

# Rotary District 6000 Board of Directors Meeting

September 21, 2023

District 6000 Office, Pella, Iowa

**In Attendance:** Bill Bruce, DGE Dave Cook, PDG Steve Dakin, DG Dennis Drager, Heidi Drager, Megan Franklin, DGN Norlan Hinke, PDG Erna Morain, PDG Jim Patton, Marie Pipes, Jasmine Sanasinh, Carolyn Scharff, Jean Sheets, Tim Trudeau, PDG Bill Tubbs, PDG Steve Wieneke

Meeting was **called to order** by DG Dennis at 11:29 a.m.

Bill moved the **Agenda**, seconded by PDG Steve W - Motion approved.

PDG Steve D verified that a **quorum** was present

Norlan moved approval of the **Minutes** from May 21, 2023 meeting, seconded by Bill - Motion Approved

## **Budget/Finance Meeting Report:** PDG Steve D

\*Bill suggested that some of the Reserved Funds be invested for additional income

## **Team Reports:** Dennis Drager

\*PDG Steve W-Larry Thein has been meeting with clubs regarding membership (7 possible new members through the RI portal inquiries)

\*PDG Steve W-previewed RLI in October; 8 people are registered currently; requested advocating for the RLI to come

\*DGE Dave commented on District 6000 membership's fast start; RI has embraced District 6000 materials to develop "Service Companion Clubs"; Retention will be a future focus

\*PDG Jim Patton reported that at this time there is not a Global Scholar candidate. The committee will be meeting in November and will focus on the Global Scholar.

\*DGN Norlan commented on the Major Donor Foundation meetings: numbers attending varied; depth of discussion was "solid", Rachel Greenhoe attended and met with some donors

\*PDG Steve D will be visiting clubs to share Foundation information

\*DG Dennis shared that a "Foundation Social" will be meeting soon in Iowa City, Bettendorf, and future in Central Iowa (Des Moines), Boone/Ames/Jefferson areas. This is an educational opportunity for members to learn about the Rotary Foundation, as well as enjoy socializing.

\*Marie reported on Interact: RC of Boone has started a new club, Trey in Keokuk has made contact to start activities there; a District Youth Program through Zoom will be held October 2 including Interact, RYLA, Youth Exchange, and World Affairs. RYLA attendees are instrumental in developing the Interact Clubs in Marshalltown and Boone.

\*DG Dennis has visited 39 clubs

Other reports previously provided by District Chairs are on file.

## **DGE Report** – Dave Cook

\*Presented his budget plan to the B/F meeting earlier

\*One Summit via online, viewing as a club, discuss, and apply: Focus would be on Area of Focus which they are not currently working on, and what can the Club do for their community in that Area of Focus

\*Training NCPETS will be in February.

\*34% of Rotarians who have dropped membership were only members for 2 year or less. Focus on what the Club can do to retain members and engage them as Rotarians

**DGN Report** – Norlan Hinke

\*Zone Institute: report written, submitted and approved

\*International Convention in Singapore: 7 registered at this time, encouraging sign up

\*Plans being made for District 6000's social in Singapore, paired with District 5970

\*DGN Norlan moved development of a Super EREY, a program which Verne Folkmann has been working on, seconded by Bill-Motion Approved Motion

Discussion:

- Those currently giving EREY know what giving to the Foundation means
- There may be an upside to promoting the Paul Harris Society
- Promoting Super EREY may increase EREY
- Only 10% of members (worldwide) give to PolioPlus
- Will there be recognition given to those who increase giving? Or EREY?
- Are District 6000 Paul Harris members being contacted, thanked?

**Policies and Procedures** -DG Dennis

\*Committee formed to align our "Policies and Procedures" with District Bylaws and report back at December meeting

**New Business**

\*RAG for Mental Health -Heidi Drager (currently 30 members)

PDG Steve W moved for adjournment, seconded by Bill-Motion Approved

**Next Meeting:** December 14, 2023 (in person)