



**ROTARY CLUB OF TACOMA #8
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday May 18, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.
President Elect Kathryn Nelson, Presiding**

Board Member	Office	Present	Excused
Carol Duris	President 2019-2020		X
Linda Kaye Briggs	Immediate Past President	X	
Kathryn Nelson	President Elect 2020-2021	X	
Kim Bedier	Vice-President	X	
Cindy Niemi	Secretary 2018-2020	X	
Robin Echtle	Treasurer 2019 -2021		X
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	X	
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	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	
	Other Attendees		
Sherri Stanton	Incoming Board Member		X
Clay Zang	Incoming Board Member	X	
Jackie Farrar	Incoming Board Member		X
Chris Serface	Incoming Board Member	X	
Cindy Grady	Secretary Elect	X	
Maria Harlow	Vice President Elect	X	
Kathi Willis	Club Administrator	X	
Joy Vivar-Beeks	Club Book Keeper	X	

Virtual meeting (due to Governor Inslee's order Stay Home. Stay Healthy. Re COVID-19 virus) called to order at 4:05 PM. 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 April 20, 2020 Board of Directors meeting
- Minutes of the May 12, 2020 Executive committee

Kathryn motioned, Carol seconded. Diane had a change to Board minutes that she was not planning to attend District Training. **Motion Carried.**

ADMINISTRATIVE WORK

2020-21 Proposed Operating Budget – Notable changes was the auction budget to \$140K, decrease in RYE budget due to no inbound students in the coming year. Justification for the auction is \$60K from sponsors, \$60K for raise the paddle, and other auction activities of \$20K.

Jan motioned, Linda Kaye seconded to approve the budget as proposed. **Motion Carried.**

990 Status. Kathryn shared that the 990 was reviewed by the Executive Committee with Jeremy Fogelquist. He shared it was comparable to prior years. Board members are to let Kathi know if they are interested in reviewing. Exec. Comm. recommended it is ready to be filed.

Membership Report. 270 members with 8 in the pipeline. Harrison shared the committee is checking with the 8 in the pipeline to see if they want to be introduced virtually or not. Maria shared that she and Brien are scheduling orientation meetings.

COVID-19 Relief Fund – Linda Kaye shared that the Past Presidents are very proud of this gift. It went from a suggestion of raising \$25K to \$100 to \$110K. Ultimately \$114,284 was raised and sent to United Way of Pierce County for the Pierce County Connected fund. We had 98 donors

COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND LIAISON REPORTS

Requests from Scholarships. Diane Kelleher shared that all the students were interviewed via zoom. There were 3 applicants receiving \$5K scholarships each. Many of the applicants already knew what Rotary was about. In total, \$52K in scholarships was recommended. Considering a Rotary zoom meeting with Scholarships as the main program so we can meet the 20 recipients. Kathi advised that we were looking at a few scholarship recipients to attend the meeting on 5-28 when Nico and Gabe present their year. The Board felt that this was deserving a full meeting. Kim will see if the meetings of 6-11 or 6-18 are still available.

Carol motioned, Linda Kaye seconded to approve scholarship awards as presented by the Scholarship Committee for a total of \$52,000. **Motion Carried.**

Other Liaison Reports

Projects - Gil reported on the hero lunches. A total of \$4,450 was donated for the lunches, of which \$1,200 came from Rotary 8 (\$1K from the budget and \$200 from a non-member). So far we have provided 7 weeks of lunches (350 lunches) and will continue until the money is expended. 8 Rotarians supported the potato distribution project at that Tacoma Dome. Kathryn asked about the Rotary Daffodil Dash challenge. First annual MultiCare Daffodil Dash is May 23, 8:00 a.m., in the Ruston area. It will be virtual and on-site. Diane Kelleher to gather the details. It will benefit organizations that the Piece County Health Dept. has identified as an area of focus.

PGG – Jim Henderson shared that the same committee members will serve moving forward under the leadership of Rusty Hersey and Kirstin Willis. They are looking forward to the challenge.

Fellowship – Maria shared that Michelle held a zoom social. Michelle is thinking of a social distance walk or social distance gathering and zoom social.

RYE – Carol is inviting people to do a goodbye drive-by celebration for Gabe, May 30, 4:45 at St. Patrick's church parking lot. It's a chance to share our gratitude and well-wishes to Gabe before he leaves June 1.

DTVZ Feedback, May 16 – Kathryn shared that the District Conference Virtual Training was May 16th. Feedback from attendees: Maria took a workshop on public image and membership. She learned ways to have a more outward look for our cub through Club runner and paint a picture of a more diverse, fun membership with great service. Jim Henderson attended digital communication and strategies. Cindy Grady took the Instagram class and felt it was a good one. Lots of clever ideas from the fundraising class. Carol Webster took the RYE classes where they featured inbound students from a couple countries. She felt confirmed that we are doing a great job counseling our RYE students. Kathryn shared an idea of keeping in touch with exchanges students from the past and feature something at our meetings on each one. Linda Kaye shared some highlights especially on fundraising. The best one was on Instagram – a great platform to share our good work and there's support platforms to help. Happy Hour featured the RI President. The virtual International conference is June 20th for a week. Christina shared she took mostly the communication classes. She loves Instagram and offered to help boost this for our club. Kim shared she has an even deeper appreciation for Chis Serface and keeping our technology running. She shared the importance of keeping things simple through online tools. She shared an idea to start the meetings early and have an on-line greeter. Jan was there for 3 sessions. She was struck by all the things you can do through online communication and exhaust yourself doing it. Kathryn thought the speakers at the party were great and had good ideas.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Kathryn asked us to do our doodle poll to come up with good dates for the Leadership assembly.

Kathryn now has Chairs and Co-Chairs for all committees except for auction. All board members have been assigned as liaisons.

Linda Kaye shared that Kathryn is doing a great job leading during this time.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Next Board meeting: Date June 22, 4:00 pm, virtually.