

ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKFORT, MICHIGAN

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, August 10, 2022, 10:30am

PRESENT: Bill Collin, John Grix, Mitch Jaworski, Stacy Pasche, Jay Peregrine, Judy Remmert, Pat Storrer (remote), Steve Walton. Guests: Jim Ryan, Julie Schumaker

ABSENT: Tim Foster, Amy Plumstead

The meeting was called to order at the Hotel Frankfort at 10:35 a.m. by Judy Remmert.

Approval of Agenda:

Approval of Minutes

Secretary's Report: Stacy Pasche reported 56 total members (3 Honorary/53 Active). We are seeing on average 20 to 25 people in attendance per meeting. We are not required to track attendance, but it is a helpful statistic.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

President's Report: Judy provided information on the District Local Grant which for this year will go to BACN's educational fund with the intention of offsetting tuition costs after financial aid is received. This is an annual joint grant with the Sunrise Club with the goal to raise \$15,000.. Benzie Sunrise will write the grant this year.

The social hour price was adjusted from \$250 to \$200. This includes \$150 for food and tip and \$50 for the bartender (total \$200).

Judy confirmed that Benzie Sunrise will not be participating in our winter warmth drive.

Treasurer's Report: Mitch Jaworski

All bills are currently paid and the club has \$4000 in cash. Our taxes have been filed.

We have 2 delinquent members and the amount owed is substantial. Discussion was held as to whether or not to terminate their membership. Steve and Mitch will draft a letter to formalize notice of termination that delinquent members will receive. This letter will serve as a final notice. If their membership is to be terminated, we need to get those members off the role prior to the January invoice. It should be noted the consensus of the board was that the club will assist any member who is struggling to pay their dues and wants to be active.

Administrator's Report: Bill provided an update on replacing our name tags. There was a brief discussion about creating a better way to store the name tags. Jay and Stacy will look into name tag replacements. The club can use the library's laminator as long as the club covers the cost of materials.

Membership Report: Steve Walton said Mike Cederholm's induction has not been scheduled but hopes to have it as soon as the next week. He needs to confirm that both Mike and his sponsor Mary Ann Short can both attend.

Publicity Report: Jay mentioned we have new member packets and asked if we need to order more swag. Bill said we have some members that have not been in attendance lately and feels we should be reaching out to those members.

Pat is working on a final report for the Garden Theater grant that will double as a press release. The final cost of the doors was \$33,941. Based on an original quoted and budgeted \$20,000 cost, the contractor and Friends of the Garden Theater (FGT) agreed to split the difference leaving the final cost to FGT at \$26,970. Since this amount exceeds the Rotary District and two Club's \$15,000 project contribution (being \$4,000 each from Sunrise and Frankfort plus \$7,000 District Match), there is no financial impact to the two Clubs or to District from the significantly higher final cost of the Replacement Doors.

There used to be a Rotary Wheel in the Graceland Fruit landscaping on M22/M-115. The board wondered if we should investigate whether we should look into getting more "wheels around town."

NEW BUSINESS:

Grants Committee: Pat proposed we host the 10th Annual Winter Warmth Drive for BACN, with collection dates 11/30/22 through close of business 12/7/2022. Motion by Collin, seconded by Grix. Motion passed, unanimous. Pat will confirm details with BACN and determine drop-off points for donated items.

Pat requested approval to apply to the GTRCF for \$3,000 for the purpose of Scholarships. This is a matching grant. GTRCF accepts our completed list of scholarship awards as evidence of our side of the match. With approval, Pat will submit the applications by the 11/15/2022 deadline. The GTRCF \$3000 club grant. Motion by Peregrine to approve, Second by Jaworski. Motion passed, unanimous.

Pat reported on eligibility requirements for district local grants. Status as of 8/10/2022:

- Completed: met \$100 per-capita requirement has been with our members' \$118 per-capita donation to The Rotary Annual Fund.
- In Progress: District and RI dues must be current: status, in progress.
- In Progress: Report form for 2021/22 District Grant must be complete. Interim Report is acceptable.
- In Progress: District are updating Grant Application Form and Memorandum of Understanding Form: forms are not yet available.

Al Luedtke encouraged the membership to donate to the golf outing and to use matching funds if possible. Pat will send a reminder to the club.

Ironman Fundraiser: As a fundraiser, Julie Schumacher would like to sell sandwiches at the Ironman on September 11, 2022. Sandwiches will be purchased from L'Chaim Deli and Conundrum Cafe at a discounted price. Payment for the sandwiches was discussed. Julie will see if the vendors would be willing to hold payment until after the event. Otherwise, roughly \$2100 is needed for up front costs (300 sandwiches at \$6 each). Julie will work with Mitch and Jim Ryan (Willoughby grants committee chair) on the financial details. Motion by Mitch Jaworski to approve up to \$5000 for this project. Second by John Grix. Motion carried, 1 opposed.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Motion: Grix/Jaworski

Next meeting: Wed, September 14, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at the Hotel Frankfort.

-meeting rescheduled for Wed, Sept 21, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.

Submitted by: Stacy L. Pasche