

ReWine Meeting Minutes-7/6/2017

Meeting brought to order at 5:15 PM

Attendees:

Papa N'jai	Kaytie Ely
John Noling	Braxton Gerdes
Susan Crain	Bill Loxterman
Orville Crain	Liam Loxterman
Landon Fortenbear	

Business:

1.) Noon Meeting Update

- a. This week's noon meeting program was presented by the Mayor of Grand Rapids.
- b. She discussed the cost of bringing back the rapids, a tree assessment that could increase the number of trees in the city from 35% to 45%.
- c. Overall, it was stated that she was a very enjoyable speaker and her program brought about ample questions.

2.) Rotarians Planting Trees

- a. There is a Rotary initiative that asks EVERY Rotarian in the world to plant a tree this year. John Noling said he would be able to help find trees for our ReWine Club and asked if we all wanted to take on the responsibility of planting a tree. It was stated that we would like to further discuss this.

3.) Connecting Students to Rotaract/Interact

- a. Susan asked for assistance from Bill, Papa, and John to help involve Rotaractors with getting Interactors to join Rotaract at MCC. Susan connected with Diana Casey, who does experiential learning in the field of Geology.

- b. The thought process was that we should be helping to connect incoming Muskegon Promise students to join Rotaract at MCC, since their rate of turnover makes it difficult to retain students in the club.
- c. John N. suggested getting into MCC's classrooms during the first few weeks of class to try and encourage students to join, or at least learn more about Rotaract.

4.) International Aid

- a. The International Aid Hygiene Kit packing event was brought up. Several ReWine members stated that they would try and make it out to help pack kits.

5.) Chamber of Commerce-Seeking Help

- a. The Muskegon Chamber of Commerce is seeking help on July 24-27th with help cleaning up Sherman Boulevard. Shifts are 3 hours each and are from 9 am-12 pm, and 1 pm-4 pm.
- b. ReWine stated that we would like to claim a lot/spot/corner to clean once a month. This would be in addition to the bridge clean up we have been discussing.

6.) Rotaract in Coopersville

- a. Coopersville now has a community based Rotaract Club. It was brought up that the club seems to be struggling slightly due in part to it being summer and most individuals being otherwise occupied. A couple members said they would be interested in speaking with the club's founding member and trying to give her some assistance/advice.

7.) Update on Bridge

- a. Not yet torn down.
- b. John is waiting for a call from Dennis Cobbler about working on the bridge repairs. He will relay that information to Kaytie to put in the minutes, and share with the club.

8.) Landon

- a. Our guest shared a bit of information about his past and his time abroad.
- 9.) Rotary Leadership Training
- a. August 5th, 2017 there will be a Rotary Great Lakes Institute Leadership 1 class at Baker College of Muskegon. Cost is \$75. For more information, see Susan Crain.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM.

