Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes 11-16-07

Present:

J. Frey, J. Bray, M. Regenwether, R. Tokheim, S. Roling, K. Klahn, V.

Hill, M. Swanson, P. Holmer and L. Todtz

Absent:

G. Foster, K. Deering

Guest:

Alma Mariano

Minutes

Minutes were not available for review.

Financial Report

P. Holmer made a motion to approve the financial reports and J. Bray seconded the motion.

M/S/U

President's Items

John said the annual meeting to name new slate of board members for the 08-09 fiscal year must be held by December 31, 2007. Lynn Todtz expressed interest in training another person so she can transition out of the secretary position in the next year. John will make an announcement at the next noon meeting that any interested persons should contact him. John also reviewed the Presidential Citation criteria with the board. We found that we have met at least one of the criteria in each category except membership. We must meet a net increase of one member by 3-31-08 which would require 111 members as of that date.

Committee Reports

Vocational Service - Rod Tokheim (Alma Mariano guest)

John had asked Alma Mariano to attend so that we could review the student leadership opportunites available through Rotary. Alma said there are three main ones:

- 1.) Whitewater/University of Wisconsin Leadership Conference held in June of each year, cost of \$465 is shared with Kiwanis.
- 2.) RYLA Offered to sophomore students chosen by school counselors. Cost to send each student is \$160.
- 3.) HOBY (Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference) Held at both state and national levels. Students usually go to the Des Moines conférence where they have the opportunity to run their own government for a week. Cost of \$240 for 2 students is usually shared by Kiwanis.

The board decided we would like to set an annual budget for these things and then make sure all the high school counselors are contacted about sending qualified students.

Club Administration

Club Activities - Kathy Klahn

Plans are pretty much finalized for the Rotary Christmas Luncheon at the County Club. It will be held Monday, Dec. 10th at 11:30 am in lieu of our regular meeting that day. Kathy reported that she has confirmed the entertainment and will confirm the menu in the next week.

<u>Membership – Julie Bray</u>

Julie reported she has set the date for the next Fireside Chat. It will be held on Monday, January 7, 2008 at 5 pm at the Frontier. Julie also told the board that Teresa Burkert is interested in becoming a member. Barb Faulkner, a member from the North Scott Rotary Club will be transferring in to our club on Monday, November 19th. As we discussed ways to increase membership, the idea was brought up that we offer the same 50% discount that we are giving to our young members now to our retirees and spousal pairs as well. It was decided that we needed to see what financial impact it would have on our club so Steve said that he would run some numbers and then report back to the board at our next meeting.

Service Projects

Community Service -

We received a letter from the Salvation Army asking for bell ringers from our club. Paul Holmer volunteered to look into it and see what days are available and then get the information back to our club.

International Service-

Rotary Foundation – Paul Holmer

Paul and Steve have been working on the transfer of club foundation points and have added to Larry Troxell's points to make him an honorary Paul Harris Fellow. They also explained that available club points can be used as a match with personal contributions to bring others up to the Paul Harris Fellow status. The board agreed that this would be a very easy way to get meet our Foundation goals and thought that it would be great if board members could lead the way in this initiative. In addition to the Foundation "minute" he is doing at each weekly meeting, Paul plans to have a program on Polio Plus in January.

Public Relations-No Report

Old / New Business- There will be NO December Board Meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 am.