

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board  
**Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood**  
November 21, 2016

**1. Attendance.** Board members attending were: Larry Block, Neil Dahlmann, Martha Gray, Paul Munk, Fred Orkin, Cynthia Plouché, Yesim Sonmez, and Len Tenner. Joe Lolli also attended.

Board members not attending were: Mike Babian, Carolyn Cerf, Joanne Gordon, Ghida Neukirch, and Diana Sotelo.

**2. Minutes** of 10/31/2016 meeting were approved.

**3. President's Report.** Cynthia said the almost final results of the golf outing are: Income \$26,000± Expenses \$12,000± Net \$14,000±

As approved by the Board at the last meeting, Cynthia & Martha are working on a letter requesting year-end donations for TABU to be sent to all Club members and parents of past TABU students.

Nominating committee: Nominations are to be made at our meeting on November 28, and officers & directors should be elected at our meeting on December 5. Those elected will take office on July 1.

Cynthia checked with the Birchwood Club about possibly moving our meetings there if/when HPCC is no longer available. Unfortunately Hal Axelrod said Birchwood is closed on Mondays.

**4. Treasurer's Report.** Diana sent a written report (she was not at the meeting) that as of October 31 the Club had \$93,763 in its bank accounts, and \$9,573 in unpaid member invoices. As to the income & expense statement, Paul Munk requested details of the \$1,500 shown as Charities expenses, and Yesim requested details of the \$1,500 shown as Scholarship expenses.

## **5. Committee Reports.**

**Charities.** Len & Paul said coats were purchased & delivered HPHS students in need.

**Community Service.**

**Fellowship.** The Holiday Party will be on December 12 at the Tenners home. Details to follow.

**Fundraising.** See above President's Report.

**Interact.**

**International.** Martha now has the names of the 6 HPHS students that will be going to Northern Ireland with Cynthia and a teacher. They will depart on Tues. March 21 and return on Fri. March 31.

Yesim said the proposed project in Turkey is cancelled.

## **Literacy.**

**Membership.** Ron Davis has returned from his leave of absence, and Mike Mills asked to have his membership status changed from honorary member to active member. Both Ron & Mike are Rule of 85.

## **Programs.**

## **Publicity.**

**Rotary Foundation.** Len said that to celebrate TRF's (The Rotary Foundation's) 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, he will arrange a future meeting with spouses and a speaker from TRF. All funds raised will go to TRF.

**Scholarships.** Yesim said she is working on identifying HPHS students to attend RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) which will have two retreats in Spring 2017 (March 9-12 and April 6-9).

## **Youth Exchange.**

**6. New Business.** Fred proposed we form a group of "Friends of Rotary" consisting of people who live in Highland Park, but commute to other suburbs and the city for their livelihood and thus cannot attend our lunch meetings. This new group would hold quarterly dinner meetings. A committee (Fred, Len, Martha, Larry, & Yesim) was formed to evaluate this proposal.

## **7. Upcoming events:**

Dec 12 Holiday Party at Tenners

Dec 26 No meeting

Jan 2 No meeting

Respectfully submitted,  
Neil Dahlmann, Secretary