

MINUTES FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF POINT WEST MEETING HELD ON September 12, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by President Roger Gilleland.

Attendees: John Price, Paul Cunha, Sandy Thompson, Desiree Wilson, Gary Pevey, Maria O'Neil, Dominic Perrino, Joan Mather, Lori Curry, Mike Bede, Bob Berger, Greg Garcia, Dorthe Wright, Randy Burton. Guest: Mike Garcia, Chair of Grant Review Committee

Approval of the minutes from meeting held on August 8, 2023

Motion by Desiree Wilson to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Dorthe Wright.

Action: approved unanimously.

Treasurer Report

Desiree reviewed the financials:

Profit and Loss highlights: loss of \$653.97 on meals at Del Paso, received the annual \$7,500 administration fee from the PWR Foundation for the Club running the fundraisers, \$135 from members on zoom, clarification on budget for Club pins.

Balance Sheet highlights: Deferred dues: \$2,055 (Desiree is sending out reminders.) Will be transferring a portion of the \$68,254 to a new savings account. Will need approval from the Board and a resolution. Motion by Paul Cunha to open a new savings account at First Citizen's Bank with Roger Gilleland, Paul Cunha and John Price as signors. Second by Dorthe Wright.

Action: approved unanimously.

Community Investment Budget highlights: clarification on the \$3,352 for Human Trafficking being held in the Club CI budget. GRC will do the due diligence when a recipient is selected. Will be paid by the PWR Foundation. Roger noted that we have received a matching grant of \$5,000 from the district for a total of \$10,000 targeted for Human Trafficking at Katherine Johnson Middle School and Greer Elementary School.

Currently \$8,300 in the Maui fund. Will continue to take donations from Club members until the end of September. Hope to raise \$10,000. Motion by Bob Berger to approve the budget reports as presented. Second by Paul Cunha. **Action: approved unanimously.**

Mike Garcia, Grant Review Committee Chair: Update & Board approvals required

Mike advised the Board that the GRC received a total of \$91,008 in grant requests from Greer Elementary, Katherine Johnson Middle School and Encina High School. GRC members Mark Albrecht, Paul Adams and Sandy Thompson completed the due diligence. On August 30, 2023, the GRC reviewed the requests and recommendations and approved a total of \$40,265. This includes \$14,500 for Greer, \$9,000 for KJM and \$16,765 for Encina. Each individual grant was under \$5,000, except one \$7,000 grant for KJM.

Motion by Bob Berger to approve all sixteen grants submitted by the GRC for the three schools, including the one individual grant greater than \$5,000 for a total grant request of \$40,265. Second by John Price. **Action: approved unanimously.**

Maui Fire Relief, Reserve Dollars

Goal for the Maui Relief is \$10,000. Currently, the balance is \$8,300 in the CI budget as mentioned in the financial report. Motion by Paul Cunha to approve matching funds from the CIB to get to \$10,000 for Maui Relief. Second by Greg Garcia. **Action: approved unanimously.**

Brewfest 2023: Tom Engwer and Jesse Nix

Bob Berger gave the update and stated everything is a go.

Some concern regarding the signups for manpower.

Roger will send an email to members, stating we need all members to participate!

Will need help on the Beer Relay Race. Capital Race Mgt will clean up!

“What is Rotary” tent will be set up. John Price organizing.

Dominic talked about the QR code that attendees can use that is a guide to the Brewfest and vote on beers. Joanie volunteered to advise folks of this code at the entrance.

Members do not need to install fencing this year.

T- shirts for volunteers will be distributed at the September 15, 2023, Club meeting.

6:30 AM setup.

There will be an information booth.

Don Rodes and the Interact students will do the cleanup.

The photographer will be the same as last year.

All volunteers must have a ticket to enter.

Resignation

Roger advised that Charissa Gore has submitted her resignation from the Club.

Charissa was in charge of the weekly door greeters. Joanie will follow up with a replacement.

Some concern expressed that we are not informing new members of expectations and directions on how to do assigned areas of responsibility. Dorthie suggested we give new

members a list of responsibilities. Also suggested was to assign a mentor for the first year.

