

ROTARY CLUB OF EAST MOLINE/SILVIS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
August 17, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Mardy Morrow-Strayer, Chris VanSpeybroeck, Bettie Truitt, Mike Janecek, John Reynolds, Bill Gleeson, Tom Conrad, Terry Westbrook, Jim VanSpeybroeck, and Megan Petersen were present. Jim Nelson and Michael Slyter were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the July 20, 2017 board meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. J. VanSpeybroeck and seconded by Ms. Truitt, to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2017 board meeting. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2017 and Profit & Loss Statement for the 1 month ended July 31, 2017 were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Reynolds and seconded by Mr. C. VanSpeybroeck to accept the financial statements. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT REPORT

President Morrow-Strayer reported that the by-laws are still in process and Graham Lee will be assisting the club in the preparation. Mr. Lee will also get the incorporation paperwork prepared.

The members discussed the possible continuance of the combined Citizen of the Year, Public Servant of the Year, and Rotarian of the Year celebration with the City of East Moline. After some discussion, the board decided to have the recognition of the Rotarian of the Year at the club's Christmas party.

A donation request was received from East Moline Main Street for bringing the Jessie White Tumblers to the Freedom Fest. A motion was made by Mr. C. VanSpeybroeck and seconded by Mr. Reynolds to contribute \$250. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

President Morrow-Strayer reported that she had reached out to Blackhawk Area Special Education District to inquire about availability of a room to put sensory equipment in for her autism project. She is waiting to receive a response from BHASED.

The board was informed that the charter paperwork for the Jr. Rotarians had been completed and sent into Rotary International.

The Rotary International project of planting a tree for each Rotarian in our club was discussed. The possibility of teaming up with other IL QC clubs was discussed as well as working with Living Lands and Waters on the project.

President Morrow-Strayer informed the board that she will be setting up a meeting with the 5 past presidents to discuss nominations of individuals for the vacant board seats.

Mr. Westbrook gave an update on the Literacy project. He reported that corporate donations have exceeded the initial estimates however the social media donations had not come through as expected. The committee has committed funding for 43 iPads however they would like to have 60 iPads in the schools at the start of the year. The Literacy committee asked the board to provide the gap funding for the remaining 17 iPads totaling approximately \$9,000. The club would then be reimbursed as the future donations are received. A motion was made by Ms. Truitt and seconded by Mr. J. VanSpeybroeck to wait until the September board meeting to make a decision on the funding to give the committee more time to raise the required funds. Ayes: Janecek, Reynolds, Gleeson, J. VanSpeybroeck, and Truitt. Nay: Conrad. Westbrook and C. VanSpeybroeck abstained. Motion carried.

The board was informed that Gary Matteson had sent in his resignation as a member of the club.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. J. VanSpeybroeck and seconded by Mr. Janecek to adjourn. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by,
Megan Petersen

11:50 AM