Clinton Rotary Club

Board Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2015

Present: J. Bruhn, J. Dobbyn, L. Goodman, J. Graf, N. Hinke, I. Lorenz, L. McGraw and S. Sander-Welzien

Absent: J. Graf and R. Klahn

Guest: Dee Willoughby

Minutes: Motion to approve the October minutes was made by Jim B. and seconded by Libby.

W/S/U

Financial Report - Lynn McGraw

Lynn presented the Account Quick report for October 1 through November 18, 2015, and the Balance Sheet and P&L by Class for October 2015. Lynn said that she did the 1023 IRS filing. Question was raised whether we are within budget for this year. Lynn said that we are close. Jim D. still plans to give an overview of the budget at a club meeting.

Motion to approve the financial reports was made by Libby and seconded by Jim D. M/S/U

President's Report – Jim Bruhn (president elect)

Jim Bruhn will attend the PETS conference March 10 -12, 2016. Ida will register him.

Libby said that she will ask members to contribute toward a Christmas gift for Andres. Dee Willoughby has the Eagle Point Lodge contract between the club and Russell Construction that needs to be signed by the club. Jim B. said he won't give his opinion on the contract because it would take 10 – 20 hrs to review. The board agreed to just sign it. Dee is responsible.

Policies/planning - none at the moment.

Attendance: Jim D. is pleased that attendance has gone up by over 50% just last week. Jim D. wants members to bring guests since we pay for 90 meals/week.

It was agreed not to have a special dues assessment at the present.

Dee Willoughby gave an update on the Eagle Point Lodge Project. He distributed the fund breakdown. He said that he has the 60 page contract and detailed drawings of the project. He assured the board that the project will not exceed the \$1M. That raised the question whether we will get quality products. Yes, he said, it's built into the contract. Target completion date is March 31, 2016.

The club wants a prominent Rotary sign by the lodge. Dee said that Dennis Zornig will pay for part or all of the emblem. It was suggested to get members involved in the project.

Motion to authorize Dee to sign the contract and oversee the project was made by Jim B. and seconded by Libby.

M/S/U

Committee Reports

Club Administration - Rich Klahn

Rich said that the coats were distributed to the schools. He said that the auction committee chaired by Kathy Klahn and Jennifer Graf has its first meeting November 24. It was noted that the club should consider a fundraiser in addition to the auction. It was suggested to get a working group together to see what we can do. It's important, however, that it will not compete with the auction.

Club Activities - Jim Bruhn - no report

Rotary Foundation - Norlan Hinke

Norlan said he would like Lynn to put something in the dues invoice to encourage people to donate to Paul Harris Foundation. He said to do a survey to all members and get feedback to improve percent of giving. Norlan wants to do a Foundation minute every month and build in the weekly program and have a quarterly 5 minute Foundation program to show members where the money goes.

Service Projects - Libby Goodman

Libby said that she needs project ideas for the grant application. Jim D. said that he will ask members for ideas. The board can then evaluate their input and make a decision. Libby said that she will talk about it at the next club meeting.

Libby said that the club will do two days of bell ringing for the Salvation Army at Paul's.

Vocational/International Service - Shannon Sander-Welzien- no report

Public Relations - Jennifer Graf - no report

Membership - Jennifer Graf - no report

Old Business - no report

New Business

Libby asked if Ida found somebody to cross train on ClubRunner. Ida said that Ruthann might still be interested. She'll check with her.

Jim D. will check club goals on RI website.

Jim D. said that we should have a Rotary sign at the edge of town to increase visibility of our club. Libby said that the sign at the North End is tilted – needs fixing.

Libby said that some members are interested in Rotary clothing. Maybe we could have another clothing drive like when Kathy Klahn was president. Jim D. said that he will talk to her.

The board agreed not to have a meeting December 28. Jim D. will notify Mike Rastrelli by e-mail.

Meeting adjourned 8:05 a.m.

Next meeting January 15, 2016