Rotary Club of The Pas Meeting of Tuesday, July 18, 2023, 12:00 pm Wescana Inn Rendezvous Room Minutes

President: Jim Scott (Acting for Don McKay)

President Elect:

Secretary: Monica Cook

Sargent At Arms: Ken Kelly

Call To Order:

1. Guests: None

2. Visiting Rotarians: None

3. Make-Ups: None

4. Birthdays and Anniversaries: None

5. Correspondence:

a. Jim shared a letter from the Rotary exchange student Aria Ortega who says that she is very excited for the experience of coming to The Pas and seeing another part of the world. She also shared that she is nervous for this experience as she has not travelled much outside of her own country (Mexico), but is looking forward to being here and hopes to learn English and French as well as to learn more about Canada.

6. Committee Reports:

a. Catch The Big One: Catch the Big One (CTBO) will begin again on the Labour Day Weekend (September 2023).

Blair noted that the Roadrunner Swim Club is seeking additional monetary resources, and may be willing to assist with ticket sales for CTBO. There can also be further discussion related to on-line sales for CTBO tickets.

Peter will book The Grub Box for tickets sales for Thursday/Friday/ Saturdays once the sales begin again in September. This can be changed as needed once the CTBO draw is on again.

7. New Business

- a. Summer/Fall BBQ and District Governor Visit. We are still awaiting final confirmation of a date when the District Governor will be in The Pas. Don McKay will keep the Club posted on any updates as they become available.
- **b. Canada Day.** Canada Day will be left on the agenda for a more thorough discussion and planning for next year (and future years). Further discussion will take place about The Rotary Club of The Pas taking the lead on this project, with a shared responsibility with other local service clubs as well.
- c. Memorial plaques for community benches. Next week, Tuesday, July 25, 2023 is the confirmed date for our guests (family of those whose names will be on the plaques) to attend our meeting, with the plaque dedications to take place after the meeting. Members are asked to remind other members to attend the July 25 if at all possible, and to wear their jerseys.

Rick Hubbs will put together notes for each Rotary member being recognized with the plaque dedication next week.

d. Fundraising.

Catch the Big One (CTBO) will begin again the September long weekend.

Any ideas for fundraising can be brought forth at future meetings. Ideas mentioned to date include:

- "Rubber duckies"
- "Vehicle on Ice" lottery guess as to what date the vehicle will disappear
- Perogy making/sales
- e. Rotary Club of The Pas Banners. Tim will develop and provide the preliminary mock-ups to the Club for review once he receives photos from Crystal. We will leave this on the agenda until the project is complete.

f. Clearwater Lake Marathon. Michael reported there are now about 100 registrants, and it is likely there will be additional participants by the time the marathon occurs on Sunday (July 23). The tents will be set up Friday evening (7 PM), so anyone who is available to assist is asked to be at the airport hall. The water stations are all ready to go along with all other helpers for that day – there will be bug spray at all of the stations and there will also be a paramedic available (along with defibrillators). Anyone who wishes to assist can be at the hall for 8 AM on Sunday, July 23 – there may be additional assistance needed on Saturday. All of the t-shirts have been ordered (re-ordered after an error was made on the first shipment) and expected to arrive on time for the marathon. The breakfast starts at 9:30 AM Saturday and all are welcome.

Blair advised that some members will be going right after this meeting to the arena to load tables and chairs and then to the C-Can to load the tents needed for this weekend. Gary noted that if members are at the arena at 1 PM, perhaps the Wellness employees will assist as well. Anyone available to assist will be welcome!

- **g. Rotary Radio Spots.** Jim advised that the Wednesday morning radio spots will be managed by Don Dunnigan, Peter Totte and Kent Whaley after Jim's departure. The spots are at 9:05 AM and Rotary information and activities can be shared during these radio spots.
- h. Rotary Meeting Chair. Jim can chair the meeting next week (July 25), and that will be his last meeting as chair. Kent Whaley may chair the following meetings until Don McKay has returned.

Unfinished Business:

- a. **Proposal for Membership:** Debbie Lane had previously been noted as a potential member for the Club. Rick Hubbs had previously read Jace Lloyd's name for the second time, and Jace will most likely join in the fall.
- b. **Club 100**th **Anniversary.** Permanent Agenda Item no specific discussion at this meeting.

Sargent At Arms Next Week: Blair Patience (Blair is away next week so another member will need to act as Sargent at Arms).

Next Meeting: Wescana Inn Rendezvous Room, 12 pm on July 25, 2023.

Next Executive Meeting: TBD

Four-Way Test