

Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood
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Minutes from the August 13, 2018 Board Meeting

Rotary Colleagues,

Below are my notes from today's Board meeting. Please note that the link to Rotary merchandise is below. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

Rotary Board Meeting

13 August 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Neukirch at 10:07 AM

Attendees:

- Phil Lazarus
- Jon Levey
- Joe Lolli
- Paul Munk
- Ghida Neukirch
- Yesim Sonmez (arrived at 10:34 AM)
- Mike Stroz
- Magdalena Wrobel (arrived at 10:36 AM)

Guests

- District Governor Julie Clark
- Asst. Governor Don Gwinn

Pancake Breakfast

President Neukirch shared a flyer that was created promoting the Pancake Breakfast at the Taste. She posted an event on Facebook and invited everyone to share the information with their contacts. In addition, a media release was issued this morning.

A volunteer sign-up sheet will be distributed at the Club meeting today as well as flyers for members to post throughout the community.

President Elect Munk will be taking the lead to coordinate all the details about the event, namely donated items.

Board Member Lazarus requested a link to order Rotary Apparel. Rotary merchandise can be found here:

<https://shop.rotary.org/rotary-merchandise>

Welcome District Governor Julie Clark & Asst. Governor Don Gwinn

The Board welcomed District and Asst. District Governors.

DG Clark inquired about the Club's membership, programs, why Board members are part of Rotary.

The Group discussed various types of membership and programming information. For example, some clubs have two breakfast and two lunch programs; some don't offer meals but focus their meetings on special keynotes such as monthly versus weekly.

Attendees discussed the Interact Club and opportunities to engage with the high school parents and promote our Club to them.

In terms of fundraising, DG Clark noted that Clubs throughout the District struggle with fundraisers, similar to other organizations. The Hoffman Estates/Schaumburg Club coordinates an annual dinner which serves as their largest fundraiser (\$75K - 100K). The Group discussed joint programs and joint fundraising opportunities with other Clubs.

The HP/H Club excels with our TABU program, our support of the Interact Club and the service projects that we undertake. Naming rights of a building or room was discussed, supporting local programs such as a concert series, and on-going service projects.

Inquiry and recommendation for a Rotary application. The Group discussed Rotary International's Facebook page and the HP/H Facebook page.

Next Steps

- Mike Stroz will set up a Community Service Committee meeting.
- Paul Munk will follow-up with all volunteers for the Pancake Breakfast.
- The next Board meeting will be held on Monday, September 17 at 10:30 AM. The Club will not meet the first two weeks of September due to holidays.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 AM.

Ghida S. Neukirch, CM