

**MINUTES**  
**DISTRICT 6000 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Tuesday October 11 2016**  
**Pella Iowa**

PRESENT

Gov. 16-17 Chris Knapp – Chair

Gov. 17-18 Mike Ruby

Gov. 14-15 John Ockenfels – Secretary

Gov. 12 -13 Terry Geiger

Carolyn Scharff, District Administrator, guest

Gov. 15-16 Loring Miller – Vice Chair

Gov. 18 -19 Tom Narak

Gov. 13 -14 Jacque Andrew

Gov. 04 - 05 Bill Tubbs (Ex-Officio)

1. Gov. Knapp called the meeting to order as scheduled
2. The Agenda was approved
3. Sec. Ockenfels noted that there was a Quorum present.
4. The minutes were approved as presented.
5. Jacque Andrew presented the report from the Budget and Finance committee, just completed. It was moved by Andrew and seconded by Geiger to approve the report.  
Motion carried
6. District Reports / committee reports
  - Public Image – Peggy Geiger – Discussed new ideas to promote the Rotary Brand improve Rotary’s image in our district and other ideas from Zone Training in Cleveland Ohio. The committee is also working on recreating a bronze sculpture of a Rotarian giving the “Polio Drops”
  - Membership – Wayne Steen – Noted that D6000 added 429 new members last year, BUT only netted 1. They are working on a plan to keep members involved. He also noted that WDSM is working on an extension with Norwalk with at least 20 new members
  - Youth Exchange – Doug Peterson- Reported that we will have 10 inbound students (8 girls and 2 boys). With 9 sponsor clubs. We will have 10 outbound students. They are currently working on 2017/ 18 programming. They are expecting 15 inbound students.
  - Polio Report – Nigeria is back on the Endemic list. Rotary’s Polio Eradication program is still gaining significant positive media recognition.
  - Assistant Govs. – Gov Knapp praised the work of the current AGs. He noted that they are getting to the clubs and helping them improve the outlook at the club levels.
  - RLI Update - Terry Geiger reported that we need to really work on attracting more D6000 Rotarians to RLI. We had to cancel a couple of session due to lack of registrations. Our next Iowa class is April 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 in Des Moines.

- RYLA – Gary Welch – We had 241 Students in 2016 and expect about the same in 2017. Approximately 2/3 of the students come from D6000. They need 20 adult volunteers and should have 15 of them from D6000.  
RYLA is looking at the prospect of becoming an incorporated 501c3.  
Gary presented the concept of “Young RYLA”, for middle school students.  
Options and issues associated with this type of program were discussed.  
**A proposal was made to partner with D5970 for up to 30 students for 1 year, then, after a post camp review, evaluate the program by the D6000 BOD at the October 2017 BOD meeting. A motion was made by Geiger and Seconded by Miller. The motion passed.**
- NCPETS – Jacque Andrew – Jacque reported that the NCPETS planning is making significant progress and she is pleased with the potential for a great program in Ames. The program will be held in Ames Iowa in 2017 then Rochester Minn. In 2018. Iowa State will be handling the registrations for both locations going forward. Some of the high profile leadership that will be presenting includes RIPE Ian Risley, RIVP/ Zone 28-29 Director Jennifer Jones, Director Brad Howard, Rod Keneupher. We currently have 57 PEs and 21 PNs identified to the District. We also just approved a special incentive package to support PNs attending PETS. We will need to select a new D6000 Director for PETS following Jacque.
- Foundation Reports – Terry Geiger – So far we already have over \$75,000 sent to TRF. This is a great start.
  - The Foundation Dinner is November 5<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson in Coralville. We only have 34 signed up and need to generate more interest.
  - We did \$85,000 in Community Service Grants.
  - The VTT in Brazil for Clubfoot is going great.
  - We still have 12 clubs without Goals for Polio support.
  - We now have approximately 80% of TRF goals submitted.
- District Gov reports – Chris Knapp
  - 57 Clubs visited, listening to all of them
  - District Conference will include the Author of “Rotary’s First 100 Years” and will include several panels of young people
- Dist Gov Elect – Mike Ruby
  - Has visited 19 clubs so far and has booked 17 more.
  - Has some new ideas for District Conference
  - Discussed some changes for the “One Rotary Summit” program
- Dist Gov Nominee –Tom Narak - has been working with Norwalk to form a new club.
  - Noted that his experience from attending the training program at Zone is that D6000 is very a great group of Rotarians working to make the world a better place.
- PDG report – Loring Miller- noted that he experienced great club visits overall.
  - Reported that the district raised \$25,000 for support of Clubfoot treatment and supplying braces.

- Reported that Iowa Governor Terry Branstad has declared the Jefferson Highway a “State Heritage Byway”
- District projects – John Ockenfels – Update about clubs supporting the coats projected the current status without using District Community Service Grants.
  - Reviewed the status of RAG4Clubfoot and the Brazil VTT
  - Presented an update from Deb Dunkhase regarding the planning for the next Iowa MOST mission.
  - Updated the current status of planning for the Xicotepec trip. Also noted that they have suffered extensive major damage from a severe storm. D6000 has agreed to help them through our HEF District Disaster fund with a donation of \$10,000.
- New Business - The board agreed to increase District Administrator Carolyn’s salary and set up a Performance Review Process.
- Old Business –Terry Geiger – A discussion and review of concerns regarding North Scott’s grant payment issues was conducted by the board. Terry and Chris will review these and meet with North Scott ASAP to seek a resolution.
- Next Meeting – Scheduled for 3:00 PM, December 6 at Pella
- MEETING ADJOURNED