Minutes of D5550 WCSF Annual Meeting June 1, 2023 via Zoom

1. Call to order and welcome by Chair Eva Vida at 6:30/7:30 pm

Motion: Brian Cocks – Gord LeMaistre: That Bob Durston be appointed as acting secretary for the Annual Meeting. Carried 2. Motion: Bob Durston – Sonja Susut: That the agenda be approved as circulated with any new items noted in the minutes. Carried 3. Motion: Bob Durston – Brian Cocks: That the minutes of the 2021 – 22 AGM be approved as circulated. Carried

4. Business arising from the minutes – nothing

5. Annual Reports:

1. Chair’s Report – Eva introduced Asit as the new Vice Chairman and welcomed Pankaj Bhowmik for taking on the role of secretary beginning July 1. Thanked Brenda for keeping the secretarial records for the past 12 years and wished her well in her new adventures. Eva thanked all the committees and individuals for the support and hard work through the year to WCSF. Thanks to Jeff Miller and his Grants committee work. They were efficient and effective. Thanks to Gord and Deb and the REP committee. Big thank you to Brian and Darlene for keeping the financials in good order. Thank you to Bob for his work with all the grants and stepping in where needed.
2. DG’s remarks – Fred Wright – I cannot tell you how much I respect the work of the Foundation. We may have the strongest District Foundation Committee! Thanks to Gord & Deb for their leadership with REP and Brian & Darlene for everything they do for both WCS and REP.
3. DGE’s remarks – Sonja Susut – very impressed with the knowledge & work of the members. Thank you!
4. Correspondence – none

6. Treasurer’s Report Financial Motions

1. That WCSF Treasurer's 2022-23 financial report up to and including May 26, 2023 be accepted as circulated. Brian Cocks/Gord LeMaistre Carried
2. To accept and approve the auditor's financial report for Rotary year 2021/2022. Brian Cocks/ Bob Durston Carried

(3) That motion of May 19, 2022 appointing MNP-Melfort as auditors for 2022-23 be rescinded. Brian Cocks/Bob Durston Carried (4) That Fort Group Chartered Professional Accountants, Winnipeg be appointed auditors for 2022-23. Brian Cocks/Fred Wright Carried

(5) That Fort Group Chartered Professional Accountants, Winnipeg be appointed auditors for Rotary year 2023-24. Brian Cocks/ Fred Wright Carried

(6) That Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce - Melfort be confirmed as bankers for Rotary year 2023/24 Brian Cocks/ Asit Sarkar Carried

(7) Signing authorities for D5550 WCSF Committee bank account #1302612 for Rotary year 2023-24 be any 2 of WCSF Chair, Eva Vida; WCSF Vice-chair, Asit Sarkar; WCSF Treasurer, Brian Cocks; WCSF Secretary, Pankaj Bhowmik to sign. Fred Wright/Alan Moulin Carried

(8) Signing authorities for the District Foundation Acct. #1804111for Rotary year 2022-23 be: WCSF Chair Eva Vida and WCSF Treasurer Brian Cocks, (WCSF Secretary, Pankaj Bhowmik an alternate). Fred Wright/Alan Moulin Carried

(9) Signing authorities for CREC bank accounts Acct.#1503219 CAD and Account# 0200816 USD for the Rotary year 2023-24 be any two (2) of WCSF Eva Vida, Chair; WSCF Vice Chair, Asit Sarkar; WCSF Treasurer, Brian Cocks; WSCF Secretary, Pankaj Bhowmik; Gord Le Maistre, Chair of Ripple Effect Subcommittee; PDG Gailmarie Anderson. Fred Wright/Sonja Susut Carried

Letter from current WCSF Chair or WCSF secretary to CIBC informing of names and committee positions of signing authorities including their email & postal addresses and phone numbers as of July 1, 2023 for Rotary year 2023-24. Bob will develop the letter to be forwarded to Brian to be taken to CIBC.

7. TRF Report—Bob Durston’s report was circulated. Bob was appointed Oct 1, 2022 by DGE Sonja Susut to a new 3year term beginning July 1, 2023 ending June 30, 2026 so that Bob could carry out grant certification and District Global grant application for 2023-24 on behalf of D5550. The 2022-23 DG has been completed and submitted. The 2023-24 District Global Grant will be submitted following this meeting. Thanks to everyone for your support!!

8. Grants Committee Report circulated – Alan Moulin on behalf of Chair, Jeff Miller, spoke to the grants recommended. Thanked the committee members for all their support & work. Discussion on future grant applications how to improve with a best practice guideline. Note made to include as discussion item on the Sept 29-30 Retreat agenda

9.Ripple Effect Committee report circulated – Gord LeMaistre Thanked Brian & Darlene as well as Gailmarie for keeping the wire transfers moving. Thanked D5550 Rotarians for the support to the Ripple Effect Program. The committee is presenting certificates of appreciation to clubs.

Motion: Fred Wright – Alan Moulin: That all reports be accepted. carried.

10. New and Unfinished Business:

11.1. DGE Sonja Susut confirmed WCS Chair Eva Vida for Rotary year 2023/2024

11.2. Appointment of trustees of the WCS Foundation for Rotary year 2023/2024 (All members of WCSF committee)

11.3. DGE, Sonja Susut confirmed appointment of the following trustees of the District5550 World Community Service Foundation/ Trust Indenture for the Rotary year 2023/2024 by incoming DG Sonja Susut: Eva Vida, Chair; Asit Sakar, Vice Chair; Pankaj Bhowmik, Secretary; Brian Cocks, Treasurer; Art Beselt, Compliance Officer; Bob Durston, DRFC; Jeff Miller, Chair Grants Subcommittee; Alan Moulin; Christine Hansen; PDG Gailmarie Anderson, Chair VTT Subcommittee; Cameron Zwyina. Trustees as of right for the Rotary Year 2023/2024 are PDG Fred Wright, DG Sonja Susut, DGE Peter Tonge

12. WCSF Retreat September 29 & 30, 2023 via zoom or in person Concensus of those present that the Retreat be via zoom

13. Meeting adjourned at 7:02/ 8:02 pm by the Chair

**Meeting attendance record:** District 5550 WCSF Committee (X means absent)

\_\_ Past District Governor – Dan Sutton

\_\_\_ District Governor – Fred Wright

\_\_ District Governor Elect Sonja Susut

\_X\_ District Governor Nominee – Peter Tonge

\_\_\_ Chair – Eva Vida

\_\_\_ Vice Chair – Alan Moulin

\_\_\_ Treasurer – Brian Cocks

\_X\_ Secretary – Brenda Banbury

\_\_\_ Chair, District RF Committee – Bob Durston

\_\_X\_ Grant Sub-Cttee Chair, Jeff Miller \_X\_\_ VTT Sub-Cttee Chair, PDG Gailmarie Anderson

\_\_X\_ Compliance Officer – Art Beselt

\_\_\_ Co-Chairs Ripple Effect Cttee. Gord & Deb LeMaistre

\_\_ Asit Sarkar

\_X\_\_ Christine Hansen

\_\_\_CameronZywina \_\_\_Pankaj Bhowmik