

ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKFORT, MICHIGAN

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, December 14, 2022, 10:30am

PRESENT: Bill Collin, Stacy Pasche (remote), Jay Peregrine, Judy Remmert, Pat Storrer (remote), Tim Foster, Steve Walton, John Grix (remote)

ABSENT: Amy Plumstead, Mitch Jaworski GUESTS: None

The meeting was called to order at the Hotel Frankfort at 10:40 a.m. by Judy Remmert.

Approval of Agenda:

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bill Collin/Tim Foster to approve the minutes for November 9, 2022 as written. Motion carried, unanimous.

Secretary's Report- Stacy Pasche: Membership report generated by ClubRunner. Attached. Pat provided clarification on the timing of adding new members. Stacy will defer adding new members to the roster until after the first of the year and will be sure to make any roster deletions no later than Dec. 20th. There are 2 member applications pending.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

President's Report: Judy presented the 2023-2024 Slate of Officers approved by members on Dec 7, 2022. We are still in need of a 2025/2026 president nominee. District would like to see this filled by February 2023.

Prior to COVID, it was easier to pass note cards/gifts for ill, etc. around. This practice has mellowed since COVID. It was suggested we provide time at each meeting to recognize those who may need some special thoughts or encouragement. Judy will purchase some bulk cards to have at the ready for members to sign when needed.

The board confirmed the Club will meet July 5, 2023. Confirmation was needed so that Jon Armstrong could schedule the speaker.

Treasurer's Report: Judy reported in Mitch's absence. There were no financial reports due to Mitch's absence. One of the delinquent members did pay their dues and participated in the most recent meeting by proxy. Bill will follow up with this member to confirm they want to remain in the club. The other delinquent member will be terminated for "lack of participation."

Administrator's Report: Bill stated that attendance is high among our new members, which is encouraging. He recommended that we provide refreshers for board and committee members on what the duties for certain roles/committees memberships are. Jay suggested Club Runner can assist with that.

Publicity: Jay said that we have an ad at the Garden Theater for 6 months (\$100/mo.) There is a chance we will get some reimbursement for these ads from the District Publicity Grant.

The District offers a Marketing Consultant, Terry Miller. Jay had Terry provide an assessment of our website and facebook page. The overall report was that the website and FB pages look great; however, there is some inconsistency with the logo. Jay will remedy this.

The Rotary sign at M22/M115 that needs to be updated may be a bit more of a project than initially thought. There are several other organizations on the Welcome to Frankfort sign that need to be considered. Jay

suggested we mention the needed update to the Downtown Development Authority. There are two welcome signs, one on the north side and the other on the south side. It seems reasonable to update both at the same time.

Recognition of Garden Theater doors – press release has not been published yet, says Pat.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grants: Storrer

2022 Club Grant – submitted and approved

2022 District Local Grant w/ Sunrise Club (BACN sidewalk boiler) – status approved. We will be asked to pay our share (\$4,000) in January.

The Benzie Sunrise Club would like to partner with us for their education fund program (with BACN). This program provides supplemental income for those seeking continuing education. This program was rejected by the district because there is no specific end date. Bill will call Val Gerhart to get more information. No action taken at this time.

Youth Services: Remmert for Julie Schumacher

Julie Schumacher prepared a budget for youth services for 2023 totalling \$3,550. Since Mitch was gone (no budget), there was no action taken.

Julie suggested the club give the local Interact Club \$100 in honor of Interact's 60th anniversary. Pat clarified that if we give money, it needs to be for a specific cause/need. Bill Collin moved to provide the Interact Club \$100 in support of their solar efforts. Second by Pat. Motion passed, unanimous. The Interact Club will present at the January 11th club assembly.

Centennial Celebration: Foster

Tabled

Old Business:

10th Annual Winter Warmth Drive BACN – publicity connection Kelly Ottinger (231-882-9544; kottinger@benziebacn.org). In addition to the large donation of coats, we collected \$110 in cash from our club and the Benzie Sunrise club.

New Business: *Tabled*

By-Law Review – who, what, when

Equity/Diversity – opening Christian prayer – should this be expanded to general 'devotional' instead?

Meeting Adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Motion: Bill Collin/Jay Peregrine

Next meeting: Wed, January 11, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at the Hotel Frankfort.

Submitted by: Stacy L. Pasche