Date: December 2, 2016

Rotary District 5440 Executive Committee

Time: 2:00 pm Location: Teleconference

MEETING MINUTES

Members	Role/Position	Present	Members	Role/Position	Present	Others Present
Phyllis Abt	District Trainer	Α	Mike Tormey	PDG Rep (2015-2017)	Р	
Bryan Cooke	PDG Rep (2016-2018)	Р	Chuck Rutenberg	Ex-Officio/DGN	Р	
Bill Emslie	DGE	Р	Chris Woodruff	Ex-Officio/DGND	Р	
Barbara Redder	DG	Р	Joni Kumor	Ex-Officio/ Treasurer	Р	
David Scriven	PDG Rep (2016-2017)	Р	Jim Epstein	Ex-Officio/DRFC	Р	
Ken Small	Chair/PDG	Р	Kellie Tovar	Ex-Officio/Secretary	Р	

P=Present A=Absent

AGENDA/TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN	Open/ Closed
Call to order at 2:03 pm by Chairman Ken Small	We do have a quorum for today's meeting.		
September 30, 2016 Meeting Minutes – Chairman Small	The September 30, 2016 meeting minutes were distributed prior to this meeting. Chairman Small called for questions, hearing none he asked for a motion to approve these minutes as written.	PDG Bryan Cooke moved to accept the September 30, 2016 meeting minutes as written, DGE Bill Emslie seconded. Chairman Small called for discussion and hearing none he called for the vote. The motion was approved unanimously.	C
2. District Financial Report	The October, 2016 financial reports were distributed prior to this meeting. Treasurer Kumor stated nothing is unusual but she is trying to get Franklin Funds to change the mailing address to her new location so she receives the statements and can account for the interest earned on the account. Revenue is down about \$3,500	No further action necessary.	С

	because membership was down from budget to actual. Treasurer Kumor called for questions. Chuck Rutenberg asked about the RI allocation and clarifying that we are still on the 70/30 split. Barb asked when is the YE committee paid and Joni indicated when they send a bill. Joni will follow-up. Zone requests for reimbursement have been received and everyone is paid.		
3. District Governor Report – DG Barbara Redder	As of November 10 th all 53 club visits are done and they had great autumn weather for traveling. She attended the Zone Instistute in Salt Lake Ctiy and we had four attend the emerging leaders session with positive feedback. Two attended the Rotaract summit. Our Membership, Foundation and Training chair all attended as well. Three attended the Young Professionals Summit but their sessions were not as well received for a variety of reasons. She's shared the information with Greg Podd. Since the last EC meeting she's heard nothing from Sedgwick County. Last she checked the member of concern is still listed as a member of that club. AG was going to follow-up and we have not yet heard back. A membership cadre led a session in Torrington with 15 people in mid-November. These cadres are specially trained in membership issues and the session was very well received. A District membership summit has been scheduled for January 28, 2017 and a cadre will come and lead that session.	No further action necessary.	С

		So far we have 56 people registered for the RI Convention in Atlanta. Early registration ends Dec. 18 th . D5440, 5450 & 5470 are having a joint social while there.		
	I. District Governor Elect Report- DGE Bill Emslie	DGE Emslie indicated he has filled the key positions for next year. Teresa Mueller will be treasurer and will be in contact with Joni Kumor. She lives in Loveland and is a member of Loveland Rotary Club. Our new District Trainer will be Karen Trusler from the Windsor Rotary Club and she is working with Phyllis Abt in the transition. She is a past superintendent for the Windsor school district. All Assistant Governors have been put into place for the 2017-2018 Rotary year. DGE Emslie also attended the Zone Institute and GETS training in Salt Lake City. He continues to meet with PDG Julie Phares in planning for the 2018 District Conference and everything is on track for that. Organizational meetings for a Rotary club in Wellington, CO have been going well. It may be a satellite but not sure yet. The meeting day/time is Friday noon.	PDG Mike Tormey moved to accept the selection of Teresa Mueller as District Treasurer, PDG Bryan Cooke seconded. Chairman Small called for discussion and hearing none he called for the vote. The nomination was accepted by the board unanimously.	С
**	5. District Governor Nominee Report – DGN Chuck Rutenberg	DGN Rutenberg stated as chair of the finance committee he has met with the other members of the finance committee via teleconference and the 2017-2018 District budget is almost complete. The 2019 District Conference will be held in Scottsbluff, NE. Date TBD.	DGN Rutenberg will be finalizing a few things and will get a phone meeting together for next week to answer any questions. He will then distribute the budget to the Executive committee members by email for questions or comments. On January 13, 2017, The Executive Committee completed a review and indicated its consensus of support for the draft 2017-2018 budget prepared by the District Finance Committee. The	С

