

Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes 1-18-08

Present: J. Frey, J. Bray, M. Regenwether, R. Tokheim, S. Roling, K. Klahn, V. Hill, M. Swanson, P. Holmer, G. Foste, C. Machael and L. Todtz
Absent: None

Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by R. Tokheim, seconded by M. Swanson. **M/S/U**

Financial Report

M. Regenwether made a motion to approve the financial reports and R. Tokheim seconded the motion. **M/S/U**

Steve reported that 7 Rotarians took advantage of the Paul Harris match in December and that the funds are about gone. 3 more have taken advantage of this option so far In January bring the new Paul Harris Fellow to 10 total.

The board discussed how we want to observe and honor our deceased club members going forward. K. Klahn made the motion that we donate \$100 to the Paul Harris Foundation in memory of the deceased. This was seconded by V. Hill. **M/S/U**

We will work on getting something a little more permanent to display at the visitation and or funeral.

President's Items

The board discussed whether we were interested in being a Showboat sponsor this year. K. Klahn made a motion not to so we wouldn't be setting a precedent. M. Swanson seconded the motion. **M/S/U**

John asked the board how we felt about the Fellowship format. He has received some complaints on the trivia games that are frequently saying that they are irrelevant or running on too long. It was decided that we try to start the meeting about 5 minutes sooner and also talk to the fellowship chairs and get their thoughts and suggestions. John brought up the current 3-year term limit on our board directors. He asked if we want to continue with this limit or change the term. We may want to amend our club by-laws to allow for term extensions. After discussion, M. Swanson made the motion that we amend the bylaws and allow for a maximum of two consecutive 3-year terms for general directors with the exception of the positions of Secretary, Treasurer and Bulletin Editor. This was seconded by M. Regenwether. **M/S/U**

John's recommendations for the 2008-2009 Board were to name Paul Holmer as 2nd VP and add Barb Faulkner and Norlan Hinke as directors. This will be voted on at the Jan. 28th weekly club meeting. He also discussed the legal status of our club. We are currently classified as a 501c(4) and are unincorporated. We discussed the advantages of incorporating which would give our club a liability exemption as well as the ability to

take title to vehicles and land and make it easier to apply for grants. J. Bray made a motion that we go ahead and incorporate and M. Regenwether seconded the motion.
M/S/U

Committee Reports

Club Administration – Mark Regenwether

Service Projects

Community Service – Gary Foster

Gary has submitted everything needed to this point for the fire truck project. The special bank account must now be opened for the grant to be deposited into.

Old Business

The Literacy Project got some good PR in the paper. We need to partner with a 501c(3) entity and it was suggested that we partner with United Way and work on an early childhood literacy program. In return we would recognize them as a community partner in this endeavor. K. Klahn made a motion we do this and M. Regenwether seconded the motion.

M/S/U

Rotary Foundation – Paul Holmer

Paul will continue with the “Foundation Moment” the 1st Monday of every month. There will be the opportunity for any member to sponsor this Rotary minute with a donation of \$26.50.

Club Activities – Kathy Klahn- No Report

Public Relations – Val Hill – No Report

Membership – Julie Bray-No Report, ran out of time

Meeting Adjourned – 8:30 am