

# ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8 BOARD MEETING MINUTES Monday March 20, 2017 at 4:00 P.M. President Becky Fontaine, Presiding

Board Member	Office	Present	Excused
Becky Fontaine	President 2016-2017	X	
Mark B. Anderson	President Elect 2017-2018	Х	
Barry Benson	Immediate Past President	Х	
Jim Henderson	Secretary 2016-2018	X	
Jeremy Fogelquist	Treasurer 05/16/2016 to 06/30/2017	X	
Peter Carlstrom	Board Member 2014-2017 Term	Х	
Jim Merritt	Board Member 2014-2017 Term	X	
Melanie Rushforth	Board Member 2014-2017 Term	X	
Kirsten Willis	Board Member 2014-2017 Term	X	
Jeff Albers	Board Member 2015-2018 Term	Х	
Maria Harlow	Board Member 2015-2018 Term	X	
Tracy Peacock	Board Member 2015-2018 Term		X
Elliot Stockstad	Board Member 2015-2018 Term		X
Marsha Burns	Board Member 2016-2019 Term	X	
Ali Criss	Board Member 2016-2019 Term	Х	
Stacey Ogle	Board Member 2016-2019 Term	X	
Greg Rolsma	Board Member 2016-2019 Term	Х	
	Other Attendees		
LindaKaye Briggs	President Elect Nominee		Х
Kathi Willis	Club Administrator	X	

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM. A quorum was present.

**A.** <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>: It was moved by Mark Anderson to accept the Consent Agenda. Stacey Ogle seconded the motion. **Motion passed.** 

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

- Minutes of the February 27, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting
- Executive Committee Minutes

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Jeremy Fogelquist presented the Financial Report. Jeremy reviewed the Foundation Report and the figures from Union Bank and the Investment Account realized a gain of \$35K from the last report. He asked how board members liked the new reporting format. Kirsten Willis inquired if having a 'virtual store' for Tacoma #8 apparel could be a revenue stream. He said that it looks like the income from the Business Expo will be down from what is budgeted. Several members wondered if having a Business Expo each year made sense and if we should like at a different format from what we have been doing. President Elect Mark said he would review this for next Rotary year. The Expo is part of Vocational Service and perhaps reframing how the Expo is conducted is worth looking at. Kirsten Willis asked if plans are in place to spend the bulk of the 'Raise the Paddle' money from last year's auction. Other board members urged President Becky to proceed with allocating that money in the current board year. Becky said she would do that and asked the members of the Executive Committee to stay after the board meeting to address this. Jeremy then went over areas of the Fundraising and Operating Budgets. He said that invoices for the A/R accounts would be emailed out to members on a monthly basis in the future.

Kirsten Willis moved to accept the financial report, and was seconded by Jim Henderson.

The Financial Report was accepted as presented,

### **MEMBERSHIP ITEMS**

Chair Greg Rolsma reported no new members in the pipeline at this time.

# WCS COMMITTEE GRANTS

Past President Barry Benson and member of the World Community Services Committee, then presented two grants which the WCS Committee has voted to support and where Tacoma #8 will pair with other Rotary Clubs. The first would be to support a matching grant to provide drinking water in Mexico. The project would pair with the Mazatlán East Rotary Club and provide \$600 from the WCS Budget to support the project and continue providing potable water for 25 poor schools in Mazatlán and the surrounding area. Barry Benson moved that the board approved this expenditure from the WCS budget. Jim Henderson seconded the motion. **Motion carried.** 

Barry then moved that the Board approve an expenditure of \$5,000 from the WCS budget to join with the Rotary Clubs of Lake Union (Seattle) and the Addis Ababa-West Rotary Club to provide clean drinking water and sanitation for schools in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Stacey Ogle seconded it. **Motion carried.** 

## **CLUB AND BOARD INFO**

Jim Henderson provided an update on the **Bylaws Review**, including two meetings with Past President Jeff Rounce. President Elect Mark and member Stephen Deal are joining for future meetings on the discussion. Among the areas to be reviewed are Nominations and Elections, Membership and Attendance. The Bylaws can be revised at a regular club meeting, provided the membership receives written notification of the proposed changes 10 days in advance of the regular club meeting. At the club meeting where the Bylaws would be voted on, there is a 2/3 YES vote required of the active members present at the meeting.

Mark Anderson reminded everyone of the **May 4 – 6 DTA and Conference**. He said there is some money available in the budget to help defray the cost of registration for those board members who may attend.

Kirsten Willis reminded everyone of the March 21 celebration for the Pierce County Rotary Clubs for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Rotary International Foundation.

The board then discussed what the Auction Basket would be for the Board and it was agreed that a Sky Diving package to include a stay in Centralia at the Olympic Club and dinner, and perhaps a gas card would be what the Board would do for this year's auction. It was decided that each Board member would contribute \$50 for this.

Becky reminded everyone of the March 30 Offsite meeting at the LaQuinta Inn to test it out as possible future meeting location. Advance Reservations are required and the meal cost is \$25.

President Elect Mark said he is reviewing if the current day of the week and time for Board meetings is still preferred, and wants to review and update the strategic plan for the club.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm

Next Board Meeting: Monday April 17, 2017 4:00 to 5:30 PM, in the 4th Floor Doric Room