

Rotary District 6000 Budget and Finance Meeting

October 13, 2022

In Attendance: Erna Morain, Tom Narak (Zoom), Steve Dakin, Jean Sheets (Zoom), Bill Tubbs (Zoom), Matt Corwin, Steve Wieneke, Dave Cook and Dennis Drager

Absent: Alka Khanolkar, Tim Trudeau

Guests: Norlan Hinke, Scott Naumann, John Schroeder, Susan Davis and Carolyn Scharff

Meeting was called to order by Chair PDG Erna Morain at 10:03am.

Ascertain Quorum, DGE Dennis Drager verified a quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda, PDG Steve Dakin motion, 2nd DG Steve Wieneke, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from May 12, 2022, DGN Dave Cook motion, DGE Dennis Drager 2nd, motion carried.

Financial Report/Treasurer's Report: Jean Sheets discussed the financial reports and presented the receipts and disbursements for the year ending June 2021. Reported that the ledger has been reconciled through the end of September. By previous board vote, the district closed 2 accounts (Visioning and Club Extension) and the funds have been moved into the general district fund. An error was made in grant disbursements that has been corrected. Motion to file PDG Steve Dakin, DG Steve Wieneke 2nd. Motion carried.

It was noted that one club in the district has not paid district dues (Albia). PDG Tom recommended DG Steve inform clubs this is recorded in the minutes and the names of clubs that have not paid dues will be published in the minutes going forward.

Matt Corwin reviewed the draft of the financial statements. Moved by DGE Drager, PDG Steve Dakin 2nd, motion carried. Matt Corwin presented PDG Alka's recommendations for disbursement of district contingency fund as follows: \$13,000 to H.E.F. with the following breakdown, Prevention of Human Trafficking \$5000, Iowa Disaster Relief Fund \$5000, Xicotepec Project \$1000, Club Foot Project \$1000, Iowa MOST \$1000 and \$700 to TRF for PolioPlus Campaign. Total disbursement of \$13,700. Budget & Finance recommended to the board for approval. PDG Tom commended PDG Alka for her choices. Matt Corwin discussed the Unrestricted General Fund and it was determined that we ended the 20/21 year with 139% regarding District Expenditures, much higher than the 25% the district by-laws require. He recommends that the board review that rule and consider increasing the level above the current 25%.

Matt Corwin reported on the tax return and a line item regarding a \$25,000 RI grant was incorrectly named and will be corrected. An updated tax return will follow via email for approval. It was recommended that any contingency funds in the future be kept in the district general funds. Motion DGN Dave Cook, PDG Steve Dakin 2nd. Motion passed with one vote against.

New Business:

DGE Dennis Drager presented the 2023-2024 proposed budget. Discussion regarding addition of line items and recommendation of certain expenditures to be adjusted.

DG Steve Wieneke requested consideration of reimbursement for a portion of his travel expenses to attend RI Convention in Melbourne in 2023. Corwin recommended a 2022-2023 budget adjustment to include DG RI Convention expenses. Chair Morain recommended an update to district policy and procedure to include a stipend for the sitting governor to attend international convention. It was then recommended for discussion with the district board for approval.

DG Steve Wieneke announced that a classmate from D7980 in Southern Connecticut is closing a dormant "Midwest Tornado Relief" account and D6000 will receive \$3883.48 into the Disaster Relief/Humanitarian Services fund within H.E.F.

PolioPlus Society continues to grow, and buttons and certificates are being provided to members.

DG Steve Wieneke presented information from PDG Mike Ruby regarding a check written in 2017 for \$5000 to the Salisbury House for a Rotary Room. DG Steve Wieneke stated the check has not been processed and asked for a recommendation from the committee on how to proceed. Matt Corwin stated that he is not aware of any outstanding checks for \$5000. DG Steve Wieneke gave all available information to Matt Corwin who will research the records then update the budget and finance committee with his findings.

PDG Steve Dakin recommended to include reimbursement for DG and spouse for Zone, as well as reimbursement for the DG and spouse for the RI Convention. No decision was made on a percentage or dollar amount.

The committee agreed that we need to have language to this extent in the Policies and Procedures. Chair Erna Morain volunteered her husband, Steve, to propose to the committee language for the Policies and Procedures prior to the December 8th meeting.

After discussion on these budget items, PDG Erna Morain recommended that the district policies be updated to include spouse expenses for Zone and RI convention and DG expenses for RI convention.

The district was contacted by a GIVSUM representative, who is also a Rotarian. He is recommending their platform at an annual cost of \$3,300 which would make it available to every club in our district. The board asked for additional information to vet it and consider if there would be advantages to clubs.

Meeting Adjourned 12:26 pm.

Next Meeting: Dec. 8, 2022, in Pella at the District office, 10 a.m.
Future dates: 2/9 Zoom, 5/11 in person