**Minutes**

**In Attendance:** Sheila Gothmann, Maria Bavendar, Alex Falenczykowski, John, Coskran, Greg Beckstrom, Bill Jackson, John Vandermyde, Jim Eaton

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| **Agenda Item** | **Discussion Owner** |
| Meeting called to order at 5:30. Minutes from the last meeting were approved | Sheila Gothmann |
| Alex discussed the follow up regarding the Shelter Box event we helped fund a few months ago. | Alex Falenczykowski |
| The ISC budget is looking healthy and we might use some of the unallocated funds to help Judy Johnson cover the cost of materials we’d use in the South Africa project. | Sheila /Alex / Maria |
| John says that Neen is very engaged with people though quiet. She says everything is going alright. She’s registered for badminton in the spring with Edison and we want to encourage members to help her have ongoing positive experiences. She’s excited to try skiing this winter. Maria is going to ask Neen if she has a bucket list to work on while she’s here. | John Vandermyde |
| Alex and Sheila told the club about the lunch with Judy Johnson and what was identified as a possible good fit to get the club involved in something locally that helps others internationally. In the meeting the idea of providing incontinence pads was settled on as a first idea to look further into. She’s going to come speak to the club in February.  | Sheila/Alex |
| Maria’s update on South Africa included talking through where the financing is at as well as the rough timetable for a visit. It was thought of as a nice benefit that the idea of bringing homemade incontinence pads may fulfill the hands-on requirement for the grant, but we still need to see if the nursing home would even find such pads useful.  | Maria |
| Jim Nelson is currently working on a clearing a new roadblock with USAID. Outside of this one bureaucratic roadblock, things are going smoothly.  | Sheila/ Maria |
| John talked about the $1,500 that the club is giving towards a $40,000 project to help a Brazilian hospital’s infrastructure. The local club has applied for a global grant and we need to wait until it’s approved to then send the committed funds. | John Vandermyde |
| Jim and Bill went to the American Refugee Committee event and Jim read to us the organization’s preamble to their annual report. It sounded like an impressive organization with great leadership. We talked about contacting Irene Kelly about getting involved in one of their future projects. | Bill Jackson/Jim Eaton/John Vandermyde |
| Maria made mention that we should all try to come to the Foundation Event at Jax Café. | Maria |
| We decided against pursuing the international exchange of professionals program. The requirements seemed overly onerous and the deadline was very near. The vote to not pursue this was unanimous.  | Sheila |
| Bill Jackson talked about the project he’s been working on with Engineers Without Borders and how that organization fell through. The organization feels that Honduras is too dangerous, so Bill and the others found an alternative organization to help carry the banner of the project. The next thing is that we need his planning nailed down so that we can secure funding, as it sounds like a fabulous endeavor. We talked about having a small group meeting to go deeper with Sheila, Alex, and Maria.  | Bill Jackson |
| We agreed to have the next meeting at Sen Yai Sen Lek and then adjourned the meeting | Sheila |

**Action Items**

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| **Action Item** | **Owner** |
| Check with nursing home in South Africa to see if incontinence pads would be helpful, then report findings back to the club | Maria Bavendar |
| Have a special meeting with Bill Jackson to discuss the changes to his Honduras plan | Sheila Gothmann |
| We need to make sure the next meeting can be at Sen Yai Sen Lek | John Vandermyde |
| We need to ask Neen if she has a bucket list, or wants to make one, that we can help her fulfill | Maria Bavendar |  |