# ROTARY CLUB OF EAST MOLINE/SILVIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 16, 2017

## ATTENDANCE

Terry Westbrook, Mardy Morrow, Chris VanSpeybroeck, Doug Reynolds, Rob't Greene, Sheri Coder, Tony Columbia, Jim VanSpeybroeck and Megan Petersen were present. Jim Nelson, Tom Conrad, and Bettie Truitt were absent.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the January 26, 2017 board meeting were presented. A motion was made Mr. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. Greene, to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2017 board meeting. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2017 and Profit & Loss Statement for the 7 months ended January 31, 2017 were presented. A motion was made by Ms. Morrow and seconded by Ms. Coder to accept the financial statements. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### **PRESIDENT REPORT**

President Westbrook is still working on the revised by-laws and policies for the Club. He will bring them back for final approval once they are ready.

Mr. J VanSpeybroeck updated the board on the issues that were raised at the last meeting in regards to the Rock Island Rotary Drinking Water project. A motion was made by Mr. Columbia and seconded by Mr. C VanSpeybroeck to purchase 2 water systems at \$275 each and to ask that the club is given an update after 1 year on the project. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

Ms. Coder and Mr. Greene updated the board on the proposed literacy project that would provide iPads to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students across the school district to access thousands of books. Questions were asked of Ms. Coder regarding logistics of the program and if there were any stats showing results of this program used in other areas of the country. A pilot program was proposed to the board in which 20 of the 40 units would be purchased with exposure to the club of up to \$12,124. The remaining iPads would be purchased as funds are raised. A motion was made by Mr. Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Columbia to proceed with the pilot program presented with a maximum exposure to the club of \$12,124. Upon voice vote all voted in favor with Ms. Coder and Mr. C. VanSpeybroeck abstaining. Motion carried.

The President Elect nominee will be voted on at the March board of directors meeting.

## PRESIDENT ELECT REPORT

An application was received from Don Sproul for membership into the club. A motion was made by Mr. Columbia and seconded by Ms. Morrow to accept Don Sproul as a member of the club. Upon voice vote all voted in favor. Motion carried.

Ms. Petersen presented a request from Jim Grafton to purchase 4 bicycles from Walmart with the Rotary on Wheels grant money. A motion was made by Mr. Reynolds and seconded by Mr. Greene to spend up to \$1,435 for bicycles, racks and plaques as deemed feasible by Mr. Grafton. Upon voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

The board requested that Mr. Grafton also look into the feasibility of selling advertising to place on the bike racks. The hope is that the proceeds from advertising will cover the charge of new bicycles as they are needed.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

President Westbrook presented a request by the United Education Foundation for a donation towards the Academic Achievement Awards to be given in 2017. A motion was made by Mr. J VanSpeybroeck and seconded by Mr. C VanSpeybroeck to donate \$500 to the United Education Foundation for the Academic Achievement Awards. Upon voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion carried.

## ADJOURN

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

Minutes submitted by, Megan Petersen

12:00 PM