

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board  
**Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood**  
May 15, 2017

- 1. Attendance.** a. Board members attending were: Mike Babian, Larry Block, Neil Dahlmann, Martha Gray, Paul Munk, Fred Orkin, Cynthia Plouché, Yesim Sonmez, and Len Tenner. b. Also attending were Phil Lazarus and Joe Lolli. c. Board member not attending were Ghida Neukirch, Joanne Gordon, and Diana Sotelo.

- 2. Minutes** of 4/17/2017 meeting were approved.

**3. Board Decisions & Reports**

- a. HP 150 Sesquicentennial is 2 years away. Our Rotary Club should participate.

- b. On behalf of the Charities Committee, Paul Munk requested approval of the following grants. The Board approved.

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| Family Services of Lake Co.                     | \$4,000        |                 |
| Tri-Con Childcare Center                        | \$3,000        |                 |
| HP Home Childcare Ass'n                         | \$3,000        |                 |
| HP Legal Aid Clinic                             | \$1,500        |                 |
| Family Network                                  | \$1,500        |                 |
| Mothers Trust Foundation                        | <u>\$1,000</u> |                 |
|   |                | \$14,000        |
| <u>Previously Approved at April 17 meeting</u>  |                |                 |
| Blessings in a Backpack                         | \$1,000        |                 |
| Moraine Township Food Pantry                    | \$4,800        |                 |
| Northern Illinois Food Bank                     | \$1,200        |                 |
| St. James Food Pantry                           | <u>\$1,100</u> |                 |
|   |                | \$8,100         |
| <u>Previously Approved</u>                      |                |                 |
| Winter coats                                    | \$739          |                 |
| HP Strings                                      | <u>\$1,500</u> |                 |
|   |                | <u>\$2,239</u>  |
| Total Charitable Grants for 2016-17 Rotary Year |                | <u>\$24,339</u> |

- c. On behalf of the Scholarships Committee, Yesim Sonmez requested approval of the following scholarships. The Board approved.

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| <u>Planning to attend:</u> |                 |   |
| Enrique Aguero             | \$2,500         | Illinois State University, Normal IL          |
| Grace Bernsen              | \$2,500         | University of Maryland, College Park MD       |
| Kristina Diez              | \$2,500         | Denison University, Granville OH              |
| Haley Fuoco                | \$2,500         | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign IL |
| Jasmin Mateos              | \$2,500         | <i>don't know yet</i>                         |
| Heydi Pichola              | <u>\$2,500</u>  | Lawrence University, Appleton WI              |
|                            | \$15,000        |   |
| <u>Previously Approved</u> |                 |   |
| Jonathan Reyeros-Pina      | <u>\$1,500</u>  | Illinois State University, Normal IL          |
| Total Scholarships         | <u>\$16,500</u> | for 2016-17 Rotary Year                       |

- d. Treasurer's Report. As of April 30 the club had \$111,680 in cash in our bank accounts; and \$4,490 in accounts receivable. We will be making significant distributions for scholarships and charities in May & June.
- e. TABU. Phil Lazarus & Cynthia Plouché have begun planning for the TABU visit from Northern Ireland to Highland Park next spring.
- f. Financial Literacy. Fred Orkin said the participation from HPHS students in the financial literacy program is disappointing.
- g. The Rotary Foundation. Len Tenner said he is going to encourage those who have been members for more than 1 year to become Paul Harris Fellows.
- h. Fundraising. Fred Orkin brought up the idea of having an antique car show/fundraiser next fiscal year.

#### **4. Upcoming events:**

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| Saturday May 20    | District Assembly at Oakton Community College         |
| Sunday May 21      | HP Strings Concert at HPHS                            |
| Monday May 22      | Scholarship awards and TABU presentation              |
| Sunday May 28      | Spring cleanup with Interact                          |
| Monday May 30      | Memorial Day – NO MEETING                             |
| June 10 to June 14 | RI Convention in Atlanta                              |
| Monday June 12     | Charities grants awards                               |
| Monday June 19     | Regular meeting at Yummy Bowl (NOT HPCC)              |
| Monday June 26     | Board Meeting (joint with old & new boards)           |
| Friday July 7      | Pot luck dinner at home of Paul Munk & Alice Peterson |
| Friday August 4    | Golf Outing   |

Respectfully submitted,  
Neil Dahlmann, Secretary