



**ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Monday April 25, 2022, at 4:00 P.M.  
President Maria Harlow, Presiding**

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Office</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>
Maria Harlow	President	X	
Kathryn Nelson	Immediate Past President	X	
Chris Serface	Vice-President elect	X	
Greg Rolsma	Vice-President	X	
Cindy Grady	Secretary 2019-2021	X	
DeAnne Hamilton	Treasurer 2021-2023	X	
Emily Mendez-Bryant	Board Member 2021-2024 Term		X
Tim Daly	Board Member 2021-2024 Term	X	
Diane Tilstra	Board Member 2021-2024 Term		X
Diane Kelleher	Board Member 2019-2022 Term	X	
Christina Turner	Board Member 2019-2022 Term	X	
John Schneider	Board Member 2019-2022 Term	X	
Gil Quante	Board Member 2019-2022 Term	X	
Sherri Stanton	Board Member 2020-2023 Term	X	
Jeremy Simler	Board Member 2020-2023 Term		X
Troy Christensen	Board Member unfilled term 2021-2023		X
Clay Zhang	Board Member 2020-2023 Term	X	
	Guests		
Miriam Barnett	Incoming Board member 2022-2025 Term		X
Whitney Grisaffi	Incoming Board member 2022-2025 Term		X
Corey Hjalseth	Incoming Board member 2022-2025 Term	X	
Linda Vaught Disney	Club Administrator	X	

**Meeting called to order at 4:02 PM. A quorum was present.**

**CONSENT AGENDA: Greg Rolsma moved, and Chris Serface seconded to approve the minutes of March 28, 2022, board meeting and Executive Committee minutes from April 12, 2022. All in favor, motion carried.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** DeAnne Hamilton reported on 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Thinks going well. Joy is working on Foundation report. PGG met goal. Auction, as of March, is at \$161 including \$42K Raise the Paddle. Member dues up by \$11k. New members up to budget plans, and meeting sponsorships are good. Both 990's just in. Committee asked to look over and get back to Maria with questions by Monday. Will let the EC pass it after questions dealt with. Club Administrator is an officer.

**ADMINISTRATIVE WORK**

**Club Admin:** Tacoma Arts Live will own Armory, current building Rotary office is in. Current lease is a good deal according to Harrison Laird. It includes 3% increase in rent per year. **Gil Quante moved, and Kathryn Nelson seconded to accept another five-year lease for this building. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Membership Report:** Greg Rolsma reported 262 active members with 6 honorary. Pipeline includes one waiting for introduction, two other proposed. One pulled out of club.

**Policies and Procedures:** Discussion on guidelines for honorary memberships and how to update. Chris Serface asked Tacoma 8 has looked at what other large clubs do as discussion went on. Maria Harlow will reach out to Portland and come back with updates. One suggestion was to have a section for non-Rotarians as well as one for Rotarians.

**Grant Writer Update:** Seth Kaplowitz has stepped down, so Tacoma 8 needs the Grant Writer position filled. Kathryn Nelson volunteered to step in and help. Maria has communicated with the Lakewood Club about doing a local or global grant for next year. Discussion to get grant request into RI July 9 when season opens as this year international is making an exception and letting do clubs do projects together. Barry Benson had idea to do pre-school supplies for Africa (international rather than local). **Kathryn asked board if we could apply at district**

**level to do this with multiple clubs. Gil moved, Kathryn seconded, board approved to apply with multiple clubs.**

**Covid Protocols for meetings:** Agreement to keep meetings approved for all vaccinated able to attend. Masks are at each member's own comfort level.

### **COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND LIAISON REPORTS (as needed):**

**Grants:** Packet included 7-page recap of grants. 19 applications in second round. 14 recommended get paid (70% of those applied). \$89 spent in round 2, \$21 spent in round 1. Entire budget has been spent. Approval asked for awarding of those grants. **John Schneider motioned approval, Kathryn Nelson seconded, all approved, motion passed.** Gil Quante also expressed interest in joining committee.

**International Services:** Kathryn reviewed the International Services Rainwater Harvesting System Grant Request asking for approval for it. **Cindy Grady made motion to approve, Gil Quante seconded, all in favor, approval passed.**

**Projects:** John Schneider reviewed current projects (two both Friday and Saturday...EFN, Titlow3, Citizens Healthy Bay, Wainwright Rain Garden) Had 24 volunteers celebrating Earth Day. Courage Classic will be bringing proposal to Projects committee. EFN needs tuna fish, so Gil asked to do a Tuna drive in the month of May trying to collect 2022 cans of tuna. **John Schneider moved, Cindy Grady seconded approval for the tuna drive, all approved, motion passed.**

**DEAI:** Maria received a recommendation from Scholarship committee about adding "race" question on application. Need to reach out to non-traditional diverse schools, letting students know these scholarships exist.

**Auction:** Cindy Grady gave updates that goal was \$250K, coming in currently at about \$240K with still \$16K available to sell in the "Buy It Now" experiences. Auction committee wants these to continue to be marketed to the club as dates get closer. Some may get canceled. 4 Way Taste was canceled due to lack of interest...should regroup how this idea is marketed next year.

**Classification:** No report

**Communications:** Need another co-chair...Jeremy Simler needs help. Asking both Libby Catalinich and Hunter George to see if interest.

**Engagement:** Orientations up to date. Will be doing assigned tables May 5, 2022, meeting.

**Fellowship:** Michelle Roberts invited the Board to El Toro for the 5/5/22 Thursday at 5 gathering

**Finance/PGG:** Committee gave blessings on financials for third quarter. Foundations/PGG goal of \$102K reached. TRF \$37K; RI \$28K; Polio \$18K; Projects \$18K

**Interact:** Jace planning EFN letter carrier activity.

**Literacy:** Connecting with projects on installation of little libraries.

**Major Project:** Meets monthly; coming up with ideas to get ranked in voting. Maria working with Jackie Flowers.

**Military:** Tim Daly had nothing to report.

**Programs:** Gil Quante reported calendar for this year is basically done. Working on dates for next year which are beginning to be filled. Calendar is on Google drive so accessible.

**Scholarships:** Chris Serface reported interviews are happening now. Could use more people on the committee. They currently have 32 applications, budget of \$50K.

**Vocational Service:** Business Expo is set for May 12, 2022, at the Tacoma Convention Center. Tables are \$150; currently have 12 tables sold. Lunch is not included in the table price.

**Welcome** Heather Faverman is co-chairing with Emily Mendez-Bryant.

**Youth Exchange:** Need officer for group. Bill Duppenhaler will cover for the interim. Have two inbound students. Need two host families/counselors.

**Good of the Order:**

Jim Harris is turning 94 this week...request made to have a cake for him. Maria agreed to have it announced during True Confessions and the desert will be a birthday cake in celebration.

**Meeting adjourned 5:42 pm**

**Next Board meeting: Date Monday, May 23, 2022, 4:00 – 5:30 pm, Rotary Office**

**Recorded by: Cindy Grady, Secretary**