





# Rotary District 7430 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Monday, July 19, 2021

Quakertown, PA

#### I. Call to Order.

- A. Meeting. The Meeting of the District 7430 Executive Committee was called to order by DG Bob Hobaugh at 6:30 pm. In Attendance were DG Bob Hobaugh, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman, Annual Fund Coordinator Katie Farrell, Treasurer Tom Hartzell, AG Rick Zayaitz, DGN Diane Donaher, DEI Co-Chair Mary Cook, IPDG Janet Kolepp, DGE Leonard Gieseler, Susan Burnett, Linda Kennedy, Rose Galeano-Phillips, Eileen Prokop and Gordon Bigelow.
- B. <u>PDG Linda R. Young.</u> The meeting began with a remembrance of PDG Linda R. Young for whom a funeral service was held earlier on July 19, 2021. DG Bob sent a memorial notice to all Rotarians in District 7430. He expressed great loss with Linda's passing.
- C. <u>Eileen R. Prokop.</u> DG Bob Hobaugh introduced Rotarian Eileen R. Prokop who will serve as Administrative Assistant for the District. DGE Leonard Gieseler moved, DGN Diane Donaher seconded, and it was approved unanimously to authorize execution by the District of the Independent Contractor Agreement prepared by Parliamentarian George Morrison with Eileen Prokop as Administrative Assistant. Two copies of the Independent Contractor Agreement were signed by DG Bob Hobaugh and Eileen R. Prokop. A welcome was given to Eileen.

# II. Secretary and Treasurer Reports.

- A. <u>DLT Minutes.</u> DGN Diane Donaher moved, DGE Leonard Gieseler seconded and it passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2021 meeting of the District Leadership Team.
- B. <u>Treasurer's Report.</u> Treasurer Tom Hartzell reviewed information provided in a previously emailed Treasurer's Report. A short discussion took place. DGE Leonard Gieseler moved, FC Cindy Hornaman seconded, and it passed unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending June 30, 2021.

# III. Old Business.

<u>A. Committee Reports.</u> Committee reports were circulated in advance to the District Leadership Team for the month. Below are additions to the reports:

# 1. Increase our Impact.

- a. <u>Foundation Committee</u>. Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman asked for a discussion about the proposed Polio Plus Society (PPS) program which is similar to the Paul Harris Society. She preferred and it was a consensus expressed by DEC members that the District will focus on Annual Fund giving and not undertake a PPS program. Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman stated that many Clubs do not have any Foundation goals set in Club Central. Annual Fund Chair Katie Farrell has followed up with the Area Foundation Coordinators.
- b. <u>International Service Committee</u>. A virtual meeting of the Committee was held. Discussion took place regarding travel and requiring COVID 19 vaccinations for those that travel in Rotary Friendship Exchanges following the policies for ESSEX student exchange. The DEC will further discuss this matter.

#### 2. Expand our Reach.

- a. <u>Membership Committee</u>. DGN Diane Donaher reported that the next August Showcase Tuesday will be about Membership and that the Committee is planning other activities to enhance our membership during the year.
- b. <u>DEI Committee.</u> Surveys conducted after the first two presentations revealed that the DEI presentations were well received.

# 3. Enhance Participant Engagement.

- a. <u>Youth Exchange.</u> Linda Kennedy reported that the virtual exchange has gone well. We are looking forward to beginning live exchanges the following year.
- b. <u>Rotex Alumni.</u> Rose Galeano-Phillips reported that the scavenger hunt went well. She will further discuss with DG Bob Hobaugh participation in the Potato Project and a picnic at her house.
- c. <u>District Conference 2022.</u> Committee Chair DGN Diane Donaher reported that the Committee will meet at Hershey on August 5, 2021, and that registration will open by August.

# 4. <u>Increase our Ability to Adapt.</u>

a. <u>Rotaplast.</u> DG Bob Hobaugh noted that PDG Linda R. Young served passionately as Rotaplast Chair at least three years and that Rotaplast would be a suitable beneficiary for gifts given in Linda's memory, in addition to beneficiaries named in the obituary.

#### IV. New Business.

#### A. District Events and Fundraisers.

- 1. Shelter Box. There will be a Stock the Box fundraiser at the Steel Club on September 10, 2021. DG Bob Hobaugh reminded the DEC that our goal will be to get a donation, no matter what amount, from each Club in the District.
- 2. <u>District 7430 Golf Tournament</u>. The Tournament will be held September 20, 2021, at Brookside Country Club in Pottstown. DGE Leonard Gieseler encouraged the DEC to register in foursomes.
- 3. <u>Purple Pinkie Race to Zero and Oktoberfest</u>. The PolioPlus fundraiser will occur October 2, 2021, at the Community Fire Company No. 1 of North Whitehall in Schnecksville and include food and drink in addition to the 5 kilometer event.
- B. Governance Matters.
- 1. <u>District Governor Nominee Report</u>. See report.
- 2. <u>District Governor Elect Report</u>. See report.
- 3. District Governor Report.
  - a. <u>Environmental Sustainability Committee</u>. DG Bob Hobaugh advised that Terry Reed of the West Reading Wyomissing Rotary Club has agreed to Chair the Committee which will meet to determine its mission and priorities following the new seventh area of focus effective July 1, 2021.
  - b. <u>Outstanding Rotarian.</u> DG Bob Hobaugh advised that the District may nominate an outstanding Rotarian serving to eradicate polio. He will speak with Carol Ferguson.
  - c. <u>STEM YEA.</u> DG Bob Hobaugh advised that he has asked the attorney who worked on the IRC §501(c)(3) tax determination for the District 7430 Foundation to advise regarding an expanded role of the Foundation as an eligible education organization under the Pennsylvania earned income tax credit program.
  - d. <u>Club Central.</u> DG Bob Hobaugh discussed the follow up with Clubs without goals in Rotary Club Central as well as the need to establish President-Elects to serve as Presidents during the 2022-2023 year.
- V. <u>Next Meeting.</u> The next meeting of the DEC will occur August 16, 2021 at 6:30 pm in Quakertown unless another meeting site is located.
- VI. <u>Adjournment.</u> IPDG Janet Kolepp moved, DGE Leonard Gieseler seconded, and it passed unanimously to adjourn at 7:50 pm.