

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ROTARY DISTRICT 6000
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019
ON-LINE GOTO MEETING**

PRESENT:

Gov. 18-19	Tom Narak, Chair	Gov. 14-15	John Ockenfels
Gov. 17-18	Mike Ruby, Vice Chair	Gov. 19-20	Erna Morain, DGE
Gov. 16-17	Chris Knapp, Secretary	Gov. 20-21	Steve Dakin, DGN
Gov. 15-16	Loring Miller	Gov. 21-22	Alka Khanolkar, DGND
Gov. 04-05	Bill Tubbs, Ex-Officio		

OTHERS PRESENT:

Carolyn Scharff, District Administrator	Steve Morain, By-Laws Sub-committee Member
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The Meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M.

Verification of Quorum:

A quorum is present.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to Approve Agenda – Mike Ruby

Second of Motion – Chris Knapp

Passed.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to Approve Minutes – Erna Morain

Second of Motion – John Ockenfels

Passed.

Budget and Finance Committee Report:

Budget and Finance Committee Chair Loring Miller presented the report. The finances of the district are solid. District Accountant Denny Skinner presented the financial reports. There are no unusual expenses.

The committee presented some requested changes to the district's by-laws to clarify the approval of deficit budgeting and the use of funds from the district's reserves. Additionally, the process that the Budget and Finance Committee and the Board of Directors should follow in approving budget deficits.

Motion to Approve the Budget and Finance Committee Report – Chris Knapp

Second of Motion – Erna Morain

Passed.

District Reports:

Foundation VVT Committee Report:

Loring Miller presented the District 6000, Vocational Training Teams Implementation Awareness and Crisis Management Plan for approval. Loring reported that it had gone through several revisions. DG Tom Narak and PDG Chris Knap had participated in the review and revisions.

There was discussion as to what other programs should develop a similar plan. The Xicotepec Project, Iowa MOST and Friendship Exchanges are good candidates. The Youth Exchange program already has a Crisis Management plan.

Motion to Approve the VTT Crisis Management Plan – Mike Ruby
Second of Motion – Erna Morain
Passed.

Foundation Committee Report:

Foundation Chair Chris Knapp reported that the Grant Management Seminars (GMS) are set. The three locations are West Liberty, West Des Moines and Newton. The registration links are open on the district website and there have been some registrations recorded.

District Governor's Report:

One Rotary Summit Video:

Copies of the One Rotary Summit video are being produced and will be distributed to the clubs shortly.

Polio Sculpture Placement:

The sculpture will be placed at Blank Hospital. The cost for the foundation for the statue has been reduced and has been approved by Tom to move forward with the construction this spring. The cost may be further reduced by competitive bidding.

Xicotepec Update:

The trip will be March 16 – 23, 2019. There are 41 or 42 people participating this year.

Newsletter Survey:

The newsletter survey has been sent out to all district Rotarians. Even the Board of Directors should complete the survey. When Liz Cox returns from a trip she will develop a report based upon the survey results. Further discussion of the survey and its results will be done at the next board meeting.

Iowa Wolves Fundraiser for Polio:

District Governor Tom attended the basketball fundraiser. Tom and Carol were very pleased with the communities' engagement. Final figures from the game have not been tallied but Tom believes that everyone will be pleased. Ed Arnold will provide more backstory.

District Conference May 2-4, 2019:

The district conference registration form is ready to go live. Carolyn is waiting for the online service to be tested before going activating the site so registrations can start to be accepted.

Tom and Carol have planned a service project for the attendees to participate in during the conference. It will be related to literacy.

DGE Report:

DGE Erna Morain gave a NCPETS update. Erna reported that there has been one pre-PETS event and there will be at least two more. She is hoping for 100% participation from the clubs across the district.

She and Steve had an energizing experience at International Assembly in San Diego.

DGN Report:

DGN Steve Dakin encouraged the board to suggest topics for his breakout session with the president nominees. Steve reported that the arrangements for the D-6000 Breakfast in Hamburg are almost complete. The breakfast registration will soon be up on the website.

DGND Report:

DGND Alka Khanolkar reported that she will be attending two of the Grant Management Seminars, West Liberty and West Des Moines. She will be in India during the GMS and

District Training Assembly event held in Newton in March. While in India she will try to work on a Friendship Exchange and a possible VTT. Erna and Alka will exchange connections that they have in India regarding the Friendship Exchange and VTT.

District Projects – Update:

Iowa Most:

PDG John Ockenfels reported that the Iowa MOST team is in Guatemala. The team is being led by Deb Dunkhase and Dr. John Canady. They are doing great work. DG Narak mentioned that Iowa MOST will be the beneficiary of the Thursday night event during the 2019 district conference.

RAG4Clubfoot:

PDG John Ockenfels reported that the Columbian VTT has been approved. D-6000 is now looking for partners to contribute funds to finance the Global Grant.

By-Laws Sub-Committee Report:

The Budget and Finance Committee reported a request to have the By-Laws amended as follows:

iv – Approve payment of expenses submitted which exceed 120% of a current Rotary year budget line item.

v – Review and, if deemed appropriate by a vote of a majority of the Committee, recommend approval to the Board of expenditures from the annually budgeted contingency fund or expenditures which exceed the annual district budget.

Motion: To approve the changes to the By-Laws and to present the changes to the Presidents Elects at the district annual meeting at the 2019 NCPETS.

Move: John Ockenfels

Seconded: Erna Morain

Passed.

The By-Law Sub-Committee has been charged to work on the wording of By-Law, Article 6.1. The committee has asked Rotarian Steve Morain to participate in the review and possible re-writing of 6.1. DGE Erna Morain reminded the Board and By-Law Committee that any changes that are to be approved by the PEs must be presented to them at least 10 days prior to a requested vote.

Newsletter Update:

PDG Bill Tubbs, D-6000 Newsletter editor reported that the newsletter is at the printer. He reported that the new publication time line is now being used. The newsletter has been posted to the website.

Next Meeting:

May 16, 2019, at the district office.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher W. Knapp

Secretary