



Rotary Club of Clinton Board Meeting

March 23, 2020

1:00 PM Conference Call: **866.217.8584 Conference**

Establish a quorum: Board members, Jill O'Neill, Dale Dalton, Brian Wright, Shannon Sander-Welzien, Idell Klein, Sue Watkins, Christie Collins, Rod Tokheim, Mark Ruetenbeck, Jennifer Graf (excused ex-officio)

Present: Christie Collins, Dale Dalton, Jennifer Graf, Douglas Harridge, Idell Klein, Jill O'Neill, Braydon Roberts, Mark Rutenbeck, Shannon Sander-Welzein, Rod Tokheim, Sue Watkins, Brian Wright

Excused: N/A

Guests: N/A

Meeting called to order by the President:

- I. **Minutes:**
 - A. Meeting minutes from February 2020 board meeting approved
 - B. Motioned by Doug Harridge, Second by Christie Collins.
 - C. Passed unanimously
- II. **Treasurer Report:**
 - A. Treasurer report will be emailed out to the board
 - B. Approval of financials to be done by email; added as an addendum to minutes
 1. No objections
- III. **President's items:** *District 6000 Governor Erna Morain's area of focus: Food Insecurity, End Polio Now, and President Maloney's emphasis of Club Growth, Family Friendly Rotary, and Diversity within All Levels of Rotary*

What will be our commitment to these areas this year?

 - **Food Insecurity:** Backpack Buddies sponsored through the Boo Bash
 - **End Polio Now:** Continued inclusion of amount in dues
 - **Club Growth:** Sue Watkins is leading a new member initiative
 - **Family Friendly:** Rock n Roll Bingo, Rotary Night at the Ball Park, Rotary Night at the Showboat
 - **Inclusion:** Ramp up connections with and support of the Clinton High School Interact Club
 - **Inclusion:** Looking into the possibility of establishing a Rotaract Club at Clinton Community College



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IV. BOARD MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Rotary Foundation: Brian Wright
 - 1. On Hold for now
- B. Administration: Jill O'Neill
 - 1. Updated website, URL
 - 2. Will need to update by-laws later in 2020
- C. Club Activities: Jill O'Neill
 - 1. To be discussed under other business (Rock n Roll Bingo Proceeds, Boo Bash #2, Josh the Otter, Homerun Readers, etc,)
- D. Service Projects: Idell Klein
 - 1. Need volunteered hours emailed to Idell
- E. Vocational/Student Projects: Shannon Sander-Welzien
 - 1. Due to COVID, no major updates with RYLA
 - 2. Scholarships will need to be discussed
- F. Scholarships: Braydon Roberts
 - 1. Braydon to reach out to high school (Lori from the Superintendents' Office) to get the ball moving
 - 2. Further discussion under new business
- G. Membership: Sue Watkins and Rod Tokheim
 - 1. No new updates
- H. Sunshine and International Projects: Christie Collins
 - 1. Christie Collins reported she received an email from Brenda Dimond - their club has been shut down during this time
 - 2. Susan gave updates from most recent trip - any further travel is unknown at this time
- I. Publicity: Jill O'Neill
 - 1. Still actively sending out club newsletter
 - 2. Any information that the board wants in the newsletter can be emailed to Jill

V. UPCOMING EVENTS

- A. No discussion at this meeting.

VI. OLD BUSINESS



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A. None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Canceled Meetings

1. Brian has received a lot of feedback, some in support of canceling meetings, some not in support.
2. At this time, we have canceled all Rotary meetings through the end of April.
3. It is unknown when we will meet again.
4. RI Conference in Hawaii is also canceled.

B. Josh the Otter

1. Program tabled for this year
2. Next years' program will include both Kindergarten and 1st grade
3. Motion to approve by Jennifer Grad; Second by Brayden Roberts
4. No Discussion
5. Passed unanimously

C. Homerun Readers

1. After much debate agreement to:
 - a) Have Dale and Brian get together and look at financials, to see how much money is left from grant received in 2019
 - b) Brian to ask Norlan Hinke if reporting and/or spending requirements can be deferred due to COVID
2. Discussion tabled to next month's meeting

D. Scholarship Program - Community Foundation Scholarship Funds Availability

1. Current scholarship funds are at \$6,936
2. Discussion over using the Community Foundation money (\$590) to add to the scholarship funds, so Rotary Club of Clinton can offer eight \$1,000 scholarships to local high schoolers
3. Motion made by Jill O'Neill to ask our Rotary Club of Clinton Foundation to supplement funds of \$1,064, subject to repayment of funds, if our meetings continue.
4. Second by Braydon Roberts
5. Consent passed unanimously

E. Boo Bash



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1. Secured Vista Grande for Friday, October 23
2. Will be seeking sponsorships for additional financial assistance for Boo Bash
3. Sponsorships will be sent out to past sponsors, but are ON HOLD for the time being only
4. Save the Date to be sent out to Rotarians, Past-Sponsors, etc.

F. Community Involvement and Support at This Time

1. After much discussion, an agreement was made to have Brian contact SuperIntendents of Clinton, Fulton, and Camanche to see where we can be of help, as many programs already exist

G. Task Force

1. Decreasing Membership
2. Decreasing Revenue
3. Increasing Expenses
4. Decreasing Attendance
5. Decreasing Involvement

H. Year-End Awards Dinner Meeting

1. Tabled for current month

I. Review of By-Laws

1. Tabled for current month

J. Dues

1. After MUCH discussion;
 - a) A letter from Brian and a bill from Dale will be sent out to members with two options: (1) paying minimum dues (\$74) and (2) paying full amount (\$211)
 - b) If a member chooses to pay minimum dues, they will be prorated the meal amount for when our meetings resume
2. Proposed motion made by Mark Rutenbeck; Second by Christie Collins
3. Passed, **pending the review of invoice and language used in letter

K. Rastrelli's

1. No decision re: Rastrelli's was made at this time.

VIII. Motion to adjourn at 3:11 PM made by Braydon Roberts; second by Christie Collins

IX. Next board meeting will be April 20, 2020; location TBD