

Rotary Board Meeting November 16, 2021

President Marie Pyko called the November 2021 board meeting to order at 4:02pm. Members present were Marie Pyko, Colleen Jamison, John Wall, Lee Morris, Karen Streeter, Cody Fredrickson, Glenda DuBoise, Bob Clawson, Steve Knoll, Vince Frye, Allison Marker, Joan Wagnon, and Debra Ricks.

Steve Knoll moved and Glenda DuBoise seconded approval of the October 2021 board minutes.

Membership: The board discussed four applications for new club membership. Lee Morris moved to accept the four new members. Vince Frye seconded. All four new members were approved. John Wall noted a couple of items on the membership application that could be improved - indication of pre or post paid meals and the dues amount of \$207 when it should be \$217.

Determination of leave of absence, honorary memberships, and resignations:

President Pyko noted that we currently do not have bylaws that are any “younger” than 2007 and probably need updated so there is still an attendance requirement. Current bylaws state only that the board determines what constitutes a leave of absence. Steve Knoll noted that a leave of absence needed to be written application. Debra Ricks noted that even on a leave of absence a member is still counted for Rotary International and would owe dues. With respect to honorary members, Debra Ricks noted that they do not pay dues to the club but they DO pay dues to Rotary International. Normally honorary members are long-time active Rotarians. President Pyko also noted that with respect to resignations, she’s experienced people who’ve just stopped paying dues and considered that a resignation. Karen Streeter suggested placing that information on the membership application. Other board members suggested that club contact should be initiated after a member has missed two quarters of dues.

Finance: John Wall discussed a profit and loss comparison for 2021 vs. 2020 and noted that we are in a better position for 2021 vs 2020. Steve Knoll suggested that a simple P&L statement be sent to the president prior to the monthly board meeting. John also noted that we are also in 2021 ahead of 2020 in terms of assets, especially since at this time last year district dues hadn’t been paid as of this time and dues have been paid in 2021. President Pyko stated that she would attach P&L and balance sheets to monthly agenda emails. Debra Ricks noted that last year we did not bill dues until September when we billed for dues only and this year billed for dues & meals. President Pyko noted that Steve Knoll and John Wall are looking at new badges with a cost of approximately \$400. Steve Knoll moved to adopt the new badge program with the associated cost. Karen Streeter seconded the motion. Motion carried. President Pyko noted that the board

had been discussing purchasing additional AV equipment. Steve Knoll has received bids and believes that we are in the neighborhood of \$3,000 - \$4,000 for equipment upgrades. Discussion ensued on whether the board wished to invest this type of money for this type of equipment. How long would we use it? How long do we intend to continue the hybrid experience? Steve Knoll noted this would broaden the ability to bring in a speaker remotely that we otherwise would not have. Steve Knoll noted the new equipment is intended to better integrate the zoom and in-person purchase. Several board members expressed concern about the cost. The board decided to continue to explore receiving bids from vendors as possible.

Social Justice Committee: Glenda DuBoise stated the committee was working on a survey to increase club membership.

Rotary Foundation: mMeeting December 2. Joan Wagnon noted that there would be member recognition and look at what the foundation has done in the past and what it would do in the future. The Seaman HS show choir will be performing.

Social: Allison Marker stated that the social would be held Thursday, December 16 in the evening either at the Cyrus Hotel in the Vanguard Ballroom or in the 6th Ave Ballroom at 6th and Kansas. There will be a tacky Christmas sweater contest and prizes.

Joan Wagnon moved to adjourn, Debra Ricks seconded. Meeting adjourned 5:09pm.