



Ellsworth Noontime Rotary Board Meeting Minutes
8:00 AM Darlings Chevrolet Conference Room
Tuesday, December 19, 2017

Attendance:

Tiffany McMullen, Leann Beal, Megan Harmon, and Heidi Grindle.

Old business:

Nomination Committee, Slate of Officers.

The Board was very excited to have a slate of officers proposed by the Nominating Committee and approved by the Club. This slate of officers does start the succession planning for the next couple of years. The slate of officers are listed in the attached minutes from Club Assembly on December 14, 2017 (attachment #1). Leann will attend PETS training on March 16, 17, 18, as the President and will bring the Secretarial information back for Amy. Tiffany has already provided the email address for those officers to the PETS Training planning committee.

Community Service Project.

The information on selecting a non-profit to benefit from the service project will continue to be in the email blasts created by Terry for the next few weeks. The Board would like recommendations for places by January 15, 2018. The goal would be to take a vote on the available places at the Yankee Swap on January 18, 2018.

Scholarship Application.

The Board brainstormed adding one thought provoking question to the scholarship application. The goal was to provide a question where the students could define who they are, what impact receiving this scholarship would have on their future plans, and what they aspire to do with their future. The topic of whether the current deadline should be moved or not was discussed; Tiffany will check with Paul to see if the date has significant value in the process.

New business:

Foundation Giving.

Josh Kelsey will be designing a foundation giving invoice for members within the next few weeks. He will follow up with members and track the online giving up until March; at that point a decision will be made on how to meet the goal if it has not already been met or exceeded. Everyone is encouraged to donate a minimum of \$40 this year to meet the Club goal as well as to be eligible to receive grant funds during the next disbursement period. The minimum donation guidelines to be eligible for the grant is determined each year at the fall seminar.

New member dues, pro-rating.

The Club sends out invoices for membership dues in June for the Club year running from July 1 – June 30 with payment due by July 31. Members are allowed to pay the dues in two halves. If the second half is still outstanding on January 1, another invoice is sent to the member. International and District send invoices to the Club twice a year. The membership must be accurate in Clubrunner on July 1 and January 1 so that the Club is invoiced correctly. They no longer prorate the dues for members who are not shown on the roster as of July 1 and January 1. Likewise they do not credit the club if a member was not deleted by those dates and then they show up on the invoice. Based on this process, the Board would like a formal policy for determining how to charge membership dues initially when a member joins the club between the designated reporting dates. The policy Tiffany will draft and send out to Board members recommends a true proration process of months served during that club year plus the \$50 new member fee beginning the first day of the month the member is inducted into the Club. For example, if a new member is inducted on February 17 they would be billed 5 months (February 1 – June 30) * \$17 plus the \$50 new membership fee totaling an invoice of \$135.00. Then on the invoice sent out in June they would be invoiced the full year membership dues of currently \$200.00.

Committee reports:

Jen Saunders, Treasurer

No report this month.

Heidi-Noel Grindle, Secretary

No report this month.

Mark Politte, Focus group

No report this month.

Leann Beal, Program

Leann will add a classification talk to this quarter's programming list near the end of January. Likely the program will consist of 3-4 talks with time restrictions and then an ice breaker activity will be incorporated. There are some great speakers and programs coming up during the next quarter.

Paul Pangburn, Students

No report this month.

Crystal Richards, Membership

No report this month.

Josh Kelsey, Foundation Chair

No report this month.

Board decisions:

There were no formal board decisions or votes taken this month.

Follow-up action:

The Board will vote next month on a policy for determining new member dues.

Next Board meeting:

As the next Board meeting would have fallen on the day after a holiday for most Board members (January 16, 2018) a decision was made to hold the next Board meeting on the following Tuesday (January 23, 2018). The Board meeting will be held in the upstairs Darling's Chevrolet Conference Room.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 AM.

Date: December 20, 2017

Signature: Heidi-Noël Grindle

Submitted by Secretary Heidi Grindle

Date emailed to President: 12/20/2017



December 14, 2017

Club Assembly

Ellsworth City Hall

Attendance – Louis, Leann, Terry, Heidi, Josh K, Tiffany, Paul, Mark, Crystal, Jen, Mike, Marilyn, Wally, Amy & Jody

Secretary – Heidi passed out attendance records that included meetings attended, meetings missed, make-ups, banked make-ups and year to date attendance. Congratulations to the following with 100% attendance: Leann, Heidi, Megan, Jen, Amy, Betty and Tiffany. Attendance at 90.48% Connie, Crystal and Kermit. Again, congratulations!

Program – Leann passed out list of groups and calendars for the 3rd quarter. One date available in January. Speakers have been great, interesting topics. Encouragement to bring guests to a meeting, look at ClubRunner in advance to check out upcoming speakers and review weekly email blast from Terry.

Nomination Committee (Jen, Heidi and Josh K.): the nomination committee presented the slate of officers for 2018-2019 as follows: President Leann, President Elect Wally, Vice President Scott, Secretary Amy, Treasurer Jen, Sergeant-at-Arms Megan, Community Service (focus groups and students) Mark and Paul. Terry made a motion to accept, Marilyn second, unanimous vote from the club.

Student Mentoring – We have 14 students. There is a student who is no longer able to attend due to class scheduling conflict. Guidance advised they have two students who have been asking to join and are interested. We have approved having the two students join; we will have 15 students for this school year going back to 14 next year. It was discussed the students seem to get more out of the interactive meetings then a speaker only. Next month will be mock interviews.

Membership – There are several prospect members lined up. It may be effective for a current member to “buddy” with a prospect to have a one-on-one contact/mentor to encourage coming to meetings and joining club.

Foundation – Josh K. attended the required seminar on behalf of the club (one of the requirements to apply for foundation grant) held December 2nd. Josh gave a powerpoint presentation on giving to the Foundation – why we need to support and requirements for each club to meet for a grant. Our club goal is \$1,040 based on number of our members. We will need each member to donate \$40 each. April 1st is deadline for contributions. As a reminder, last year we donated \$1,095 and received a \$750 grant used for our scholarship fund. Josh will take care of preparing invoices for each member. It was agreed the invoice would be a helpful reminder for each member and tracking for those businesses that need it.

Community service project: as part of the goals of District Governor Lincoln Ehrlenbach, we will be setting up a community service project on April 28th to plant a tree and plants at a non-profit location. The group was asked as a whole to provide suggestions for the location. Home Depot will be donating supplies and McMullen Landscape will provide equipment/laborers as needed. Some suggestions were brought up –hospital, Hospice of Hancock County, old Collier’s building.

Reminders: Next meeting December 21st at Woodlawn Museum 12:30-1:30, lunch provided, wear holiday sweater!

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany McMullen, president