6.	District Trainer Report –	Phyllis could not be present for this meeting.	review and discussion was conducted by email during the week of January 9-13, 2017.	С
	Phyllis Abt	No report.		_
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	a. Bylaw Recommendations – DGE Bill Emslie	DGE Emslie put together the specific changes for the Bylaws and sent it to Barb for review. It was then sent off to a few Bylaw Committee members. He made phone calls to PDGs Dave Bostrom and Charlie Peterson and found out that neither of them want to serve on the Bylaws committee at this time. DGE Emslie has compiled a set of recommendations so it is just a matter of modifying the bylaws to accept these changes and going through bylaw modification process. Discussion was held on who the replacements for Charlie & Dave could be. DG Redder and DGE Emslie will talk offline and make appointments. Mike Davis and Elisabeth Trefonas are the PPs on the committee.	The Bylaws Committee will report back to the Executive Committee with appropriate changes to the bylaws in the timeliness required by the bylaws so that voting delegates can vote at district conference in Casper, WY.	0
8.	New Business			
	a. Friendship Exchanges	PDG Dave Scriven stated he planned to have a PDG council meeting this month but for a variety of reason it was cancelled. One of the agenda items he was going to bring up was friendship exchanges in the District. PDG Scriven stated he had been working on an exchange with Australia but it did have to be postponed until the 2017-2018 Rotary year but then he found out our District committee was doing an exchange with Australia this Rotary year so he will not pursue the exchange next year. Discussion	No further action necessary.	O

	was held on who in the district should be in charge of coordinating friendship exchanges and it was determined that our Friendship Exchange Committee should make those decisions. PDG Scriven plans to have a mid-January PDG council meeting.		
b. Possible Zone Institute in Jackson, WY – PDG Ken Small	PDG Small has been approached by Larry Dimmitt, incoming RI Director for Zone 21b and Zone 27, to hold the Zone Institute in Jackson Hole. PDG Small is working on a package for them with the hotels.	PDG Small will keep the committee updated as information becomes available.	0
9. Informational Items			
a. Foundation Reports from DRFC Jim Epstein	Download the Foundation report. Bryan sent an email to the committee from Steve Werner a Rotarian working with the peace corps folks in Georgia and has been very active in WASH. Reno Nevada wants to do a study to look at evaluating WASH programs and is asking for \$1,000-\$3,000 to help.	Chairman Small asked PDG Cooke to send an email on the information for consideration.	0
	Discussion was held on who our District Scholarship Chair should be and various names were discussed with PDG John Vandel being recommended. PDG Small stated that PDG Scriven chairs the District 5440 Foundation and in that foundation is approximately \$7,200 from the 2016 District Conference. Out of that money \$1,600 is going to PolioPlus which can be submitted at any time and \$5,400 came out of the silent auction for a water project. PDG Small would entertain any recommendations for use of this money for a	DRFC Epstein will contact PDG Vandel. PDG David Scriven will remit the \$1,600 raised by the youth exchange students at conference for Polio to the PolioPlus fund at TRF. DRFC Epstein will make recommendations on a water project.	

	water project. DRFC Epstein said he would get the word out that there is \$5,400 to go to a water project and if the committee brings the idea to him he will pass it on.		
b. CCRYE Financial Reports	These reports were distributed to the Executive Committee for review.	No further action necessary.	С
Discussion items	None		
Adjournment	PDG Mike Tormey moved to adjourn this meeting, DG Barb Redder seconded. The meeting adjourned 3:02pm.		
	Addendum to the December 2, 2 Executive Committee Meeting December 22, 2016		
WASRAG Study	As per DG Barb Redder's suggestion, I am making the motion for our District 5440 Executive Committee to appropriate \$1000 to fund the Desert Research Institute Honduras WASRAG Study so that the results will be available to District 5440 to incorporate in future sustainable Matching & Global Grants.	The vote: Bryan – Yes Mike – Yes Barb – Yes Dave – No Bill – No Phyllis – No Ken - No	С
	May I please have a vote from the Executive Committee voting members, Yes or No, by return email sent to all the board. YIR, PDG Ken Small Chair, D5440 Executive Committee	The proposal and motion brought forward by PDG Bryan Cooke has drawn comments from all of the voting members of the Executive Committee. The final vote is not in favor of the motion. I would certainly entertain an in person discussion of the concept of	
		management studies at a future in- person meeting of the Executive	

Committee.
PDG Bryan is to be appreciated for picking the DRI proposal out of the flow of information and framing it so we could consider the initiative.
You all have my sincere appreciation for the work you do for this committee, our District, and for Rotary International.
Yours in Rotary, PDG Ken Small Chair, D5440 Executive Committee