

Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes March 15, 2012

Present: T. Determann, L. Goodman, N. Hinke, I. Lorenz, L. McGraw, J. Pillers and N. Sondgeroth

Absent: J. Dobbyn, G. Foster, L. Goodman, V. Hill, and A. Wood

Minutes: Motion to approve February minutes was made by Jim P. and seconded by Tom. **M/S/U**

Financial Report – Lynn McGraw

Lynn presented the financial reports of February 2013. Lynn proposed opening a savings account at the Clinton National Bank to deposit money from auction sponsors and auction tickets. She said that all the money will be sent to District 6000 H.E.F. after the auction and that District 6000 will reimburse the club the full amount.

A motion to accept the financial report of February 2013 was made by Jim D. and seconded by Libby. **M/S/U**

President's Report – Norlan Hinke

Norlan said that Libby will attend the District Assembly Saturday, March 23. Norlan informed the board that the Haiti Water for Life grant application was submitted March 14. He also noted that Rotary International carefully reviews all grant applications. The contract is written for drilling one well at a time and for paying one well at a time. They will get \$5,000 up front. A report on the completion of the well is required. Norlan said that he will write the contract.

Norlan said that club contributed 132 pairs of shoes to the shoe project and that we may get more.

Norlan noted that he has not heard from Dave (or is it Norm VanKlombenburgh?) on firming up a date in late April or early May for the Strategic Plan Vision meeting.

Norlan said that he received a request to sponsor a student for \$650/student to attend the 2013 World Affairs Seminar. The board agreed that there is no money in the budget to sponsor a student.

Norlan passed out the District 6000 budget report for July 1 through December 31, 2012.

Committee Reports

Membership – Nathan Sondgeroth

Nathan said that membership drive month will be May. May = Members. He will ask members to invite guests. Norlan noted that the club pays for 90 meals. Nathan said that people want to be part of a winning team. And the message is: The Rotary Club is the place where you meet that kind of people. Norlan suggested Nathan form a membership committee mainly from "new" members to help attract new members. Nathan said that a once-a-month trivia would really engage members.

Club Administration – Tom Determann

Tom said the scholarship award program starts May 8. It was noted that Rob Cassidy coordinates the scholarship program and that each student will receive a certificate from the Club.

Tom said that he attended the president elect conference. He said that there were lots of good sessions and that he attended the one on fundraising.

Tom gave an update on the auction. Sponsor money and auction items are coming in.

Tom raised the question whether club dues could be paid by debit/credit card. He said that there will be a fee. Lynn stated that she's not opposed to the idea. Tom said that we should ask members at a meeting if they are interested and have Val put it in the bulletin. Norlan said to visit that question at the board meeting.

Club Activities – Jim Pillers

Jim Pillers said that he had a discussion with John Frey regarding Club liability insurance and Rotary International insurance. Ida said that the club pays insurance on each member annually. She will get the information to Jim.

Jim noted that our club does not have by-laws but we do have a constitution. We will discuss by-laws at the next meeting whether they are necessary. Jim raised the question whether our club should be a not for profit corporation. We are just a Club. Lynn said that we are a 501(c)(4).

Norlan said that the club's 100th anniversary will be under Libby's watch. We need to gather all kinds of historic information .

Service Project – Amber Wood

Ida updated the board on sponsor money received so far and Tom reported on auction items that have been and will be donated.

Vocational/International Service – Libby Goodman

Libby said that she will attend the March 23 District Assembly.

Libby reported that she sent RYLA information to all high schools. This year, the RYLA conference will be for 5 days and will cost \$400/student. The club will send two students. Students will have to fill out an application and the board will review the applications and decide who gets to go. The conference is for sophomores and juniors.

Libby said that she will start taking names for the 100 year celebration committee and start looking for any historical material.

Rotary Foundation – Jim Dobbyn

A motion for Tom and Jim Dobbyn to apply for District 6000 grants was made by Jim Pillers and seconded by Lynn. **M/S/U**

Public Relations – Val Hill – no report

Old Business - none

New Business

A motion for Lynn to proceed opening a checking account at the Clinton National Bank to flow auction funds and for Rich Klahn and Norlan to co-sign was made by Jim Pillers and Tom. **M/S/U**

Lynn asked the board whether we should have an audit. Norlan said that he will take care of it.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 a.m.

Next meeting scheduled for April 19, 2013.