



# ROTARY CLUB OF SUMNER BOARD MEETING MINUTES May 10, 2017

*President Lana Hoover called the meeting to order at 7:30 am at the Buttered Biscuit in Sumner, WA.*

## **Secretary Report:**

1. Minutes of the April 12, 2017 meeting were distributed, as written by Barbara Bitetto, assistant secretary. Bill made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments (re: earnings for Camron Cozzi through the Angel Wings Foundation), Sam seconded, and all approved.

2. We have received an application for membership by Raechelle Turner, who is the executive director of the Cornerstone Hope Foundation, and being sponsored by Jerry Vandenberg. Sam made a motion to accept the application, Errol seconded, and all approved.

3. We have received an application for membership from David Prestin, who is the owner/founder of Prestin Group LLC, and being sponsored by Sam Suznevich. Errol made a motion to accept the application, Mike seconded, and all approved.

4. Carmen lead a discussion about Pam Borg-Jensen, that she has moved away, and that her continued membership in our Club is very important to her, and in honor of her father's memory. Carmen made a motion to make her an honorary member, Sam seconded, and all approved.

5. Carmen lead a discussion about Richard Artura's continued lack of attendance. It was decided that the membership committee will contact him to find out his level of commitment and plans for the upcoming year.

6. Carmen lead a discussion that Lila Day's leave of absence was exhausted on January 1, 2017. She has not made contact with our Club as yet. It was decided that the membership committee will contact her to find out if she is back in the area.

7. Carmen lead a discussion about whether Lysne Nolte still has interest in our Club. It was originally the plan that she would participate on the Community Service Partners committee in order to accumulate make-up hours, but it is not known if this has occurred. It was decided that the membership committee will contact her to follow up.

5. Carmen lead a discussion that RI has increased the dues for the "every Rotarian every year" program for fundraising for the Rotary Foundation. Carmen made a motion that Corporate dues be increased to \$330 and individual dues be increased to \$200.

6. The Board discussed that meals will stay at the same price. Coffee price/cover charge will go from \$3 to \$5.

## **Treasurer Report:**

1. Barbara Bitetto was present as acting treasurer today: she distributed the balance sheet as prepared by Terry Senn. As of April 30, we have \$400,515.58 total

current assets. Mike made a motion to accept the P&L statement, Bill seconded, and all approved. Barb will look into AIZY to see what that stands for.

## **New Business:**

1. Bill made a motion to cancel the July 4 meeting, Mike seconded, and all approved.

2. Lana, in looking at the upcoming agendas, decided that induction of officers will be the last Tuesday in June, the 27th.

3. Helen Hemphill-Wilson wanted to know if we can tie in her original date of when she got into Rotary way back when. I told her that she could as long as she could provide me that date.

## **President Report:**

1. Lana talked to Jerry, just to make it clear for next year, that only the students receiving the "service above self" awards are provided lunch. The parents of those students must pay for themselves.

2. In regards to the Courage Ride and rest stops, Pres Lana spoke to Eric Lansford to present the updated plan to the membership, along with Brent Nalder and Barb Skinner. We have been assigned 1 rest stop only but there are options of locations.

## **Barb Bitetto report:**

1. She was at Honor's Night and wanted to say that it was very much appreciated that both high schools were honored. The students spoke to the families to express their appreciation and support.

2. June 10 – the friendship exchange group from Thailand will be here on that date from 8-9:30 PM at Kersey Mobility for a presentation. Bring a desert if you plan to attend, or you can send one if you don't plan to attend.

3. Barbara shared a letter requesting money be donated to Gateway Rotary foundation in honor of Rose Bowman PDG, who recently passed away from cancer. Sam made a motion to give \$250, Bill seconded, and all approved.

4. Attending the DLTA was encouraged, and it's in Tacoma next year on May 4-5, 2017, so location is not an issue.

## **Director's Reports:**

### **Mike Cathey:**

1. Wanted to know about Relay For Life and asked if our Club would be interested. Some of us educated that We used to have a team, and that the Sumner location was headed by Pam Borg-Jensen, but that our Club hasn't had a team for quite some time. We encouraged him to ask the Club members.

2. Mike is making a correction to the last Board min-



## ~guest speakers

### **June 6 -- Steve Shullen**

Steve Shullen. To give a school district construction update. He is the Executive Director of Support Services. He graduated from WSU.

Steve gave an overview of the school structure needs. 1. BLHS: installing a staircase for access to the Commons. Rebuild interior of the 4 lecture hall classrooms. Building a performing arts center. Stadium seating cover. 2. Emerald Hills. 2 stories; 3. Building led a new elementary school: New Tehaleh. 4. Early Learning Center to be built at the Sumner Middle School. 5. Sumner High School. Plans to rebuild portions, reconfigure classrooms and enlarge the commons area. This would include building out more of the second floor. There are also plans to build a portion as a third floor. 5. Lakeridge and Mt. View. Expand and improve these schools. This would include field upgrades.



One question: what is the future with the pool? It's eventually going away. It probably will be open through the 2018-19 school year. But, working on a plan in Bonney Lake to build a pool.

### **June 13 — YMCA, President, Charlie Davis**

Mr. Davis reflects on his past. 1990 - Rotary Lakewood. One of the members talked about the need for a place for families to get together.



We're asking you what you want the Gordon YMCA to be. It will be 3 years this September when the Y opened. He reported that the feedback is a central hub. The Y offers showers to the homeless.

Mr. Davis brought up the "Live Strong" program. It's a partnership with another organization that helps families fight cancer. "People find life and hope at the YMCA."

Teens are our other focus. Teen Night at the Y on Friday nights. The local Youth Director told Mr. Davis a story about how the teens just seem to accept each other for who they are.

He said there are 21,000 members of this Gordon YMCA. The employees total is around 400 during the summer.

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utes, the repairs to the Scout Hall are not all done.

#### Errol Medel:

No report.

#### Sam Suznevich:

1. Wants to know a way to acknowledge the new members: have them stand up at the meetings, and to thank the existing members. Pres Lana said that she will do so verbally at each meeting.

2. The next membership meeting is on June 6, right after Rotary. Steve, Barb, Brad, Bill, and Scott should be in attendance.

#### Scott Robbert:

Not present.

### **Upcoming Events:**

1. June 13, at the YMCA, Charlie Davis will be there, CEO of YMCA of Pierce and Kitsap Counties, to celebrate our last payment to the YMCA. Andrea said she will provide lunch. There will be a pot for donations.

The next board meeting will be held on June 14, 2017 at the Buttered Biscuit in Sumner, WA. The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carmen Blankenship,  
Secretary 2016-2017

~happy bucks

\$ Mike. For being the tree farmer for the state of Minnesota.

\$ Barbara R. For her parents 63rd wedding anniversary.

\$ Jim C. Happy for the Sumner School districts students going to college.

\$ Bill P. Fishing trip with son in Alaska.

\$ Sumner School District for the 5 of 8 elementary schools achieving recognition awards.



Notes Section

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