



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
District 6000**



**Loring Miller
District Governor 2015-16**

MINUTES

District 6000 Board of Directors
Thursday, May 19, 2016
District Office, Pella, IA

PRESENT: DG Loring Miller (chair); John Ockenfels, Gov. 14-15; Jacque Andrew, Gov. 13-14 (secretary); Terry Geiger, Gov. 12-13; Chris Knapp, Gov. 16-17; Mike Ruby, Gov. 17-18; Tom Narak, Gov. 18-19, Donald Patterson, Gov. 11-12, Bill Tubbs, Gov. 04-05 (ex-officio) and Carolyn Scharff, Administrator (ex-officio.)

The meeting was called to order by Chair DG Loring at 1 pm. A quorum (100%) was present.

AGENDA: The agenda was presented by Miller and on vote of a motion from Ockenfels and second by Geiger, it was approved as revised.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Geiger and second from Patterson to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, February 23, 2016 meeting. Motion passed.

BUDGET and

FINANCE: The report of the actions of the Budget and Finance committee were accepted on a motion by Knapp and second by Geiger. Passed.

DG REPORT: DG Loring reported that all was going well in the district. At this point TRF donations are up and could be on track to be a record year.

On a motion by DGD Narak and a second by DGE Chris which passed, DRFC Geiger was authorized to review documentation regarding a club's community service grants and determine outcome making a recommendation to the Board to settle the issue immediately.

IPDG Ockenfels reported on the 2015-16 warm coat project. 8,000 were purchased for D6000 use and 1,000 were used in D5970. From all accounts, clubs want to continue to participate in the project.

Geiger reported that there was \$97,000 in DDF remaining.

District administrator Carolyn Scharff presented a change to the District 6000 Conference Cancellation and Refund Policy (adopted June 4, 2013). The following is the policy as amended on a motion by PDG Patterson with a second by PDG Ockenfels and passed:

"It shall be the policy of District 6000 to consider possible registration refunds with the understanding that certain costs may have been committed to and money spent, based upon the expectation that a certain number of attendees have registered to attend.

Event registration includes meals. Those meal counts are guaranteed to the hotel 72 hours prior to the event. Therefore:

- If you cancel more than 7 days prior to the event there will be \$50 service charge assessed from any refund to cover administrative costs.
- If you cancel between 7 days and the 72 hour (3 day) meals guarantee, you will receive 50% of the registration as a refund.
- If you cancel within 72 hours of the event, there shall be no refund.

In the event there are unique or special considerations, an exception may be approved with a written request to the District Governor for a final decision. Such request must be made no later than 14 days following the final day of the District Conference.”

Geiger reported on the Rotary Leadership Institute. Forty from the district have participated in some aspect of the program. Upcoming classes are: June 11 in West Des Moines; July 9 in Omaha/Lincoln; August 27 in Iowa City and October 15 in Omaha/Lincoln.

PROJECTS: DG Miller reported that he is working to establish a data base at Chris’s request for alumni of youth programs, their parents, etc. who might become active as Rotarians.

At DG Miller’s request, District PI Chair Andrew reported. As Zone Convention promotion chair, Andrew reported that 256 from the zone were registered for the convention including 16 from D6000. Over 500 attended the Zone 28-29 breakfast held in partnership with zones 25-26 of which Andrew was co-chair with a few from D6000 joining in. She also reported on polio eradication stories in Iowa media.

DG Miller reported on several projects including the \$12,121 which was raised from the conference ping pong ball drop with a net of \$9,474.59 with \$9,500 being sent to help with the RAG4Clubfoot VTT in Brazil. He also reported that a Meredith Publishing documentary was being filmed including May 3 with Governor Terry Branstad signing a proclamation that May 20, 2016 would be “Drive Jefferson Highway Day.”

DGE REPORT: DGE Knapp reported that 84 had pre-registered for District Conference 2017 in Coralville, Iowa. He noted that during his club visits he would be focusing on succession planning, club visioning, flexibility in dues structure for younger members and that a copy of club by-laws should be sent to the District Office.

DGN REPORT: DGN Ruby said he plans to visit 15-20 clubs after Christmas 2016. He also announced that his district conference would be April 12-14, 2018.

DGD REPORT: DGD Narak reported that the 2016 Xicotepec trip was a huge success. “One of the best groups of students ever.”

On a motion by DGD Narak and second by PDG Ockenfels, \$2,000 from the District discretionary funds be allocated to send District Administrator Carolyn Scharff and her husband John to the RI convention in Atlanta in 2017. Motion passed.

COL REPORT: PDG Tubbs reported that there will be an article about enactments in the next Newsletter. He did announce that RI dues will increase \$4 per year starting July 1, 2017.

NCPETS REPORT: NCPETS General Chair Andrew reported that RIPE Ian Riseley wants to attend NCPETS, schedule just needs to be arranged. Other speakers include: RID/RIVPE Jennifer Jones, RIDE Robb Knuepfer and RID Brad Howard, chair of the North American Membership Team. Plans are well underway for the event to be held in Ames at the Scheman Center on the Iowa State University campus with Friday evening dinner at the Gateway Hotel.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the board of directors was changed to Tuesday, October 11 following a 2 PM Budget and Finance meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

PDG Patterson moved and DGE Knapp seconded a motion to adjourn at 3:45 pm. Motion passed. Patterson was wished well as this is his last meeting as a member of the board.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jacquie Andrew", is written in blue ink on a light-colored rectangular background.

Jacque Andrew, Gov. 13-14