All agreed that we can do a better job on this and will bring this subject up at Fireside Chats next year.

Areas of Responsibility:

Club Service 1: Dominic Porrino

In addition to the information stated above on the Brewfest, Dominic advised that there will be two cornhole sets with our Rotary logo.

Veteran’s Day meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2023. Chairs: Bob Porter and Dave Abbott

Club Service 2: Joanie Mather

Samantha Hoshida and Daniel Baker, Chairs for annual Golf Fundraiser.

Tom Cicchini working on sponsorships. Scheduled for October 16, 2023, at Lincoln Hills.

Club Service 3: Greg Garcia

The Speaker’s List will be on the website. Good way to get guests to our meetings.

Speaker on September 22, 2023, will be Sean Harris regarding cyber risks.
Will have the new President of CSUS as a speaker on December 8, 2023.
Dr. Mike is doing a great job with our newsletter and Mike Bede with the Thought of the Day.

Vocational Service: Lori Curry

Lori asked Sandy Thompson to give an update on the Partners in Leadership Conference.
Date is Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at CSUS. Will have 30 students and will need 30 mentors.
Mark Albrecht, Tom Knox and Jennifer Curtsinger will be facilitators for the 11th year. Looking
for a great inspirational lunchtime speaker.
All other vocational programs on hold until after the Brewfest.

Community Service 1: Mike Bede

American River Parkway Cleanup scheduled for Saturday, September 23, 2023. Dan
Hall has emailed the details to members. The last Tuesday for Eagle Golf was September 12,
2023. Sunday, September 17, 2023, is the last tournament for athletics.
River City Food Bank schedule is back on the calendar.

Community Service 2: Bob Berger

Bob reminded all that on 9/11, 2001, he was at Larry Challis's office for a Club Board meeting,
along with Sandy Thompson, a day no one will forget!
The Grant Review Committee has a strong start this term.
The photo contest was a success with Lee Holmes doing a great job.
Bellringing: December 15, 2023
Chicken Chuck: December 20, 2023.
Not a lot of interest in the suggested new Holiday event, so far. One possibility is to
work with St. John's, as they have been a grant recipient and do a great job with homeless
women and their children.

International Service: Dorth Wright

Putting for Polio Plus scheduled for October 20, 2023, at Haggin Oaks
RYE: not a lot of interest this year. Don Rodes is working with West Campus to
Advise of this opportunity.
The 2024 Rotary International Convention is in Singapore May 25 -29, 2024.
Some members have shown an interest in attending, along with Paul. It was suggested
Paul work with Howard's Travel.
Foundation dinner is on November 18, 2023. Cost is \$80. Club will pay \$40 of this cost for
members attending.
The first meeting of the International Grant Committee is scheduled for September 26,
2023 at the Sophia.

Youth Services: Randy Burton

Randy stated we are working with great schools!
Speech contest: February 16, 2024
Randy will work with Don Rodes

Public Image: Maria O'Neil

Maria advised that our social media contact is changing. Will need to hire a new group as of October 1, 2023. Maria will meet with both the Foundation and Club officers for suggestions. The Foundation has a Sponsorship Committee as technically, they are responsible for the Fundraisers and benefit from these events. Maria stated the importance of all members putting the Clubrunner app on their phones. It makes being a Rotarian easy!

Sergeant at Arms: Gary Pevey

Gary stated that he has the best group of members in his Shipwreck Crew!

President Elect: Paul Cunha

A man of few words!

Mia Bojorquez (Tom Knox's granddaughter) is a volunteer at the Nature fest 2023.

The event is on October 8, 2023, from 10-3PM.

It would be nice to support her and the Effie Yeaw Nature Center with sponsorship, as it could be an opportunity for marketing and public image.

It was noted that Carmichael and Arden Arcade Clubs might be supporting this event and we do not want to step on their toes.

John Price will check out opportunities.

Next Board Meeting Date: October 10, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 9:04AM

Respectfully Submitted

Sandy Thompson

Club Secretary