

Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes August 16, 2013

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

Absent: V. Hill, and N. Sondgeroth

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

Financial Report – Lynn McGraw

Lynn presented the financial reports of July 2013 and account activities report. Lynn said that she asked Dale Dalton and Claire Buyerts to audit the books and they said that they will consider it. A motion for Tom to contact Dale and Claire to review the books was made by Norlan and seconded by Jim P.

M/S/U

Discussion on financial report followed. Regarding the Great River Foundation, it was suggested to have a program on growth of investments by encouraging members to include contributions to the foundation in their estate planning. Jim D. raised question regarding cash flow. Lynn said that the club had cash flow losses in two consecutive years. She stated that there's a commitment of \$21,000 to the playground. Additional discussions were on income vs. expenses and on meal charges. It was suggested to talk to Mike Rastrelli about reducing the number of meals.

The board agreed that if a member is two quarters behind in dues payment, it should be brought to the attention of the board.

A motion to accept the financial report of July 2013 and to form a financial committee headed up by Lynn and by Rich, Libby and Ida one week prior to the board meeting was made by Norlan and seconded by Jim P. **M/S/U** The meeting will be at 7 am Friday one week prior of the regular board meeting. The committee will meet in Lynn's office.

President's Report – Tom Determann.

Tom said that the goal for 2013/14 is to gain 2 new members and have a 100% member participation in the Paul Harris Foundation. He suggested members each contribute \$5.00 or contribute one week's fines to the Foundation.

Carrie informed board about the Dakota Unity Riders who plan to come to Clinton Tuesday, Sept. 3. About 35 people are expected to spend one night at the Eriksen Center. The organizers are asking for support from our Club to cover meal expenses. She said that members are invited to attend their evening gathering. The board agreed to support the group and pass the hat at the next meeting and have a sign-up sheet available for members that want to attend..

Committee Reports

Membership – Nathan Sondgeroth – no report

Club Administration – Rich Klahn.

Jim D. said that we are past the deadline to apply for a simplified grant because the grant report is incomplete. Norlan said that he serves on the D6000 grant committee. Amber offered to update and write the grant report and submit it to D6000.

Club Activities – Jim Pillers

Jim said that incorporating will provide umbrella liability coverage. He will review the incorporation draft and by-laws and then present both to the members. Jim said that there's an initial fee to incorporate and an annual fee of approximate \$30.

Service Project – Amber Wood

Amber said that she now has copies of the grant applications. It was agreed that the club secretary keep all grant records on file.

Amber said that she will invite Tom Krogman to come to the September board meeting.

Vocational/International Service – Libby Goodman

Libby said that she contacted area high schools to schedule students to come to the meetings. So far, one high school has responded. Libby said that Carlos' English is limited. She hopes all works out with him at Clinton High. Clinton High School still needs the transcript from his school. Libby said that the \$2,500 budgeted for the exchange student is to cover activity fees and birthday and Christmas gifts.

Libby said that the two students that attended RYLA will speak at the September 16 meeting.

Libby asked whether the board has any ideas to sponsor a vocational student next year.

Rotary Foundation – Jim Dobbyn

Jim said that he wants to invite a speaker to talk about the Foundation at a meeting in November.

Public Relations – Val Hill – no report

Old Business –

Libby asked whether the board will follow up on the strategic planning survey. Tom said that he will ask Jennifer Graf to have a program on it in October.

Libby said we have quite a few people that signed up for the 100 yr. committee, but we need a chair to head up the project. It was agreed to meet after a meeting to brainstorm.

New Business

Amber said that she will request a grant extension for the gaming grant. Club Facebook training was tabled. It will be put on the September board agenda for discussion.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 a.m.

Next meeting scheduled for September 20, 2013.