



Rotary Club of Old Pueblo (Tucson) Board of Directors Meeting

March 29, 2022
Teleconference via Zoom

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present: Dante Archangeli, Sam Behrend, Linda Mazon Gutierrez, Sarah LoRang (late), Beto Ranjel, and Karen Riddle.

Board Members Absent: Pat Kerr.

Guests Present: David Baker.

MINUTES

The Board of the Old Pueblo Rotary Club (Tucson) (OPRC) was called to order by its President Dante Archangeli at 12:10 p.m. Having established a quorum, the following actions were taken by appropriate motion being duly made, seconded, and adopted by a majority vote of the Board Members entitled to vote.

1. Financial Report. Club Treasurer Sarah LoRang did not have a report but provided an update regarding recent deposit transactions and quarterly invoices. Sarah also noted that name tags are needed for our new members and there is money in the budget for this purchase. Secretary Karen Riddle stated she will verify which members need name tags. Thereafter, there were no questions, further discussion, or action by the Board regarding Club finances.

2. Old Business. There was no old business for the Board to discuss or address.

3. New Business.

a. Membership.

1) R85 Membership Request. Paul DeLorme has requested for R85 membership. Pursuant to Rotary Rule of 85, when the total of a Rotarian's years of age and their years of membership in one or more Rotary Clubs is equal to or greater than 85 years, the Rotarian may be excused from attendance and meals requirements with Board approval.

- Motion: To approve Paul DeLorme's request for R85 Membership status
- Motion By: Sam Behrend
- Seconded By: Karen Riddle
- Carried or Defeated: The motion carried unanimously

Treasurer Sarah LoRang indicated she will update Paul's quarterly invoice to reflect his new R85 membership status.



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2) Secretary Karen Riddle reported that a Prospective Member Packet was provided to Stephanie Alexander via her prospective nominator Bruce Dusenberry. No further updates were available. There were no questions, further discussion, or action by the Board on this matter.

b. Training. President- Electee Beto Ranjel announced that in addition to the President-Elect Seminar Training, there will be training for Treasurers, Secretaries, and other positions. Upon inquiry, Sam reported that all OPRC positions and incumbents are up to date in the system. There were no further questions and no action by the Board on this matter.

c. Video Initiative. There was discussion about Deva Justhy's video project. As OPRC's Communication & Outreach Committee Chair, Justhy has directed the recording of members speaking about their Rotary experiences and why others should join Rotary. These testimonials will be placed on the OPRC website to help attract new members. Justhy is now seeking help to edit the recorded video clips. David Baker noted that given the time of year (i.e., near the end of the school year), Flowing Wells High School Film Club is unable to assist with editing. Some members expressed they believe the initiative is a good idea and cannot hurt the Club in recruiting new members. Additionally, enlisting the help of high school students can provide them additional experience and potentially lead to some internships with Justhy's company according to discussions with Justhy and his vision for the project. Based on the Board's discussion, Sam agreed to work with Justhy on this initiative and help with the video editing.

d. Installation Dinner. Beto announced the dinner for installing the incoming 2022-2023 OPRC officers will take place in June, and he is working with Dante on the order of events. Beto also is considering a few venues: Sand-Reckoner Vineyards, Brother John's and La Cocina, and prefers an indoor location given the weather in June. There was discussion about specific dates in June and given certain inductees' schedules, it was unanimously decided the installation dinner will take place on June 11, 2022.



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e. New Meeting Venue. Dante announced that Keith Ganske has the lead for searching for a new permanent meeting location. A new place has not been found but Keith has a meeting with on April 7, 2022. The President stated a meeting location has not been identified for the April 5th Club meeting, but the Club will meet at Flowing Wells High School on April 12th and on University High School on April 19th, and hopefully we will have a new venue after those meetings. There were no questions, discussion, or action by the Board on this matter.

f. Vocational Education and Mentoring Project. Glenn Garrett is seeking to establish a vocational educational and mentoring program to help youth develop life skills and charter alternative life paths than traditional college. Glenn is funding the concept and wants to partner with D5500. He is currently in collaboration with the University of Arizona Eller College of Management to conduct a study of his concept. David Baker is assisting Glenn in this endeavor and stated that Glenn has several meetings scheduled for April with various entities to discuss his proposal. After some discussion regarding the scale of the project and its status in the process, it was noted that no action by OPRC is required at this point.

g. International Project. The President inquired as to the status of the \$10,000.00 Shannon Marty bequeathed to OPRC and the prospective Navajo Nation project. Sarah advised that Shannon's will did not specify or restrict the use of the donation. The funds were restricted by the Foundation for use on a Navajo Nation project because Shannon was very passionate about the Navajo Nation, and she and Glenn Garrett were working on a Global Grant where she had earmarked money for such use before her death. Accordingly, the Foundation voted and approved use of the donation to help fund a project with the Navajo Nation. Give RI's status of Tribal Nations, a project with the Navajo Nation would be considered an international project which makes OPRC eligible to apply for a Global Grant. Normally funds used for international projects would result in OPRC losing its Arizona Tax Credit status; however, since the Navajo Nation is within Arizona, OPRC would not lose its tax credit status and OPRC could still receive a Global Grant for the project. Yet to engaged in this project, OPRC must partner with a Navajo Nation Rotary Club. Diane Ventura-Goodyear was last to work on the matter and was working to find a Navajo Nation club to partner with. Further, Sarah noted that funding an international project is a matter for the Foundation and the service component of the project is matter for the Club. David Baker, Foundation Treasurer, confirmed restriction of the donation and its availability whenever we embark on a Navajo Nation project. This agenda item was tabled for the next President's tenure.



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h. District Matching Grant. The President noted that when he started his tenure, he felt behind the curve with respect to applying for a District Matching Grant given its deadline. Sarah noted that applications for District Grants are due July 15th of every year. Beto is currently scheduled to assume the role of President on June 11th. Accordingly, Dante suggested starting the process now and stated he will seek a volunteer to take the lead at the next Club meeting.

4. Adjournment. After no answer to a call for any other new matters, the President adjourned the meeting at 12:57 p.m.