



Rotary District 7430 Leadership Team Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 13, 2021
Quakertown, PA

I. Call to Order.

- A. Meeting. The Meeting of the District 7430 Leadership Team was called to order by DG Bob Hobaugh at 6:30 pm.
- B. Attendance. In Attendance were DG Bob Hobaugh, DGE Leonard Gieseler, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman, DGN Diane Donaher, IPDG Janet Kolepp, Treasurer Tom Hartzell, PDG Herb Klotz, Youth Exchange Chair Linda Kennedy, Annual Fund Coordinator Katie Farrell, Area 2 AG Jean McGill, Area 3 AG Amy Sheller, Area 4 AG Jeremiah Sensenig, Area 5 AG Mark Million, Area 6 AG Suzi Berry, Area 7 AG Michael Mueller, Area 8 AG Gail Linenberg, Area 9 AG Clint Ehlers, Friendship Exchange Chair Dee Eng, Alumni Chair Rose Galeano-Phillips, Four-Way Test Speech Contest Chair Albrecht Engel and Gwenn Pongracz.

II. Secretary and Treasurer Reports.

- A. DEC Minutes. DGE Leonard Gieseler moved, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman seconded and it passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2021 meeting of the District Executive Committee.
- B. Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Tom Hartzell reviewed information provided in a previously emailed Treasurer's Report. A short discussion took place. The balance sheet for the operating account shows a balance of \$82, 250.01 as of August 31, 2021. The Foundation Account shows a balance of \$69,695.41 as of August 31, 2021. IPDG Janet Kolepp moved, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman seconded, and it passed unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2021.

III. Old Business.

A. Committee Reports. 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. Foundation Committee. Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman said that the Foundation Seminar will be held November 6, 2021, at De Sales University. See report.
 - b. Public Image Committee. See report. DG Bob Hobaugh thanked Lou Bottitta for his work with "Welcome Aboard." See report.
 - c. International Service Committee. PDG Herb Klotz reported that 37 Clubs have supported the Yvette Palmer Purple Pinkie Race to Zero. He announced that he and John Scott will not lead this event in 2022. See report.
2. Expand our Reach.
- a. Membership Committee. DGN Diane Donaher reported that the District began the Rotary year with 1727 members and now has 1714 members. IPDG Janet Kolepp discussed new Club formation. See report.
 - b. DEI Committee. The Committee will address the Allentown West Rotary Club.
 - c. Welcome to Rotary. Chair Amy Sheller said the first quarterly presentation will be September 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm. See report for other dates.
 - d. Rotary Leadership Institute. RLI NEA will hold sessions September 16, 2021 in Scranton and virtually from Harrisburg on September 23, 2021.
3. Enhance Participant Engagement.
- a. Learning Committee. This Committee handles Project Showcase, Showcase Tuesday, Welcome Aboard and Vibrant Club News.
 - b. Youth. No report.
 - c. Youth Exchange. Linda Kennedy reported that the virtual exchange has concluded. She and others discussed New Generations Youth Exchange. We are looking forward to beginning live exchanges next year. See report.
 - d. Friendship Exchange. Chair Dee Eng discussed the Barcelona virtual meetings and Club-to-Club activities. See report.
 - e. Rotex Alumni. Chair Rose Galeano-Phillips noted that the Alumni could participate in the Potato Project harvests.
 - f. District Conference 2022. Committee Chair DGN Diane Donaher reported that the Committee is securing speakers, structuring events and that the website will soon be available for discounted registration.
 - g. STEM YEA. Chair Michael Orbin reported that the program is on track to begin July 2022. See report.

h. Four-Way Test Speech Contest. Chair Al Engel said the next meeting will be 9-15-21 at 8:00 pm. See report.

4. Increase our Ability to Adapt.

a. Administrative Assistant. Eileen Prokop could not attend the meeting. She has circulated reports and posted events on the District website.

b. ShelterBox. Linda Mayger reported that proceeds from the Stock-the-Box event have reached \$44,500 and continue to be received. Excellent event.

c. Rotaplast. See report.

IV. Assistant Governor Reports.

1. Area 1. See report.

2. Area 2. Jean McGill reported that the Clubs meet mostly by zoom and large fundraisers are coming. The Saucon-Center Valley Club members will join other Clubs. See report.

3. Area 3. Amy Sheller reported that Fleetwood's Gourmet Gala is scheduled for October 20, 2021. The Reading Club will have an auction at the Sterling on November 4, 2021. See report.

4. Area 4. Jeremiah Sensenig reported that 3 Clubs have no entered goals in Club Central. West Reading-Wyomissing will participate in the West Reading Fall Fest. See report.

5. Area 5. Mark Million reported that Collegeville now meets virtually. See report.

6. Area 6. Suzi Berry advised that the Souderton-Telford Club is doing well. See report.

7. Area 7. Mike Mueller reported that Hatboro lost its fundraiser and that Huntingdon Valley-Churchville is struggling. See report.

8. Area 8. Gail Linenberg reported that the Ride for Heroes has been postponed until June 2022. See report.

9. Area 9. Clint Ehlers reported that Norristown has not entered goals. See report.

V. New Business.

A. Shelter Box. The Stock the Box fundraiser was at the Steel Club on September 10, 2021. The event raised \$44,500, a new record.

B. District 7430 Golf Tournament. DGE Leonard Gieseler reported that the event has been postponed.

- C. Potato Project. DG Bob Hobaugh invited DLT members to register for one or both events on 9-18-21 and 9-25-21.
- D. Purple Pinkie Race to Zero and Octoberfest. Herb Klotz reported at that 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 5K, 1-miler, bicycle run events. He and John Scott will not organize the event on 2022.
- E. Governance Matters.
 - 1. District 7430 Foundation. DG Bob Hobaugh reported that the Foundation Board met this afternoon. The Board discussed governance, election of officers, minutes, Treasurer's Reports, annual filings, bank accounts, and scholarship funds.
 - 2. District Governor Nominee Report. DGN Diane Donaher is learning about leadership. See report.
 - 3. District Governor Elect Report. DGE Len Gieseler reported on GETS training and that PETS I will occur in person this October. See report.
 - 4. District Governor Report. DG Bob Hobaugh reported on the Environmental Sustainability Committee, the October theme of Economic and Community Development, and Club visits. See report.
 - 5. Leadership and Ethics Conference. Gwenn Pongracz reported on the 12th conference to be held virtually from October 19-20, 2021. The Allentown West Rotary Club is responsible for this event.
- VI. Next Meeting. The next meeting of the DEC will occur October 18, 2021 at 6:30 pm in Quakertown unless another meeting site is located.
- VII. Adjournment. IPDG Janet Kolepp moved, DGE Leonard Gieseler seconded, and it passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:04 pm.