# District 6000 Board of Directors May 27, 2021 minutes

10:30 am online

All members were present. Scott Naumann and Norlan Hinke, incoming board members, also attended. Two ex officio members were present, Bill Tubbs and Carolyn Scharff, District 6000 Administrator.

District Governor (DG) Steve Dakin called the meeting to order. The agenda was approved, a quorum was verified, and the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

# **Budget and Finance Committee Report**

Budget and Finance Committee Chair, Past District Governor (PDG) Mike Ruby shared the committee report. All things in the budget look good. One caution noted was the continued decline of members in District 6000. It was moved by Devin Boyer and seconded by PDG Erna Morain to approve the recommendation that in order for expense reimbursement to occur, expenses must be qualified and pre-approved by the DG and they must be submitted by July 31<sup>st</sup> of the following budget year. The motion was approved unanimously.

Due to information shared by Rotary International for all Districts, starting July 1, 2021, all checks to reimburse a DG should not be signed by the current DG. In our District, for as long as he is on the Budget and Finance Committee, Steve Dakin will be the second signature for current DG reimbursement checks. Motion by Ruby and seconded by Wieneke. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### **District Team Reports:**

DG Dakin shared that only 5 more Rotarians are still needed to help at RYLA this summer.

District Governor Elect (DGE) Alka Khanolkar asked if the Rotary provided liability coverage will cover RYLA this year. DG Dakin indicated that he will check with RI.

#### DG Steve Dakin Report:

DG Dakin shared the District Conference was a great success. There were 132 people attending in person and 48 joined virtually. Over 25K was raised to donate to PolioPlus and Sukup Safe Homes.

He shared that many clubs are now meeting in person and virtually. He has shared ideas for clubs to look at alternative times and other possibilities to boost membership. He said some clubs are looking at starting a downtown club. Only 2 clubs are still not meeting due to the impact of the pandemic. At the end of April there were 3302 members in District 6000.

#### DGE Alka Khanolkar Report:

DGE Khanolkar complimented DG Dakin for a great conference.

She explained that one focus she will work on this coming year is to help clubs in their planning for the future beyond one year. She is meeting frequently with upcoming District leaders. She has attended many club meetings this year by Zoom. She is currently working on her calendar of visits and District dates. PDG Chris Knapp explained that in 2021-22 there will not be any RYE inbound students, but outbound student training will still happen in 2021-22 for 2022-23.

RI President Elect Shekhar Mehta spoke at a virtual meeting of the Ames Morning Rotary Club. Many members of District 6000 attended virtually. So far, she has participated in 7 projects with local clubs. She recently hosted a Zoom meeting with Action Team Chairs for others to learn more about the teams. She is working on finalizing plans for the gavel passing. Near the end of her year, she anticipates doing a project with Rotary 1 in Chicago along with an opportunity for District 6000 members to visit the Paul Harris home.

#### **DGN Steve Wieneke Report:**

DGN Wieneke shared that he will be retiring from his career on October 1, 2021. He plans on visiting clubs this coming year. He is working on his calendar of dates for 2022-23. He anticipates having three conference locations and meetings in 2023. Rotary Leadership Institute will occur and is being planned for the fall and spring. RI Assembly for incoming DGs will occur Jan 16-20, 2023. Planning for NC PETS for 2022 has started.

There was some discussion of the Zone Rotarians working to recruit members to attend their conference this coming year.

## **DGND Dennis Drager Report:**

DGND Drager shared that he has been meeting with other members of the DG chain to learn and begin planning for the future.

## Old Business:

DG Dakin addressed the Youth Protection Policy.

#### New Business:

Thanks were shared with the outgoing board members.

A new pull up banner will be ordered for the Home Club of the District Governor. This will replace the one made of felt that has been used for many, many years. Carolyn will provide information to DG Steve about the companies that sell pull up banners.

DG Dakin will decide how any surplus that ends up within his continency budget line item will be utilized.

A recording of the May 24 Action Team Chairs presentation will be emailed to all district members.

Some discussion was held about the date for the upcoming Grant Review Committee meeting.

Board meeting dates for 2021-22 will be finalized soon by DGE Khanolkar. The first meeting of 2021-22 will be August 5 at 9:30 am, online.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Narak-Secretary