Stillwater Sunrise Rotary Board Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2017

Present: Don Schuld, Margie Horning, Jack Gibbs, Mel Sullivan, Barbara Tischart, Shari Clifford, Steve Madsen, Mark Fisher, Jim Meier, Bob Gray, Craig Leiser

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 am by Mel Sullivan

The January minutes were approved as read.

**Finance Report:**

1. Mel presented the finance report. The Finance Report was approved as presented. Margie will follow up with Roger on the kayak and Family Means entry on the actual and budget spreadsheet.

**Grant committee- Margie Horning**

* Margie reported that Ed Boeve had a successful trip to Kenya and brought back a bottle of the water from the new well. The solar panels are being installed but no word if they are completed at this time.
* Jeanne Matlock had several questions on the local grant procedures. Folks at the board meeting really couldn’t answer them with certainty. We will look into having a club meeting devoted to how the club supports local grants, charitable gifts, district grants and global grants. Margie will follow up with Jeanne.
* There is a current request to provide lunch for the volunteers for the Heart Screening of the youth at Stillwater High School. Mike Schoonover a long-time
Rotarian is heading up the event under the Play It for Patrick organization. Jeanne’s committee will be making the funding decision.
* The board voted to support the Remember Niger grant to build a security fence around a girl’s school. Kara VanderKamp presented a very informative program on February 14th. Doug Pepin’s wife Karen has gone to Niger several times with Kara We will partner with the Montgomery Valley Rotary Club in Michigan. We will support the grant with a contribution of up to $2,000.

**STRIVE-Brent Voight**

* No report.

**Membership Report- Jack Gibbons**

* Jack had nothing new to report regarding new members.
* Members of the club are providing Rick Heidick with meals for the next 2 months. Rick broke his leg in Mexico.

**Youth Exchange-Brett Emmons**

* Noon club will take the lead. But it will be a tri club effort. Student will come from either Sweden or Denmark. Outbound student is doing ok in Brazil. She is somewhat homesick.

**Foundation Report-Bob Gray**

* Foundation giving on track
* Bob will look at members who are close to Paul Harris status. That combined with their contributions to the club will determine who we award PH to this spring.

**Literacy Report-Don Schuld**

* Kathleen Eddy’s name has been submitted for the Literacy award. She manages the Valley Bookseller in Stillwater.
* Two Kayaks are being built at the Alternative Learning Center

**PR Report:**

* Ted Nesse is looking at Club runner.

**President’s Report-Mel Sullivan**

* Brewers Bazaar will be our big fundraiser again this year. Ken McGinley, Bill Miller and Jason Hanlon will take the lead positions with the expectation that everyone in the Club will participate. There are two club meeting planning dates set for April l4th and May 16th.
* RI wants clubs to be flexible.
We will be looking at ways to record attendance that are more in keeping with flexibility rather than a hard and fast rule.
* It is the responsibility of all members to help the club grow and evolve. New members are always welcome.

**Old Business-Mel Sullivan**

* Mel reminded the Board to submit their photos and bullet points for the Membership Directory

**New Business**

* There was no new business

**Upcoming Events**

* Rotary district conference April 28 and 29th

**Next Board Meeting: Thursday March 16, 2017 at 7:00 am at Family Means.**

**The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10 am.**