

Clinton Rotary Club

**Board Meeting Minutes for April 24, 2015**

**Present:** J. Bruhn, T. Determann, J. Dobbyn, L. Goodman, J. Graf, R. Klahn, I. Lorenz, and L. McGraw

**Absent:** S. Sander-Welzien

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the March minutes was made by Jennifer and seconded by Jim B. **M/S/U**

**President's Report – Libby Goodman**

Libby presented Ryan Stephenitch for membership. The made a motion to approve Ryan for membership.

Libby said that Jennifer resigned from serving as Membership Chair. She said that Idell Klein will serve on the Membership Committee.

Libby said that she contacted members who do not attend the weekly meetings. It was a good effort.

Libby completed the President's citation for 2014/15. She gave the board each a copy of the 2015/16 President's Citation D6000 goals.

Libby reported that Mike Kirchhoff agreed to host an exchange student next year. We still need two more host families. Each family would host the student for 3 months.

100 year project: Libby said that Dee is working hard on raising funds. Changes are being made on the GAF agreement.

We need Rotarians to help at the picnic from 5 – 7p.m. July 1. There will be displays at the lodge. We are still waiting on the quotes from food vendors. Question was raised on how we pay for the picnic. The cost estimate is \$5,000. Jennifer said that we need sponsorship for the picnic.

Libby said that the Rainbow Park equipment will be installed starting April 29. She will provide the board information on project cost.

Libby reported that the Earth Day clean-up 4/22 went well. Several Rotarians helped. The fire department hosed off the playground surface.

She said that "Operation Warm – Coats for Kids" our club was best in district. We can apply for a community grant for next year.

Libby reported that Rob Cassidy mailed out the scholarship letters to the High Schools. Scholarship recipients are invited to attend the May 18 club meeting to receive their certificates.

**Financial Report – Lynn McGraw**

Lynn presented the financial reports for March 1 through April 17, 2015. A motion to approve the financials was made by Jim B. and seconded by Rich. **M/S/U**

**Committee Reports**

**Club Administration – Rich Klahn**

Rich said that the auction is going very well and that they past the targeted \$30,000 sponsorship contributions. Jim B. suggested to take 10% from the auction proceeds for operating costs and put it into savings. Rich will take the suggestion back to the auction committee.

Rich said that he will pass around a sign-up sheet for program chairs for July 2015 through June 2016.

### **Club Activities – Jim Bruhn**

Jim said that he will talk to John Frey to get the 501(C)(3) submitted.

### **Rotary Foundation – Jim Dobbyn**

Jim said that he will start working on the district grant June 1. The grant application needs to be submitted to D6000 by June 15. Do we want to apply and what will it be? Jim said that it needs to be a self contained project.

Ideas: landscaping around the lodge, summer food program for kids, walking trail at Jefferson Elementary School.

Jim B. suggested to give every child swimming lessons over the summer. Jim D. noted that the club needs to put some sweat equity as part of the grant. Discussion followed. It was decided to put the projects on the May agenda.

### **Service Projects – Jim Bruhn**

Jim noted that it's appreciated that Rotarians provided meals and helped at the Getting Ahead project and the park clean-up.

### **Vocational/International Service – Shannon Sander-Welzien**

Libby said that the vocational service committee will meet May 4 to select 2 students to attend RYLA.

### **Public Relations – Jennifer Graf**

Jennifer said that information about the auction and the 100 year celebration are posted on Facebook and in the club bulletin.

### **Membership – Jennifer Graf**

Jennifer contacts new members and shares what the benefits of being a Rotarian are. Jim B. suggested to create a form letter and send it to new hires and to people who move to the community. Libby said that she will check with Nathan on the corporate membership.

Libby said that she and Jennifer listened in on the membership webinar. There were some good ideas.

### **Old Business**

Libby noted that a \$1,000 check for the India water project was mailed to the Muscatine Rotary Club, our project partner.

### **New Business**

Libby reported that she will meet May 7 with Mike Ruby in the Quad Cities. Libby would like to schedule a budget meeting the end of May. She noted that the CHS Girls basket ball and boys wrestling were the MAC Award winners.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 a.m.

Next meeting May 15, 2015