

## ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8 BOARD MEETING MINUTES Monday August 27, 2018 at 4:00 P.M.

# President Linda Kaye Briggs, Presiding

Board Member	Office	Present	Excused
Linda Kaye Briggs	President 2018-2019	Х	
Carol Duris	President Elect 2018-2019		X
Mark B Anderson	Immediate Past President	Х	
Cindy Niemi	Secretary 2018-2020		X
Jeremy Fogelquist	Treasurer 2017-2019		X
Jeff Albers	Board Member 2016-2019 Term	X	
Marsha Burns	Board Member 2016-2019 Term	X	
Stacey Ogle	Board Member 2016-2019 Term		Х
Greg Rolsma	Board Member 2016-2019 Term		Х
Jan Brazzell	Board Member 2017-2020 Term	X	
Bryan Flint	Board Member 2017-2020 Term	X	
Jim Henderson	Board Member 2017-2020 Term	X	
Harrison Laird	Board Member 2017-2020 Term	Х	
Libby Catalinich	Board Member 2018-2021 Term	X	
Jace Dwinell	Board Member 2018-2021 Term	X	
Daryl Hembry	Board Member 2018-2021 Term	X	
Carol Webster	Board Member 2018-2021 Term		Х
	Other Attendees		
Kathi Willis	Club Administrator	X	
Barry Benson	World Community Services Committee	X	

Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM. A quorum was present.

#### A. CONSENT AGENDA

Note: The Consent Agenda will be approved in one motion, with discussion only on those items where there are questions or changes. Otherwise, we will vote to accept the material as noted.

- Minutes of the July 23, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting
- Executive Committee Minutes, August 14, 2018

Bryan Flint moved, and Jan Brazzell seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Motion carried**. President Linda Kaye presented Director pins to Libby Catalinich, Jace Dwinell and Daryl Hembry.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Treasurer Jeremy Fogelquist was unable to be present, but the Treasurer's report information as presented in the Board packet was accepted. Mark Anderson moved, and Jeff Albers seconded. **Motion carried** 

#### **CLUB AND BOARD INFORMATION**

President Linda Kaye then provided background information on the Thursdays at 5pm meeting on the second Thursday of every month. At the Large Club Conference she and Club Admin. Kathi attended in January in Little Rock, many clubs talked about moving to this type of a meeting once a month as a way of engaging younger members and those members who cannot attend a lunch meeting. She mentioned that this was also discussed at two or three monthly board meetings, as well as monthly executive committee meetings. An e-mail was sent to President Linda Kaye requesting that a "formal" board vote be taken to approve the move from meeting at noon to 5-7pm, on the second Thursdays' of the month.

Past President Mike Dunbar has taken on the responsibility of identifying member businesses to host these. After the August 9<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 5pm at KBTC, Mike sent a survey and found the results overwhelmingly positive. The feedback included the desire for more and heavier food, ensure and remind parking options, ensure the program is not too long or hands-on project not too long, due to a desire to mingle/network more. Jeff Albers moved, and Jan Brazzell seconded, to approve continuing Thursday's at 5pm this Rotary year. Motion carried. Because of prior scheduling conflicts at the Tacoma Yacht Club, the club will need to do offsite meetings on November 29, December 6, and April 4, 2019.

Past President Mark provided an update on the **Bylaws Task Group**. He said that in 2016, the Council on Legislation, that Rotary International mandated that all clubs adopt the 'model' Club Constitution. The last Club Constitution for Tacoma #8 was last approved in 2008. He prepared a resolution which could be voted on at the September 24<sup>th</sup> board meeting to approve adopting the new Club Constitution, as provided by Rotary International. Some members signed the resolution during the meeting. Past President Mark will follow up with the 5 remaining board members needed for their signatures.

Past President Mark then talked about the progress on developing a new **Strategic Plan** for the club. His goal is to have it completed by December 31, 2018. He has already met with Past President Jim Harris, and Jan Brazzell and Cindy Niemi said they want to help. Mark is also reaching out to the Past Presidents. He also hopes to get participation from newer members. He plans to send out the current Strategic Plan to the board and said it will be a spring board for the new process.

Club Administrator Kathi then talked about the **Venue Transition**. She and member Robin Echtle have been in discussion with the Tacoma Yacht Club on the various details prior to our move on November 1. At the August 23 meeting, two members from the Yacht Club including the General Manager, attended the meeting. Kathi also provided a brief update on the **Office Lease** and said George Pilant was working on the process and contacting the Landmark about the desire to have us continue to rent office apace and to use what they tell us on monthly rent, as a benchmark.

President Linda Kaye then led a discussion on the subject of Quarterly Drives. She said she and President Elect Carol Duris have been working on this area for the past six months. She said that the Projects Committee has wanted to continue to do quarterly ask for donations for various projects: peanut butter, diapers, spring break food baskets, the giving tree, etc. She described how Rotary International defines Projects for a club. She has worked with the Projects Committee to come up with a description for the committee. She said that other club committees come to the board seeking approval for expenditures of funds (Scholarships, World Community Services, etc.), and the Projects Committee would now be adhering to this practice for final board approval for their fund expenditures. She described how the Projects Committee has had the practice of asking for money and gave the history of how it has evolved. Various board members shared their feelings on this area including, Bryan Flint, Daryl Hembry, Jim Henderson, Jan Brazzell and Mark Anderson. Past President Mark said that the auction is really one large project. There was some talk about the question that the club faces every so often which is "Do we prefer to be engaged in one large project, or many smaller projects. Jan Brazzell mentioned there was not a consensus on this last time the membership was surveyed, and she doubts there will be again. There was also a discussion of a survey that could be sent out to the membership not only on Project size preferences, but also on the impact of funding larger or smaller grants from the Grants Committee. Bryan Flint said he would support a cessation of quarterly asks by the Projects Committee. A show of hands showed unanimous support for this.

### **AVENUE CHAIR REPORTS**

**Membership.** Pillar Chair Jan Brazzell then reported on the membership actions taken by the Executive Committee at its last meeting, approving the transfer from the Bellevue Club of Betty Capestany, proposed by Libby Catalinich, with Economic Development for Pierce County; and Pat Nagle, proposed by Cindy Niemi, a returning member; and also proposed by Cindy, Byron Okutsu, business management Multicare; and Lin Zhou, Bates Technical College President, proposed by Maria Harlow; and as a family membership, Realtor Sharon Benson, proposed by Barry Benson. These all were approved by Classification and the Executive Committee and forwarded for final board approval. Jan Brazzell moved, and Mark Anderson seconded approval. **Motion carried**.

**International service**. Barry Benson, representing the World Community Services Committee then presented two grant requests form WCS. The first one was money for three rural communities in Bolivia, as part of the ETTA Project and in conjunction with the Sirari Rotary Club in Santa Cruz Bolivia as well as the Poulsbo, South Kitsap, Kingston and Nanimo clubs. The monies requested, \$5,000 would be for the installation of composting latrines and helping with sanitation practices. The second grant request is a joint project with Tacoma Sunrise Rotary, \$7,000 to provide Rachel plus units and charger feeds for 40 tablets. If Tacoma Sunrise gets the District Grant by January 1, 2019, WCS would support this program for \$7,000. He also mentioned if this grant is 100% approved/implemented that \$3,500 will come back to our club from the District. Mark Anderson moved, and Jim Henderson seconded. **Motion carried**.

Pillar Chair Libby Catalinich reported on the Fundraising Committee work. Over \$40,000 has been donated so far and donors continue to send in their PGG forms. The Committee will have their first meeting on September 6 and has set up a schedule for presenting Art Wickens and Paul Harris Fellowships. President Linda Kaye has sent personal notes on the thank you notes sent from the Fundraising Committee to all donors. Also Annie Ramirez and Jim Henderson will be working to identify students from local Universities to apply for District Scholarships (formerly Ambassadorial Scholarships). She also said the kick off meeting for this year's auction was held and it would be on March 30, at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center. Various committee chairs for the auction have been identified.

**New Generations**. Pillar Chair Jace Dwinell reported that the UW-T Rotaract Club is now not recognized as an active chapter from RI, and there would be a new counselor at Life Christian for their Interact Club. It is hoped that some sort of continuing Rotaract Club with an emphasis on veterans can be set up at UW-T.

**Vocational Services**. Pillar Chair Jeff Albers said it is hoped a visit to JBLM can be arranged as part of the Vocational Services Committee.

#### **PRESIDENTIAL CITATION**

Then President Linda Kaye turned the discussion to how the club can achieve a Presidential Citation for work for the 2018-2019 Rotary Year. On **Support and Strengthen Club**, achieve a net gain of one member, maintain and retention of current and new members, achieve a net gain of female members, and have at least 60% of club members report birthdays in Club Runner. Jan Brazzell will report on the progress in these areas. On **Enhance Public Image & Awareness**, post successful club projects on Rotary Showcase. Daryl Hembry will report on this. On using Rotary brand guidelines and templates, Stacey Ogle will report on this. And on sponsoring Youth Exchange Student on RYLA participation, Jace Dwinell will report on this. On **Increase Humanitarian Service, Sponsor an Interact Club**, Jace Dwinell will report on this. On **Increase Number of Members involved in Service Projects**, Bryan flint will report on this. And on **Increase awareness on Polio eradication**, Jim Henderson will report on this.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 24 4:00-5:30pm, Ionic Room (4<sup>th</sup> Floor)