

Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2014

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

Guests: Cheryl Frey, John Frey and Kathy Klahn

Absent: J. Dobbyn, and N. Sondgeroth

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

Financial Report – Lynn McGraw

Lynn presented the financial reports of October and the account quick report for the period October 1 through November 10, 2014. Discussion followed. She said that Lynn Todtz will look at the auction proceeds from the past 4 years. Lynn Todtz will look at the expenses and where the money was spent. It was noted that there is \$9,000 in the auction account from Leadership grants.

A motion to accept the financial reports was made by Jim B. and seconded by Jennifer. **M/S/U**

President's Report – Libby Goodman

Libby said that we are committed to use the \$5,000 matching grant for the ADA equipment at the Rainbow Park because it was in the grant application. Libby has the ADA brochure. Total cost of the equipment is \$10,000. Libby said that we need to hire someone to install the equipment. Rich noted that we need to budget for labor.

John Frey suggested the Rainbow Park task force should coordinate the installation for both, the ADA and other equipment. He also noted that insuring the new equipment is the city's responsibility. All we are obligated to do is to let the city know.

Libby reported on the feedback from members on budget and financials. Discussion on the various items followed.

The board approved \$4,500 towards the architectural study for Eagle Point Park. The concept is the money is raised to work on the Eagle Point Project.

Tax Task Force: John Frey said that the focus is on clarifying club relationship with D6000 and reaching an agreement with D6000.

Committee Reports

Club Administration – Rich Klahn

Cheryl Frey reported that the committee changed the letter to sponsors after they consulted with Mike Ruby. Taking into consideration that we are not a rich community, it was agreed focus of the auction will be on upgrading Clinton Parks. The theme for the 2015 auction is "Clinton Rotary Serves".. A motion to use the 2015 auction proceeds to complete park projects to the extent needed and to use any excess funds toward other Rotary community projects was made by Jim B and seconded by Rich. **M/S/U**

Club Activities – Jim Bruhn

Jim said that he has the Article of Incorporation to get in place and activate after we get tax exempt approved. The 501(C)3 is a 50 page application. The process will start in April/May. Jim's target date is June 2015. However, we won't be a charitable organization until 2016. It was noted that the 100 year committee needs to set up a separate account with D6000 HEF. Committee needs to submit periodically what comes out of the account to D6000. Fee is justified for accrued expenses. Jim B. said that the Article of Incorporation will be filed next week. The draft of the By-laws is in the works.

Rotary Foundation – Jim Dobbyn - no report

It was noted that because Jim D. did not do a Foundation Program in November, he should still do one at a club meeting.

Service Project – Jim Bruhn

Community assignments are doing great. He said the committee agreed to have a club meeting early in 2015, to get the club to come up with service projects, to get a buy-in and to get the club's consensus.

After the discussion on making members honorary members, it was suggested to implement some criteria and have the membership committee look at it.

Vocational/International Service – Shannon Sander-Welzien

Libby said that Amber gave Shannon her binder. Shannon has contacted the schools and said that she has a good understanding of the service.

Public Relations – Jennifer Graf - no report

Membership – Nathan Sondgeroth - no report

Jennifer will report in place of Nathan at the board meetings.

Old Business –

Libby presented a letter from Kellie on the 100 year planned happenings. Dee had a meeting with the Eagle Point architect. The quote came up way higher than expected. The project will not get out to bid until the money is in hand. On November 24, Kellie will present a power point of the project during the club meeting. John Frey said that the members need to be involved and have the opportunity to look at doable pieces of the project.

It was agreed to keep the auction momentum going. Jennifer said to let the club decide what they focus of the auction is supposed to be.

New Business –

Jim B. will check with the Salvation Army on the date for bell ringing at Paul's.

Jennifer will submit club news to Carolyn for the quarterly D6000 newsletter.

Libby said the Presidential Citation has been completed.

Libby informed the board that the Muscatine and Tipton Club would like our club to join them in support of water projects in India. They are asking for \$500 in support of the project. She said Norlan wants to continue with the Haiti water project. Jennifer suggested we ask members which project they want to support, Haiti or India.

Libby said that Rotary International wants us to do a Rotary day before June 30, 2015.

The board agreed not to have club meetings December 22 and 29..

Meeting adjourned 9:05 a.m.

Next board meeting is October 17, 2014