



**Minutes**  
**Rotary District 7430 District Leadership Team Meeting**  
**Monday, June 13, 2022**  
**Spinnerstown, PA**

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting. A hybrid meeting of the Rotary District 7430 District Leadership Team was called to order by DG Bob Hobaugh at 6:30 pm. He announced that the DEC will meet in executive session following the DLT session.

B. Attendance. In Attendance were DG Bob Hobaugh, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman, IPDG Janet Kolepp, DGND Katie Farrell, Treasurer Tom Hartzell, Youth Exchange Committee Chair Linda Kennedy, Four-Way Speech Contest Chair Al Engel and his successor, Anna Richter, Interact Chair Bill Thomas, AG Area 1 Rick Zayaitz, Incoming AG Area 2 Kathy Heller, AG Area 3 Amy Sheller, AG Area 4 Jeremiah Sensenig, AG Area 6 Suzi Berry, AG Area 7 Mike Mueller, AG Area 8 Gail Linenberg, PDG Frank Romano, and incoming Secretary Jennifer Isett. Participating by zoom were DGE Len Gieseler, DGN Diane Donaher, Youth Protection Officer Ron Smith and Incoming Membership Chair Dave Czarnecki.

II. Secretary and Treasurer Reports

A. DEC Minutes- 5-16-22. IPDG Janet Kolepp moved, DGE Diane Leonard Gieseler seconded, and it passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2022 District Executive Committee meeting.

B. Treasurer's Report 5-31-22. Treasurer Tom Hartzell reviewed information provided in the Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2022. There was \$132,861.91 in the operating account and \$33,104.39 in the Foundation account. Tom advised that \$3,040 has been received but not reflected on the financial statements for Hershey Park tickets related to the District Conference. That sum will be forwarded to the District Conference account. Tom asked that as many expenses allocated to the 2021-2022 Rotary year be forwarded to him by 6-30-22. Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman moved, DGE Leonard Gieseler seconded and it passed unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2022.

III. Old Business

A. Committee Reports

## 1. Increase our Impact

- a. Foundation Committee- See Report. Chair Cindy Hornaman announced that we exceeded our Annual Fund goal by \$78,741 for a total of \$278,741 and that donated \$67,881 to PolioPlus, again exceeding our goal. Cincy will meet with others soon to discuss our “Journey to the Next Million.” DG Bob Hobaugh congratulated Chair Cindy Hornaman and her Committee for this great success.
  
- b. Public Image—See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Chair Lou Bottitta for his consistent service on Public Image, Welcome Aboard, Vibrant Club News, Learning Committee and as co-President of the Allentown Rotary Club.
  
- c. International Service Committee- No Report. PDG Herb Klotz advised that he picked up some ideas for this Committee at the International Convention.

## 2. Expand our Reach

- a. Membership Committee— No Report. Chair Diane Donaher advised that District 7430 has achieved a membership of 1,754, up 27 net from July 1, 2022. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked her for her work and urged AGs to work with Clubs to reflect new members in the pipeline by June 30, 2022.
  
- b. New Club Advocate – See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked IPDG Janet Kolepp for her assistance in the formation of the Helping Hands Satellite for the Hamburg Rotary Club.
  
- c. Environmental Sustainability Team – See Report. Chair Terry Reed reported that planning for the new year will occur June 25 at The Nature Place. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Terry for leading a team that inspired 40 of our Rotary Clubs to participate in the Rotary Day of Service.
  
- d. DEI Committee- No Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked co-Chairs Mary Cook, Dan Watson-Bey and Peter Jones for meeting their goals and launching a new club assessment for the coming Rotary year.
  
- e. Welcome to Rotary—No Report. Amy Sheller advised that the May 9, 2022 session was lightly attended. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Amy for updating the power points and attracting new speakers for the quarterly program.
  
- d. Rotary Leadership Institute- No Report. DG Bob Hobaugh reported that District 7430 will host an in-person session March 2023 and that we participate in a region that offers many RLI opportunities.

## 3. Enhance Participant Engagement

- a. Learning Committee - See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Chair Gwenn Carr and her committee members for coordinating Project Showcase, Showcase Tuesday, Welcome Aboard and Project Showcase.

- b. Youth Exchange—See Report. Chair Linda Kennedy reported that District 7430 will have 6 outbound students and 8 inbound students in the 2022-2023 Rotary year. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Linda and her committee for offering virtual exchange experiences and laying the groundwork for in-person exchange in the coming year.
- c. Friendship Exchange—See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Chair Dee Eng for the virtual exchange with Barcelona and the Club-to-Club exchange with District 7430.
- d. Interact- See Report. Chair Bill Thomas shared his visits with Interact Clubs, 4 planned visits and a proposed District Interact assembly. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Chair Bill for making connections with Interact Clubs and showing appreciation to their Advisors.
- e. District Conference 2023 - No Report. DGE Leonard Gieseler reported that 44 have registered for the conference and that a video will issue soon.
- f. STEM YEA - See Report. Al Engel noted the Committee request for changes to the youth clearance procedures. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked the Committee for its work in preparing our first academy session at Albright College. 46 students are registered.
- g. Camp Neidig- No Report. DG Bob Hobaugh advised that the Camp will be held at Camp Manatawny in person and that about 74 campers have been sponsored. He encouraged all DLT member to register for the dinner scheduled June 20, 2022 at Camp Manatawny.
- h. Four-Way Test Speech Contest. See Report. Chair Al Engel introduced his successor, Anna Richter, and expressed joy for Chairing the contest over 5 years. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Chair Al and his committee for 5 successful speech competitions. We acknowledged 2022 District winner Jack Geld

#### **4. Increase our Ability to Adapt**

- a. Shelter Box- No Report. DG Bob Hobaugh congratulated Linda Mayger and her team for helping District 7430 be the number one giving District in the USA.
- b. Rotaplast- See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Sue Burnett for planning a fundraiser on October 15, 2022, to fund another Rotaplast mission in 2023.
- c. Grants – Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman advised that she expects the submission of 3 global grant applications. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Cindy and her Committee for their work and for directing \$3,000 in DDF to the Haitian HANWASH project in support of Neil Van Dine who presented on Showcase Tuesday.
- d. Legislative – No Report.

