



**Rotary District 7430 District Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 18, 2021
Quakertown, PA**

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting. The Meeting of the Rotary District 7430 District Executive Committee was called to order by DG Bob Hobaugh at 6:30 pm

B. Attendance. In Attendance were DG Bob Hobaugh, DGE Len Gieseler(by telephone), DGN Diane Donaher, Foundation Chair Cindy Hornaman, IPDG Janet Kolepp, Treasurer Tom Hartzell, Al Engel, Chair 4 way Speech Contest and STEM, Linda Kennedy, Youth Exchange, Mary Cook, DEI.

C. Administrative Assistant

Discussion took place regarding advertising for a new Administrative Assistant for the District. An e-mail announcing the available position will be sent to all Rotarians.

II. Secretary and Treasurer Reports

A. DLT Minutes. DGN Diane moved and DGE Len seconded and it passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2021 District Leadership Team meeting.

B. Treasurer’s Report. Treasurer Tom Hartzell reviewed information provided in previously emailed Treasurer’s Report for the month ending September 30, 2021. A short discussion took place. Tom informed the group that there are 14 Rotary Clubs that have not yet paid the district dues. Finance Chair Keegan is working on DG expenditures to date. No information has yet been provided for financial review of the District Conference, Youth Exchange or Camp Neidig. The District Grants monies will be transferred from the District 7430 Foundation account to the District 7430 operating account. We have been notified that Buckno Lisicky & Co. will no longer provide financial services for the District without market charges. Proposals being sent out to other accounting firms. We will have to pay for these services in the future. A motion was made by Cindy to accept the Treasurer’s Report, seconded by Diane and it passed unanimously to approve the Treasurers Report.

III. Old Business

A. Committee Reports

1. Increase our Impact

a. Foundation Committee- See report. Committee Chair Cindy Hornaman advised that she will update the Foundation and International Service portions of the District website. DGE Len will be sending out letter announcing new grant application period. In transition training new grant chairs for next year.

b. Public Image—See report. Looking for more people to help with Public Image Committee. Lou Bottitta has been active with the Learning Committee.

c. International Service Committee—See report. International Service Committee will have a breakout session at District Foundation Seminar.

d. Polio Plus Committee. See report.

e. Environmental Sustainability Committee See report. DG Bob Reported that a new District Environmental Sustainability Committee has been formed with Terry Reed of the West Reading Wyomissing Rotary Club as Chair and about 12 member Rotarians.

2. Expand our Reach

a. Membership Committee—See report. DGN Diane looking for help with membership committee. Discussion took place regarding ways to engage clubs in membership.

(i) Innovative Club Advocate – See report by PDG Janet Kolepp

b. DEI Committee- See report. Mary Cook reported there has been some pushback on DEI and discussed situation in one Club.

c. Welcome to Rotary. The first session was held virtually on September 27, 2021. The next event is November 8, 2021.

d. Rotary Leadership Institute- Looking at 2 possible dates in the Spring of 2022 and coordinating with RLINEA. Looking to schedule in 2023 at Ursinus College.

3. Enhance Participant Engagement

a. Learning Committee. See report

b. Youth Exchange—See Report. Linda Kennedy reported that work is being done with 8 students applying for outbound exchanges. Discussion took place regarding Sharon Rittenhouse scholarship.

c. Friendship Exchange—See report

d. Rotex – Alumni Committee. No report

e. Four Way Speech Contest Committee. - See Report

f. District Conference 2022- Diane reported that registration is open.

g. STEM YEA. See report Al Engel reported that the group is looking to hold a fund raiser possibly on January 29, 2021 at the Indian Valley Country Club. Discussion took place regarding the procedures needed to be complete for the STEM YEA program as well as possibly transferring administration to the Allentown West Rotary Club Foundation.

h. Camp Neidig- See report. PDG Cindy moved, PDG Janet seconded and it passed unanimously to approve the COVID-19 Policy for Camp Neidig drafted by Dr. Michael Seidner, District 7430 COVID-19 Advisor.

i. Interact- DG Bob reminded the DEC that Fleetwood Rotarian Bill Thomas will Chair Interact. See report

4. Increase our Ability to Adapt

a. Shelter box- See Report

b. Rotaplast- No report

c. Grants. No report.

d. Legislative. No report

e. Council on Resolutions. DG Bob said that he reviewed 36 proposed Resolutions, will discuss with PDG Doug Cook, and ask PDG Doug to circulate his summary review with the DEC.

B. Other Old Business.

1. STEM YEA – SETI Contract Review. No report from Parliamentarian. DG Bob proposed to reallocate up to \$5,000 from unused budgeted expenses for the legal costs and expenses for requisite amendments to the article of incorporation and bylaws of District 7430 Foundation to create a home for the SYEM YEA program. PDG Janet moved, DGN Diane seconded and it passed unanimously to reallocate up to \$5,000 from unused budgeted expenses for the legal costs and expenses for requisite amendments to the article of incorporation and bylaws of District 7430 Foundation to create a home for the SYEM YEA program.
2. Purple Pinkie. DG Bob reported that Allentown West Rotary Club will not Chair the event in 2022. He is discussing with other Clubs to Chair with guidance from John Scott and PDG Herb Klotz.
3. ShelterBox Stock the Box. No report.

IV. New Business

1. President-Elect Training. Initial training completed for Areas 1-4. Areas 5-6 will be Tuesday. Areas 7-9 to be held at the end of October.
2. Foundation Seminar. To be held November 6, 2021. Registration on the District website. DG Bob will send a global e-mail for registration.
3. Showcase Tuesday. Our October 12th presenter on Community and Economic Development was Matthew Kane speaking on LaunchRALEIGH. Some interest in replicating LaunchRALEIGH through LaunchMyCity program in District 7430.
4. Bethlehem Book Club. The Bethlehem Club will host a book club open to District Rotarians beginning 11-17-21. Reading Educated: A Memoir.

V. Governance Matters

1. DGN - No report
2. DGE - See report
3. DG -See report

VI. Next Meeting : DEC November 15, 2021

VII. