Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM. at the Rotary Office at the Armory. A quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

Note: The Consent Agenda was approved in one motion, with discussion only on those items where there were questions or changes.
- Minutes of the October 28, 2019 Board of Directors meeting
- Minutes of the December 3, 2019 Executive committee

Jan motioned, Libby seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Motion Carried.**

ADMINISTRATIVE WORK.

Membership Reports. **266 members.** Harrison reported 3 members in the pipeline that have been approved by the Executive Committee: Sarah Allen, Kathleen Sande, and Emily Mendez-Bryant.

Kathryn motioned to approve membership as presented, Gil Quante seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Current there is no one in pipeline. Harrison asked that we spread the word. Kathryn mentioned that District is offering a half day seminar on membership recruitment in March. There were also suggested names listed from firesides.

110 Year Anniversary. Kathryn reminded us about the anniversary and pointed out RSVP cards and Save the Date cards. We will be marketing this at other clubs, especially those we have sponsored.

Annual Awards:
- **Lifetime achievement** – Kathryn Nelson shared the committee selected one out of 7 nominees on Dec. 10. They will be revealed at the Anniversary celebration.
- **Rotarian of the Year** – Linda Kaye shared that nominations will begin on Dec. 19 through January 23. This is for a Rotarian providing exemplary service. They will be revealed Feb. 27th.

Approval of policies/procedures – Kathryn shared that the next policy we will cover will be on reserves.

COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND LIAISON REPORTS
Request from WCS – PE Kathryn Nelson presented an opportunity to ask for $3,500 for a total of $40K (with match), collaborating with Rotary Club of Parkland Spanaway to support a dying Fishing village in Kenya. Youth have to go to the city for jobs. Funding will pay for multiple things like a drip irrigation system that they can use for new cash crops which will, in turn, fund an occupation school for these young people to have a supporting career in their own village. Rotary International (RI) will oversee the funding and we will not give the money until RI approves. Linda Kaye motioned to approve. Jan seconded. Motion Carried.

Other liaison reports on how their committees are supporting the Strategic Plan

Foundations - Jim Henderson: PGG exceeded expectations. Over $75K ($55K last year) raised and 56% participation rate with goal of 75%. They are doing great outreach and the committee has strong members.

Grants - Carol Webster reported that at the end of January there will be one larger grant awarded for $25K, which must be matched.

Literacy - Carol Webster shared there is nothing to report.

Projects – Diane shared the Giving Tree had 61 participants, $5K in donated gifts and gift cards; Toys for Kids had 15 Rotary volunteers; Bell Ringing has 20 people signed up. EFN had 15 participants and they packed 1,000 break bags. Next in-meeting project event in March will be in cooperation with American Red Cross – bags for vets. June 18th is Santa for Seniors working with Lutheran Community Services. Palmer Scholars asked for volunteers to help read applications for their scholars. Timing was tight this year, but we might be able to do more as a group next year – more to come. In June we will paint a house through Paint Tacoma Beautiful, John Schneider co-leader with Diane.

RYE - Cindy/Carol reported Gabe and Nico are in their second home. They will discuss the strategic plan at the next meeting.

Auction - Christina reported that the auction committee is having their first meeting this Wednesday.

Orientation - Linda Kaye shared the Orientation Committee is now aligned with the strategic direction

Interact - Jake shared the Interactors did Trick or Treat so Tacoma can eat and collected 2,400 lbs. of food. They also participated in the break bag event at EFN and Bell ringing at Fred Meyer. They meet every other Tuesday at noon. Kathryn suggested highlighting Interact’s work in our Gearshift and social media.

Youth Protection Training Plan – Kathryn reminded us to take the training. It took 20 minutes and covers all kinds of things like how not to overstep boundaries and what to do if the youth reveals info of abuse to you.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Kathryn shared that club wants to be prepared to request a District grant for $7K in 2020 and has asked committees to consider sharing ideas with her.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Next Board meeting: Date January 27, Rotary Office 1001 S Yakima, Ste 9A.