

MINUTES
DISTRICT 6000 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 8, 2018
Go To Meeting

Present:

Mike Ruby, Chair

Chris Knapp

Loring Miller, Secretary

John Ockenfels

Terry Geiger, Ex-Officio

Carolyn Scharff, Ex-Officio

Tom Narak

Erna Morain

Jacque Andrew

Bill Tubbs, Ex-Officio

Steve Dakin, Ex-Officio

1. Call to Order: Governor Ruby called the meeting to order at 10:01
2. Approval of Agenda: Jacque made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Erna, passed
3. Quorum Verification: Secretary Loring reported a quorum present
4. Approval of Minutes: Erna made a motion to approve the November 30, 2017, minutes, second by John, passed
5. Budget and Finance Committee Report:

John reported the need for a new laptop and support system for the District office. This was discussed at the November meeting. Jacque made the motion to approve up to \$2,000 to purchase the laptop and support, second by Tom, passed.

6. District Reports:

Public Image – Peggy Geiger joined the conversation to report that the Polio statue is on schedule and soon to be completed. The placement location will be at the Blank Hospital Healing Garden in Des Moines. The adjacent plaque will recognize Rotary but not contributing individuals. The committee is investigating reopening a state fair booth this fall.

Membership – Chris Nelson is working with Wayne Steen to host a May 2 membership promotion meeting.

Rotary Youth Exchange – Chris reported that we are currently training fourteen outbound students. Spring training is scheduled to be held April 28 in Newton. Chris will be president of South Central Rotary Youth Exchange (SCRYE) in three years. The winter SCRYE meeting will be held January 25-27, 2019 in Tulsa. Erna and Steve are encouraged to attend. The North American Youth Exchange Network (NAYEN) annual conference will be held March 15-17 in Omaha. District 6000 is a co-sponsor with Districts 5970 and 5610.

Polio – It was reported that \$10,345 was earned at the Polio basketball game in Des Moines.

Assistant Governors – Tom reported that all positions have been filled. New appointees are: Dolly Bergmann Area 12, Bridget Davis Area 13, Dennis Drager Area 6, Greg Kenyon Area 4, Corinne Lambert Area 5, and Bradley Vollstedt Area 1.

RYLA – Chris reported that the Iowa RYLA dates will be July 15-20, 2018. The Iowa RYLA account has a \$13,000 surplus so the board may lower the application fee. Dick Rasmussen will be the replacement board treasurer.

District Office Update – Carolyn is assembling 111 notebooks for PETS. She is researching computer system costs.

7. Foundation Report:

Community Service Grants – The committee is preparing for District Grant Management Seminars. Winterset and Keokuk have not submitted their 2016 reports.

Global Grants – Six applications totaling \$611,187 from sixteen contributing clubs have been approved.

Fundraiser Status - We have currently collected 94% of our club Polio goals. Our annual fund goal is \$415,000 of which we have collected 60%. As of January we have 10 clubs who have not given to the annual fund. Jacque will contact clubs that have questioned division between Polio and Annual Fund giving.

8. District Governor Report:

Club Visits – Last visit was December 13.

Toast Update – Task forces have been identified to fine tune the five events. We have 200 registrations thus far. The need for online registration was discussed. This would require a hired server, introducing an additional cost. It was decided to add online registration.

Newsletter Survey Results – Eighteen percent responded. The majority wanted the pilot to continue one additional year. A comment response would be beneficial.

9. District Governor Elect Report:

General Overview – President Elect training is going well. They intend to expand table discussions.

International Assembly – Tom had only good things to report. He made good international connections.

District Training – District Assembly will focus on membership, Polio, youth exchange, and goals with breakout sessions.

Other – None

10. District Governor Nominee:

Toronto Breakfast – The Toronto District 6000 Breakfast will be held at The National Club on June 25 from 7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

Other – Erna is encouraging the Des Moines clubs to attend the Toast. The Iowa Public Television event will be held March 5 from 5:00 p.m.-10:30 p.m.

11. NCPETS Update:

Jacque reported that early registrations now number 263, 85 from District 6000. Past RI President Richard King, Past RI Vice President Anne Matthews, RI Director Robb Knuepfer, and Past RI Ambassadorial Scholar Wooj Byun are featured speakers. From District 6000, we have 44 President Elects, 16 President Nominees, and 14 Assistant Governors registered to date.

12. District Projects:

RAG4ClubFoot – John reported that the Iowa Gift to the World goal is \$250,000. We have ongoing physician training, five in Brazil and fourteen in Mexico. Projects are developing in Bolivia, Columbia, and South Africa. Good contacts were made at the Creighton University Global Health Conference.

Iowa MOST – John reported that forty members are scheduled to participate in the Guatemala trip February 22-March 1. Cataract surgery will be performed in a second hospital. Tom Novak from Iowa City will be the general pediatrician.

World Bicycle Relief - Mike reported that 984 bicycles, 1700 with matching incentives, have been purchased from 65 district clubs. The February 24 Ankeny auction will have bike fund raising option.

Xicotepec – Tom reported that the trip this year will be March 10-18. Session on Xicotepec will be presented at RYLA and PETS.

13. New Business:

Chris will be a presidents representative in District 5390, Montana, April 27-28. Bill announced that thirteen Guardian of Integrity applications have been received.

14. Old Business: None

15. Next Scheduled Meeting: May 17, 2018, following the Budget and Finance meeting at 10:00

16. Adjournment: John moved to adjourn at 12:22.