

Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2014

Present: T. Determann, J. Dobbyn, L. Goodman, N. Hinke, R. Klahn, I. Lorenz, L. McGraw, J. Pillers, N. Sondgeroth and A. Wood

Absent: V. Hill

Guest: Andres Vernazza, Ashford student

Minutes: Motion to approve the November minutes was made by Lynn and seconded by Libby. **M/S/U**

Financial Report – Lynn McGraw

Lynn presented the financial reports of November and December 2013. The board discussed the year-end Profit and Loss report versus actual income and expenses. A motion to accept the financial reports was made by Jim D. and seconded by Jim P. **M/S/U**

Lynn said that she got boxes of Rotary “stuff” from Steve Roling. She will write a retention policy modeled after the standard retention procedures to retain records. (Standard is 7 – 8 year.) A motion to send records older than 7 years to be shredded at the Clinton National Bank was made by Norlan and seconded by Jim P. **M/S/U**

Guest – Andres Verma

Amber introduced Ashford student Andres Verma, to the board. Andres has professional experience in website and software development. Andres talked about his experience in marketing and shared his ideas of how to promote and spread information about Rotary in the community. Andres will work with Ida on ClubRunner in February. Andres' e-mail is: andresverma@gmail.com.

President's Report – Tom Determann

A motion to approve Sue Watkins, proposed for membership by Kim Clausen was made by Lynn and seconded by Amber. **M/S/U**

A motion to approve Nancy Vellinga Burke proposed for membership by Mary Swanson was made by Jim D. and seconded by Lynn. **M/S/U**

A motion to approve Pamela Hoogheem proposed for membership by Nathan Sondgeroth was made by Norlan and seconded by Libby. **M/S/U**

Tom mentioned that RI sends the RI budgets to Clubs for their information.

Libby said that she needs to have the update on the Planning Guide. She said the information is due very soon. It was agreed to meet the Friday, Feb. 14, before the regular board meeting in Lynn's office.

Discussion on human trafficking. Club boards are encouraged to promote awareness among members that this occurs in our community. Training is available to look for signs. It was suggested to contact Lori Freudenberg for more information and to get a speaker on the topic.

Committee Reports

Membership – Nathan Sondgeroth

Nathan handed out the Rotary Club of Nevada's five simple steps to build membership. The idea is to ask people to come to a club and give a program and give them the option to join. He said that Dave Cook of Boone is the driving force behind it.

Nathan said that he is actively promoting Rotary and is making contacts and invitations.

Club Administration – Rich Klahn

Rich would like to get each month a list of programs for the coming month. He will contact Val to get the information. He wants to assure that the topic does not offend anybody. Tom mentioned that we need club members to fill in when a speaker cancels. Libby said that she will revise the program signup sheet and get that out to board for review.

Club Activities – Jim Pillers

Jim distributed the Application for Certification of Authority of the Rotary Club of Clinton – A non-profit corporation and the Club By-laws. Jim said that he's not completely comfortable with the by-laws and that the board should look at it again and tweek it. Jim said that forming a corporation will give club members an umbrella protection beyond the liability insurance covered by RI.

A motion to approve the Application for Certification to form of Association to Corporation, tentative acquiesce of members was made by Jim P. and seconded by Rich. **M/S/U**

Jim said that we will get a new Federal tax ID. Lynn raised the question when she needs to file the Club tax return. Jim said that he will file to make it effective July 1, 2014.

Nathan suggested to hold an annual club meeting and to have a financial review 90 days after start of fiscal year.

Service Project – Amber Wood

Amber said that she's excited that Andres will work with us.

Amber said that she, Libby, Tom and Norlan met with Tom Krogman and Jessica Kinser December 19. Amber received invoices from Tom and she forwarded them to Lynn for payment. She said that Tom Krogman and Jessica Kinser want total funding available for the project. Balance left over will apply to the Rainbow park.

Amber said starting in early Spring, she will be setting up monthly service project dates for park clean up at Rotary Park. Repair work will be done by the City.

Amber said that she will work with Libby to pick two students to attend RYLA and get information out to the schools. Norlan said that RYLA students go out in the community and speak about their experiences not just to the Rotary club. Libby said that payment of \$800 to RYLA is due March 15, 2014.

Vocational/International Service – Libby Goodman

Libby said that Carlo's medical bills were sent to his mother. Tom said that Rod Tokheim will take care of Carlo's medical bills.

Libby said that Carlos has to attend a mandatory over-night team bonding retreat in Indianola Jan. 17 – 18. She said that our exchange student committee needs to be developed. People need to get properly trained and we need to get host families more engaged.

Libby reported that Carlo's birthday is Feb. 4 (NOTE: Libby found out it's April 2). The club needs to give him a gift. Tom suggested we pass the hat. Libby said that Carlos' Christmas gift consisted of \$100 gift certificate to Paul's, \$75 in cash and goodies.

Jim D. raised the question where do we stand with the auction. Libby said that the auction committee met Jan. 13 and that May 9 has been selected for the auction. The committee does not a committee chair for the auction. Mike Terrill heads up the fundraising committee.

Libby wanted to know where the Vision Planning work sheets are.

Libby said that she registered for PETS and the grant writing seminar held in Rochester, MN, March 7 – 8, 2014

Rotary Foundation – Jim Dobbyn – no report

Public Relations – Val Hill – no report

Old Business –

No 100 yr celebration meeting was held by Kellie Hillis due to weather and business conflict. Libby said that we need ideas for the celebration. She said that Ashford student Christie Dillie wants to help with the 100 year celebration efforts. She will attend the February 3 meeting.

New Business –

FYI – Pre PETS webinar will be held Feb. 18, 19 and 20, 2014.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 a.m.

Next board meeting is February 21, 2014