

ROTARY CLUB OF FRANKFORT, MICHIGAN

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING: WEDNESDAY, July 12, 2023 @ 10:15am

PRESENT: Dale Charters, Bill Collin, Stacy Pasche, Jay Peregrine, Judy Remmert, Pat Storrer (remote)

ABSENT: Amy Plumstead, Tim Foster, Mitch Jaworski, Steve Walton GUESTS: none

The meeting was called to order at the Hotel Frankfort at 10:26 a.m. by Bill.

Approval of Agenda: Dale wondered if we need to add discussion of the RI Foundation as a separate agenda item. It is currently part of the grants report. Motion by Charters/Remmert to approve the agenda as is.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Peregrine/Remmert to approve the June 2023 minutes with the following correction: on page 2, under Treasurer's Report, top line, commencing "Update." Change to "Update: The reissued StormCloud check was received and deposited. Pat will work with Mitch to report and pay our 2022 Pints for Polio fundraiser proceeds to Rotary International (\$582 from StormCloud plus \$500 match from Frankfort Rotary Club)."

Secretary's Report: As of 7/11, 63 total members. 59 Active and 4 Honorary. Stacy mentioned that the ClubRunner dashboard will show totals as of the last day of the previous month, so the dashboard is not always current.

A member has requested a pdf of the membership with phone numbers. All members have access to ClubRunner; however, it is understandable that members would like a quick reference. There are security and privacy concerns sharing lists of contact information. Bill will bring this up when he offers a tutorial on ClubRunner at a near future assembly. It should be noted that not all members have their phone number listed in clubrunner.

Treasurer's Report: *None*

BUSINESS ITEMS:

President's Report: Bill would like to identify the role of each board member and the capacity in which they serve. Pat confirmed there is not a limit on the number of board members we can have, but advised that the more members we have, the more are required to make a quorum. Board members for 2023-2024 year are:

President: Bill Collin

President Elect: Tim Foster

President Nominee: Dale Charters

IPP: Judy Remmert

Treasurer: Mitch Jaworski

Club Admin: Paul Schwartz

Secretary: Stacy Pasche

Sergeant-at-Arms: Tim Foster

Public Relations: Jay Peregrine

Grants Management: Pat Storrer

Foundation Chair: Pat Storrer

Membership Chair: Steve Walton

Life Leadership Chair: Judy Shumaker

Youth Services Chair: Judy Shumaker

Youth Exchange Officer: Stacy Pasche (RYE program temporarily suspended)

At Large: Amy Plumstead (need to confirm)

Bill received the invoice for RI dues (due October 15, 2023). Pat & Judy confirmed that only the president receives that invoice and that Bill should forward it to both the treasurer and the secretary as soon as possible.

Club Priorities Discussion: Benzie Sunrise and BACN are moving forward with an income supplement program for those pursuing post secondary education. They would like us to commit to providing seed money for this program. At this time, we would rather pursue something that would impact a larger number of people. The scope of the project seems better aligned with the GTRCF, not Rotary. In the past, the Sunrise Club and Frankfort club would take turns taking the lead on a partner project. This would be our year to lead on a project. We still feel adding drinking fountains to the Betsie Valley trail is a worthwhile project with a broad impact. Bill suggested we could make it a 3 year project by installing a fountain in Frankfort this year, another in Beulah the following year, and another in Thompsonville the next. Partnerships with the Friends of the Betsie Valley Trail and the Thompsonville Restoration Project may be possible.

Pat suggested another possible grant would be the Northwest Food Coalition, who works with over 70 food pantries in the area. We have worked with them in the past. She mentioned that each Rotary club can only initiate 1 grant, but there is no limit on collaborating with other clubs for multiple projects. Depending on how we proceed with our partnership, we could do both projects.

Bill thanked Judy for all of her work as President.

Administrator's Report: Motion by Dale Charters to approve Paul Schwartz as Club Administrator. Second by Judy Remmert. Motion passed, unanimously. This is a board position, so Paul will need to attend board meetings. Bill will contact Paul to inform him of his duties.

Bill said that Jim Radabaugh will be stepping down as the Willoughby Foundation treasurer and that a new WF treasurer is needed.

Bill is not sure if Mike will be able to attend meetings in person for a period of time. Bill is ok to run the zoom portion of the meeting, as long as Paul will handle the other administrative tasks.

Membership: N/A

Publicity: Since the hotel is unavailable in July or August for our club social, Jay will look into an alternate venue. He will keep Pat & Stacy in the loop so they can send the invite.

Jon Hawley drove his Rotary decorated car in the July 4th parade while members distributed candy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grants: District local grant updates form P. Storrer

2023/24 Grant Cycle, Application Period for Grants 7/1/23 – 10/15/23

No outstanding reports for prior year grants:

- i. 2021/22 Garden Theater Replacement Doors Project: final report submitted and accepted 6 /29/23
- ii. 2022/23 BACN Ice Melter Project: collaborative project with Benzie Sunrise, who submitted the final Report.

- 7/1/22-6/30/23 per-capita giving to Rotary International Annual Fund = \$126, so \$100 eligibility has been met.
- Memorandum of Understanding to be signed by President and President Elect: District will advise when form is available.
- Grant Application form for 2023/24: form not ready for use. District will advise when the form is available.
- RI dues for half-year commencing 7/1/23 must be paid by 10/15/23
- District dues for the year commencing 7/1/23 must be paid by 10/15/23.
- Grant Management Seminar: we have no carry-overs from 2022. Need minimum 2 to complete GMS. Peregrine and Schumaker attended the 2023 Grant Management Seminar. Storrer attend on-line.

Youth Services: No updates

Centennial Celebration: No updates

Old Business: Pat is in the process of comparing our by-laws with RI by-laws to make sure we are in sync. There is no deadline for this project.

Planning for a joint Holiday Party with Benzie Sunrise Club on Tuesday, Dec. 19th is ongoing. Judy is the main contact for the party. It will be posted to the website once details are finalized, closer to the date.

We can order blank certificates for Honorary Members from Russell Hampton. Cost is \$9 (plus shipping) for a dozen. Stacy will order.

New Business: Judy received an email from the Asst Gov. of District 6060 requesting information on our Pints for Polio fundraiser. Jay will follow up.

Motion to adjourn made by Peregrine, second by Remmert. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Next meeting: Wed, August 9, 2023 at 10:15 a.m. at the Hotel Frankfort.

Submitted by: Stacy L. Pasche