- e. Disaster Grant Applications – DG Bob Hobaugh reminded the DLT that grant applications must be received by June 30, 2022.
  
- f. PolioPlus – See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh advised that Carol Ferguson seeks assistants to make Club visits in 2022-2023. He thanked Chair Carol for entering into a statement with Districts 7410 and 7390 in furtherance of the Foundation’s Call to Action against vaccine hesitancy which will appear in the July “Vibrant Club News.”

B. Assistant Governor Reports.

- 1. Area 1 – Rick Zayaitz. See Report. Rick advised that Launch Lehigh Valley will begin July 1, 2022. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Rick for assisting Derek Davis on the program.
  
- 2. Area 2 – Jean McGill. See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Jean for her years of service as AG and welcome successor AG Area 2 Kathy Heller.
  
- 3. Area 3 – Amy Sheller. See Report. Amy advised that Area 3 will be disbanded July 1, 2022, and may resume July 1, 2023 because a Kutztown Rotarian will likely step up. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Amy for serving as AG in Area 3 for many years.
  
- 4. Area 4 – Jeremiah Sensenig. See Report. Jeremiah said that West Reading-Wyomissing has 5 new members and 4 in the pipeline. They celebrated their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Jeremiah for his service and for taking on Muhlenberg, Hamburg and Reading Rotary Clubs in 2022-2023.
  
- 5. Area 5 – Mark Million. See Report. Net increase of 2 members for the Area. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Mark for shepherding Clubs through virtual meetings to in-person meetings.
  
- 6. Area 6 – Suzy Berry. See Report. Perkasie Rotary is up 4 members from July 1, 2021. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Suzi for a great first year as AG including quarterly President meetings.
  
- 7. Area 7 - Mike Mueller. See Report. Hatboro exceeded its membership goal. 4 Clubs participated in the Rotary Day of Service. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Mike for working with Huntington Valley-Churchville in person and on our website.
  
- 8. Area 8 – Gail Linenberg. See Report. Area growth from 229 to 232 members. Doylestown had a successful 4-Way Test breakfast. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Gail for her regular attendance at Club meetings and working well with each Club.

9. Area 9 – Clint Ehlers. No Report. DG Bob Hobaugh reported that Clint has recovered from back surgery. Clubs are adding members. Norristown had its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Clint for his hard work and great sense of humor.

C. Other Old Business.

1. District Youth Protection Policy. The DEC will meet in executive session to consider the policy.
2. Administrative Assistant. DGE Leonard Gieseler said there is no news.
3. Succession Planning 2022-2023. DGE Leonard Gieseler said that he will soon post his succession plan to the District website.

IV. New Business

A. District Events.

1. Project Showcase. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Amy Sheller for a terrific video that has been noticed outside our District. Chris Jones of District 7680 will use it to promote fellowship.
2. Showcase Tuesday. DG Bob Hobaugh reported that Showcase Tuesday on June 21, 2022, will feature PRID Stephanie Urchick and Club Advocate Tom Gump presenting “Transforming your Club’s Culture.”
3. Vibrant Club News. Send Club articles for the “Vibrant Club News” to <https://bit.ly/7430VibrantNews> on or before June 30, 2022.

B. Governance Matters

1. DGN - No Report
2. DGE - See Report. District meetings will take place at the Main Street Pub, 505 Main Street, Bally, PA.
3. DG -See Report. DG Bob Hobaugh reported that the International Convention was a great success and included about 22 District Rotarians. IPDG Janet Kolepp discussed the Zone 32 Roundup in Houston. Bob thanked the District for the privilege to serve as DG for 2021-2022.

VI. DEC Matters.

- A. An executive session of the DEC was held from 7:45 to 8:30 pm. We reviewed the youth protection policy and process for non-Youth Exchange volunteers in light of the requests made by the STEM YEA Committee. Youth Protection Officer Ron Smith outlined the purpose and procedure for OneSource clearances through ESSEX on which we rely.
  
- B. Ron Smith described a direct online application process for OneSource including (1) applicant trace history, (2) Multi-county criminal (state if available), (3) multi-court jurisdictional, (4) national sex offender registry, and (5) global report. The cost is \$19 plus additional court fees per volunteer check that would be billed to the District. The set up could be in place by the end of this Rotary year. DGN Diane Donaher moved, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman seconded, and it passed unanimously to enter into a direct relationship with OneSource according to the terms described by Ron Smith. He and DG Bob Hobaugh will engage with OneSource.

VII. Next Meeting.

The next District Executive Committee meeting will be held on Monday, July 18, 2022, at the Main Street Pub in Bally, PA.

VIII. Adjournment

DGE Len Gieseler moved, DGN Diane Donaher seconded, and it passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:45 pm.