

NEWTON ROTARY CLUB
BOARD OF DIRERCTORS' MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Laura Camp, Alice Vigiletti, Jim Taylor, Helen Wescott, Carl Lazzaro, Todd Lattig, and Rob Rhine--by phone, at the home of Laura.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance on August 22, 2021 \$19,877.50

Receipts:

Golf Outing Tee Sign	\$150.00	
Happy Dollars	59.00	
50/50	36.00	
Polio Plus jar @ SC Day Fair	44.33	
Excess lunch \$ @PSS	<u>30.00</u>	
	+ \$319.33	\$20,196.83

Disbursements:

Hampton Twnp Raffle license	\$ 10.00	
New. Med. Center Tee sign	150.00	
Rotary Foundation Polio Plus	48.06	
Seely Flag (donation to PSS)	<u>63.00</u>	
	\$271.06	\$19,925.77

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Jim moved to approve; Todd second; all approved.

Review Projects:

FAIR BOOTH:

Fair Week, cleared approximately \$4,000. Major expense \$5,500 new freezer. Will offer repaired old freezer for sale on local Market Place site (self pick up) Alice will set up; asking price \$3,500; will take picture and measurements.

SC Day, net \$1,478, presented 20 cases of water to SC Chamber as fee.

Military Veterans Weekend, 10/1, 2, 3/2021 Newton Booth only food source, breakfast thru early dinner, Sat/Sun.

Improvements and/or repairs: ceiling lights in eating area; roll down doors for front counter. Both projects will be explored and priced and perhaps completed before next Fair, 2022.

HOMELESS PROJECT:

Denise will request donations of hats and scarfs to be brought to 10/6 meeting. Full schedule to be announced. PSS may have enough backpacks. tbd

ROTARY QUILT RAFFLE:

Application is in with Hampton Township for the sale of raffle tickets Their next meeting is first of October for approval. Then tickets can be printed.

POLIO PLUS:

Proceeds from Fair: \$170 from SC Day: \$44.00

NEWTON ROTARY FOUNDATION:

Meeting to be scheduled: members Jim, Carl, Mike, Steve, Laura

DICTIONARY DONATIONS 3RD GRADE:

Alice will contact Newton, Hampton, Fredon, Andover to get permission to distribute and the number of students

Alice will arrange a Vocational "sharing" of members at future In-Service meetings. A chance to explain what business you are in or have retired from.

Flag, pole and stand, approved to be donated to PSS for large gathering classroom.

Picture and article in NJH naming Newton Rotary participation in PSS Back to School project shared. It was written in error by PSS. This was a Branchville Rotary project only. Laura expressed apology to Pres. Ellie (Branchville Rotary) for us getting credit where none was due!

Suggestions from a member was presented to Board for consideration.

NOTE: suggestion in italics; texted reply from Pres in (); comments at Board meeting—ljc.

#1 *Table set up at meetings.* (Be aware that the center of the room must remain open and clear for inside doorway to exit doorway because of fire inspector regulations.) I hope last meeting set-up answered any objections—ljc.

#2 *No one person should have sole responsibility for operation and finances of any major activity, such as the Fair.* (All finances of the Fair booth are nightly counted and deposited by Nancy Morrissey. Then all expenses/bills are presented to Larry Condit who pays, records, and controls the funds in a special tax exempt account before issuing the “profits” to the regular Club Treasurer, Helen Wescott. Total reports are presented to the President, Jim Taylor and Carl Lazzaro and shared with the Board of Directors and then the Club.) This system of checks and balances has been in place for years.—ljc

#3. *Suggest that a new Director be appointed to the Board—Ombudsman—responsible for representing the club members to the Board.* (It has been my experience that members have always been free to share ideas, suggestions, criticisms, or whatever, directly to the President or any one of the Board members to be considered and acted upon when necessary.) A full discussion of the Board followed. Agreed unanimously not to create another Board position of Ombudsman.—ljc