Minutes of Annual General Meeting D7040 Passport Club

Tuesday, 5 December 2017 from 7:00 to 7:37pm Gotomeet.me/Rotary7040

7 executive members present:

President: Ariane Carriere Treasurer: David Wood

The Rotary Foundation: Curry Wood and Beth Campbell

Secretary/club administration: Jacinthe Paillé
Public Relations and Communication: Kathy Trim

Service Projects: Len Goddard

Also present: Sharon Czorny, Fred Carriere, Lynne O'Flaherty, Rene Melchers, Lilliane Lalonde-McKennirey, Myriam Montrat, and Yves Soumillon.

Proxy: Bob Whyte, Barbara Parker

- 1. Approval of the agenda Ariane Carriere, president, starts the meeting at 7:02pm.
- 2. Opening remarks (Ariane). Ariane mentions it is our first experience of doing this online, so we may need to adjust.
- 3. Roll call and establishment of quorum: Jacinthe Paille confirms attendees and quorum.
- Nomination and Confirmation of Directors/officers
 Ariane confirms the directors/officers of the club. The motion is moved by David Wood, seconded by Sharon Czorny. All present agree.
- 5. Financial Report to November 30
 David comments the financial report (2 documents referred to: Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet). These comments lead to other discussions: calendars (72 sold, club gets 10\$ per calendar); and dues (as of meeting time, only one or 2 members have not sent their dues payment). The net income as of November 30 is \$2,363.44, and total assets are \$3,513.44. The motion to accept the financial report is moved by Len Goddard, seconded by Kathy Trim. All present agree.
- 6. Appointment of auditor
 Bath Campbell has offered to be the auditor. Motion moved by Len, agreed.
- 7. Review of strategic plan
 Ariane goes through each item of the strategic plan (document used: Update on Goals
 and Strategic Plan 2017-18). For the club to receive the Presidential Citation, we have to

achieve some goals, and Ariane points out what has been done and still needs to be completed:

- -We have reached the goal of a 10% increase in members in 2017-18.
- -We have not yet reached the goal of everyone giving to The Rotary Foundation (TRF). Ariane mentions that it is easy to do it through Rotary Direct. For Canadians, donations are given to TRF Canada for income tax purposes.
- -We are doing very well with everyone entering their attendance credits.

Ariane shows screen from RI (reports) to demonstrate how well we are doing to receive the Presidential Citation. For example, we have 5 goals achieved in the Public Image category; we have 3 out of 4 items achieved in the 'Focus and Increase Humanitarian Service. Len mentions that he staffed a (kiosk?) for the Salvation Army after a flood in Ottawa, so that could count in the Environment category. It is very good for our club to get the Presidential Citation in its first year.

A discussion ensues on the upcoming International Convention in Toronto (June 2018). Curry and Beth are going, as are Ariane and Fred (and Jacinthe ©). Ariane mentions it is possible to get a room for \$99/night at Ryerson University. She will send the link.

8. Adjournment of AGM at 7:37pm.

Club affairs

A) Rene: Adventures of Citizenship

Rene tells the club about the Adventures program, especially the Adventures in Citizenship program of the Rotary Club of Ottawa. It is for high school students across Canada, where they spend one week in our nation's capital doing activities, visiting the parliament, etc. Last year, the RC of Brockville sent a student, and the RC of Cornwall Sunrise paid for the traveling costs (\$1400) of an Aboriginal student. Of that amount, \$600 is refunded by Heritage Canada once the program is completed. The student who went truly enjoyed it. Rene asks if our club would pay for the traveling costs of another student this year. We could advertise this in the media, local newspapers, etc. Ariane will put this in the bulletin for everyone to vote on this; we also need to verify if the club has the funds to pay.

A discussion ensues. Curry says he totally supports the program, and asks if he could donate to the club. Ariane mentions we are not registered, but if the club has the funds, we could sponsor. Kathy asks about the sponsoring process and the travel costs. Len suggests using Air Miles, or other traveling miles.

B) Ariane: Attendance

Ariane reviews how to log in attendance. We can still apply hours to closed meetings. She shows the reports where everyone can have a customized attendance report.

C) Len: Devastation in Dominica

Len tells the club about the RC of Orleans and South Ottawa, who want to raise \$2 million for the devastation in the Dominica. So far \$27000 has been raised. There are 2 RC in the Dominican who have a relationship with the Ottawa clubs. Len mentions that over 90% of the island has been wiped out (75000 people are affected). Len is wondering if our club could help through the Labour Council. They could send retirees to help rebuild buildings that will withstand storms. Kathy states that we need to know more, as there are so many causes. Curry asks what the club would do; Len talks about making connections. Len and Kathy will go to Presidents' Council on January 15 and will find out more.

End of meeting at 8:06pm.