

Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood

Board Meeting Minutes 1:00 PM, Highland Park Country Club 7/15/19

Attendance. Board members attending were: Jeff Colman, Eric Ephraim, Manu Khododad, Jon Levey, Paul Munk, Dale Mugler, Richard Stone, Len Tenner,

Board members not in attendance: Ghida Neukirch, Mike Stroz

1. Welcome and Approval of Minutes

President Munk welcomed everyone and the meeting commenced at 1:15pm. He then asked for the minutes of the prior meeting be approved. Board Member Khododad made the motion to approve and Board Member Stone seconded it. The motion was then approved unanimously.

2. Board Member Coren Election

President Munk then announced that Board Member Stroz resigned from the board over the weekend. Mr. Stroz was the chair of the Community Service Committee. President Munk had approached Club Member Scott Coren, The City Manager of Highwood, about joining the Board in this capacity, and Mr. Coren agreed to chair this committee. Board Member Ephraim made the motion to elect Mr.Coren to the Board to serve as Mr. Stroz' replacement. Member Tenner seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously to approve this change

3. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Levey had provided a Profit and Loss Statement, Balance Sheet and a Receivables Aging Report for the year ending June 30, 2019. He reviewed the statements and a brief discussion ensued. President Munk offered to contact those members who are in arrears on payment. There was also a discussion regarding Club's cash position The Board remains reasonably comfortable with the financial position of the Club.

4. Committee Reports

Charities:

Treasurer Levey reported that all charity checks were written and mailed in June. The recipients will be honored at the Club meeting on July 29, 2019.

Community Service:

The next Community Service Project will be National Night Out on August 6th. The club has a table reserved for the HP National Night Out event. Volunteers are still needed for setup and cleanup, as well for handing out literature

Fellowship:

No Report

Interact Club:

The Interact Club has secured a second sponsor, Ms. Jennifer Ginopolis, to work with Melisa Zientara. The Board agreed to provide the necessary support to keep the good momentum going that was experienced last year.

International:

President Munk reported that Member Lubenfeld has written to the club asking for the club to contact Antioch Rotary Club about a possible multi-club service trip to Puerto Rico. The Board agreed to explore this opportunity, and Board Member Colman agreed to gather the information and report back to the Board at a later date.

Membership:

Board Member Ephraim received the membership information from outgoing Board Member Joe Lolli and is beginning his efforts to increase membership.

Programing:

Board Member Stone reported that programs for the Monday lunches were set though August and he is continuing to work on presentations for later in the year.

Rotary Foundation:

Board Member Khododad reported that there is a leadership conference coming up soon for those interested in attending. President Munk asked for a list of existing members who are not at present Paul Harris fellows. Board Member Khododad is in process of gathering information and will have the list compiled in time for the next Board Meeting.

Scholarship:

No Report

5. Other Business

Continuing the discussion from June 2019 Board meeting, President Munk reported that the Club's Current lunch cost is \$26.10 with 20 person minimum while the Club is collecting \$21.00 per lunch from those that attend. After a spirited discussion, the motion was made by Board Member Colman to raise the price of lunches to \$26, effective July 1, 2019. Board Member Khododad seconded the motion, and the Board approved unanimously.

President Munk reported that the District Governor's visit to our club would be on Monday August 5th, at 10:00 AM., which will also be the Club's next Board Meeting He encouraged all Board Members to attend, as this meeting is our only opportunity to meet with District 6441 leadership where the focus is strictly on our Club.

6. New Business

President Munk updated the Board on the discussions he held with Interact Advisors about providing yard signs for Interact students just as is done for high school athletes. The signs design is yet to be finalized, but would encompass the Rotary Logo. The likely scenario has most parents of students purchasing the sign, with the Club providing the signs for families who could not afford to purchase them. Ms. Zientara has asked for a quote from a reliable vendor, and once accurate cost information is available, the Board will be in a better position to take up this project for consideration.

Board Member Tenner then informed the Board that the Club has filed an application for a grant from Highland Park Community Foundation. The application asks for financial assistance to help continue funding the Interact Club at Highland Park High School. The amount the club requested is \$6,500, roughly one half of the anticipated cost for the current year.

12. Adjourn

The board meeting was adjourned by President Munk at about 1:15pm.

Minutes Prepared by Jeff Colman, Board Member

Reviewed by: Paul Munk, President