretary Report:

The minutes were reviewed. Corrections were made - Jerry Vandenberg not Gerry; Ben DeGoede not Ben Kodama. Errol made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Lana. The motion passed. Bernie Hardtke made a request for a 6 months leave due to work, Jeannie made a motion to give him a leave, Lana seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Carmen reported the new rosters will be at the July 18 meeting. In the last month Liz Haworth and Richard Artura resigned from the club.

Rule of 85 exemptions – A number of members qualify under the Rule of 85 which means your age plus the number of years in Rotary equals 85. Carmen Blankenship requested to be put under that designation. Scott made a motion to give Carmen the exemption, Lana seconded the motion. The motion passed. Others that qualify are Steve Starr, Brent Nalder, and Jim Clifford. (Barbara emailed Jim and Steve. On July 14, 2017, Steve requested the exemption. She will talk to Brent Nalder to see if he wants the exemption.)

John Galle asked about the possibility of the City of Sumner changing to a corporate member. We need to give him a Corporate application, and he needs to give the name of the main contact plus 2 honorary members.

Treasurer Report:

Jeannie gave a verbal Treasurer's report since she hasn't received a written report due to the end of the year.

Old Business:

Charla Neumann from the New Project committee updated the board with the progress they are making this summer. It has helped that the board has shown commitment to the project which helps as they move forward. Recently they have met with various groups to help solidify the plan for the project particularly the Sumner School District. Shari Campbell who helps non profits has helped them with clarifying their message along with Darcy Celletti from the Y. Mayor Dave Enslow sent a letter from the City expressing some concerns they have about the plan. Pres. Jerry Thorson replied not all the decisions have been made about the project. Mike Cathey expressed concerns about the homeless after hearing about Puyallup's challenges. They are not the main clients planned for the multi-service center. The board asked about when Rotary wouldn't be the lead – most likely in the next 6 months after more partnerships are set. We will help set up the center but will

not be the ones to operate it. Charla will be updating the board regularly.

New Business:

Pres. Jerry presented a proposed budget but due to the limited time remaining in the meeting, it was table until the August meeting. Pres. Jerry received three requests – one from the Food Bank for a fork lift; Marilee Hill-Anderson requested money for the back to school Resource Fair on August 21; Steve Starr requested funds for the Boys Town in Thailand. It was felt the Food Bank request was a major request that wouldn't fit in the budget; last month we sent \$1000 to the Boys Town in Thailand, it was decided we wanted to have a report on how that money was used before making it an ongoing yearly donation. After board discussion about the Back to School request, Barbara made a motion to donate \$1000 to support the resource fair, Jeannie Johnson seconded the motion, the motion passed.

President Report:

No report

Director's Reports:

Mike Cathey:

No report

Errol Medel:

No report

Pam Osborne:

No report

Scott Robbert:

No report

Upcoming Events:

July 13 – Area 12 Mandatory Fun Night

July 16 – Gilligans Island Progressive Dinner, GNO

The next board meeting will be held on	August 9, 2017	at the Buttered Biscuit in Sumner, WA.
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The meeting was adjourned at	9:02 a.m.
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Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Bitetto,
Secretary 2017-18