### Minutes of a Meeting of the Board

## Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood

July 18, 2016

1. Board members attending were: Mike Babian, Larry Block, Carolyn Cerf, Neil Dahlmann, Paul Munk, Fred Orkin, Cynthia Plouché, Yesim Sonmez, and Len Tenner.

Board members not attending were: Joanne Gordon, Martha Gray, Ghida Neukirch, and Diana Sotelo.

- **2.** Minutes of 6/27/16 meeting were approved.
- **3.** Admission Fees. A discussion was held as to whether to retain or delete our \$125 admission fee for new members. The board voted 5 to 4 to retain this fee.
- **4.** Treasurer's report: As of June 30 the club had \$73,579 in its bank accounts, and \$4,155 in accounts receivable (unpaid member invoices). Cynthia & Diana are working with Donna to finalize the financial reports for our immediate past Rotary year ended on June 30.

## **5.** Committee Reports

#### Charities -

**Community Service** – Ghida Neukirch sent a written report wherein she said the committee's main responsibilities will be:

- Collaborate with Highland Park High School's Interact Club to coordinate joint events, activities and community outreach efforts
- Conduct a minimum of one joint meeting with the Interact Club
- In addition, coordinate no less than one community service project per quarter
- Support all other Rotary committees and the goals of the Board

### Fellowship –

### Fundraising -

**Interact** – The 2 teachers for the Interact Club requested that their stipend be increased to \$5,500 each for a total of \$11,000 for the coming school year, and said there will be no increase for the next school year. The board voted to approve this request.

**International** – At a previous meeting, Martha Gray reported about a request for our club to partner with a Rotary Club in Turkey to raise money to provide medical equipment for a pathology lab at a university hospital in Turkey. If this project goes ahead, the preliminary numbers are: \$5,000 from our club; \$25,000 from the Turkish club; and the balance from the 2 districts and The Rotary Foundation.

Len Tenner made a motion that our club commit to its \$5,000 provided everything else falls into place. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

## Literacy -

**Membership** – The board unanimously voted to change Barbara Lansing's membership to Rule of 85; and to change Henry Lipson's membership to Honorary.

Programs -

**Publicity** –

# Rotary Foundation -

**Scholarships** – Yesim reported the remaining balance for the students at \$1,500 each student:

Shani Kaplan-Golan\* Northwestern University

Christopher Flores Pomona College
Tiffany Stancin\* Bradley University

Nomin Jigd

Alison Perlman University of Illinois
Diana Cruz Wellesley College
Jorge Ignacio Blancas Villavicencio\* University of Illinois

**Youth Exchange** – Yesim said that Miko, our 2016-16 exchange student from Japan, is back home.

# **6.** Upcoming events:

August 5 – Golf Event

August 8 – Board Meeting with District Governor

Respectfully submitted, Neil Dahlmann, Secretary

<sup>\*</sup> Shani, Tiffany, & Jorge are CBO students.