

Springfield Rotary Club BOARD Meeting
December 7, 2023
Sr. Solutions Conference Rm
Noon to 1:00 PM
DRAFT Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Emma, Deb, Ed, Marty, Karen, Sue, Jeff

October Minutes: Motion by Marty, seconded by Ed to accept minutes. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Penny Sale raised about \$16,000. Motion by Sue, seconded by Karen to accept report. Passed.

Highlights:

Old Business:

- Chester Club: We are doing joint project at Kurn Hattin. They have been asked to provide one speaker per month.
- Rotary District Grant: Emma will present \$2,000 to booster club for the new football bleacher project.
- 95 Books: Karen will work with Sue Dowdell to determine where books will be distributed.
- Trex Plastics Challenge: We have collected 855 pounds of plastic film towards the 1000 pounds needed for our fifth bench. So far, 2,983 pounds of plastic film has been removed from the waste stream, delivered to Shaw's Supermarket, and heading to Trex Company for recycling. The fifth bench will go to Springfield on the Move.
- Global Grant Opportunities: Motion by Emma, seconded by Karen to donate \$1,000 to Breast Milk Collection Station in Brazil. Passed.
- Meeting location: All set with Maebellines for club meetings and Fullerton Inn for socials.
- Membership
 - Motion by Marty, seconded by Ed to accept with regrets the resignation of Jessica Martin. Passed.
 - Several members have not paid their dues. We will terminate their memberships before the end of the calendar year unless we hear otherwise.
 - Craig (Emma)
 - Gulnick (Jeff)
 - Gurney (Jeff)
 - Krupinsky (Karen)
 - Smith (Karen)
 - Williams (Sue)
 - To increase the fun factor in meetings, Deb will introduce "Bowl of Life" at next club meeting.
 - Prospective members: Jeff reviewed club procedure (Member proposed to Board <if Rotary member, verify in good standing>, member attends 3 meetings, fireside chat with committee designated by President)
 - Jeff will verify standing of Alan Englander

New Business:

1. Committees: Emma will try to solicit committee memberships.
2. Donation Requests:
 1. Edgar May: motion by Emma, seconded by Karen to donate \$250. Passed.
 2. Santa Claus Club: motion by Karen, seconded by Deb to donate \$250. Passed.
 3. Northern Heritage Mills: motion by Emma, seconded by Sue to donate \$50. Passed
 4. Springfield Family Center: motion by Karen, seconded by Jeff to donate \$500. Passed.
 5. 2024 Homeless Awareness Day: need more info from Sue Dowdell.
3. Policy Questions
 1. Club will pay for speaker's lunch.
 2. Club will pay for the lunch of prospective members with a limit of 3 meetings.
4. Upcoming Programs: 12/12: Laura Wargo, DCF; 12/19: 2024 Homeless Awareness Day; 12/26: No club meeting; 1/2: no club meeting; 1/9: School Budget; 1/16: Town Budget; 1/23: Springfield Area Parent Child Center; 1/30 No club meeting; 1/31 Club social
5. NEXT MEETING: January 4, 2024 at Senior Solutions Conference Room.

Motion by Marty, seconded by Ed to adjourn. Approved.