Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes for May 15, 2015

Present: T. Determann, J. Dobbyn, L. Goodman, J. Graf, R. Klahn, I. Lorenz, McGraw and S. Sander-Welzien

Absent: J. Bruhn

Guests: Kellie Hillis and Dee Willoughby

Minutes: Jennifer requested to add a copy of the minutes of the membership webinar to the minutes. Motion to approve the April minutes was made by Jennifer and seconded by Lynn. **M/S/U**

Financial Report - Lynn McGraw

Lynn presented the financial reports for April 1 through May 13, 2015. Discussion on Profit and Loss by Class operating income and detail for auction expenses. A motion to approve the financials was made by Jennifer and seconded by Rich.

M/S/U

President's Report - Libby Goodman

Libby informed the board that D6000 raised member dues by \$.50/year. Discussion followed. What should be the policy? A motion to create a policy to pass on increased expenses from Rotary International and/or D6000 to members was made by Jennifer and seconded by Tom. **M/S/U** Since the Rotary fiscal year starts July 1, it was decided to table raising the dues by \$.25/quarter until the budget planning meeting. Jim D. will set the date for the budget meeting.

Libby asked whether there are two club members on the club's checking account. Lynn is and probably Lynn Todtz. Lynn will check.

Lynn asked whether we should apply for the community service grant. Grant deadline is June 30, 2015. It was suggested to pick a project and get feedback and a vote from members on our proposal and then go forward. Projects suggested are walking trail around Jefferson School and kitchen remodeling. It was noted that the project will require a match of \$5,000 and needs to be completed in 12 months.

Kellie Hillis gave an update on the 100 year celebration picnic July 1, 2015 at Eagle Point Lodge. Question was raised: "Where does the money come from to pay for the picnic?" Dee Willoughby said that donations from him are in-kind, there's no value attached.

Motion to allocate up to \$5,000 from the Club general fund was made by Jim D and seconded by Tom.

M/S/U

Dee Willoughby said that the Eagle Point Lodge fundraising committee, consisting of 9 people, meets every Friday from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. He reported that past presidents will be invited for a lunch next week to get them involved in fundraising and donate to the project. Dee said that the GAF agreement was signed last May 8, 2015. Payment to GAF will start April 1, 2015 at \$395/month. No money has been put in GAF as of this date. It's still on Dee's desk. So far \$408,000 has been raised. The probability to get \$1M is pretty high. Dee said that the committee is working on developing a strategy to ask and encourage Rotarians to donate to the project. Dee said that the project can start when 75% of money is committed. He noted that several pledges are over some years and need to be done by June 30, 2017. He has asked for 1/3 of the pledge up front.

Question was raised on insurance coverage for the picnic. Julie Bray will let us know.

Libby said she will give her year's review and incoming president Jim D. will share his goals for the coming year on June 29. A cake will be served in celebration of the 100 year anniversary. She noted that the D6000 Governor's visit is July 6. She will pass the gavel to Jim D. on that day.

Committee Reports

Club Administration - Rich Klahn

Rich said that the auction committee agreed to take 10% from the auction proceeds for operating costs and put it into savings. Rich said that he will pass around a sign-up sheet for program chairs for July 2015 through June 2016.

Club Activities - Jim Bruhn - no report

Rotary Foundation - Jim Dobbyn

Jim said that he will look at the list of people who made contributions to the Paul Harris Foundation.

Service Projects - Jim Bruhn

Libby said that the Getting Ahead Program is scheduled for May 27. Idell is in charge of it.

Vocational/International Service - Shannon Sander-Welzien

Shannon said that 2 students have been selected to attend RYLA. They are Brittani Gregorich of Camanche HS and Kaytlinn Duesing of DeWitt HS. The students will come to one of the club meetings in June for introduction and in August to present about their experience at RYLA.

Public Relations - Jennifer Graf

Jennifer said that information about the auction, the 100 year celebration and the Rain Bow Park Project are posted on Facebook and in the club bulletin.

Membership - Jennifer Graf

Jennifer said that the membership committee met Monday, May 11. The purpose was to get a template for corporate membership from Nathan. The membership template and a welcome letter to the community from Rotary for inclusion in the welcome packet distributed to newcomers were supposed to be created by the intern from the Chamber. Completion was delayed due to the intern's illness.

Old Business

Libby asked whether Ida found someone to cross train for the bulletin. Ida said that Ruthann offered to do it. Ida noted that she received a request from the Vitoria's Rotary Club in Brazil inviting Rotarians to support the 1BOOK4LIFE Program.

New Business - none

Meeting adjourned 8:30 a.m.

Next meeting June 19, 2015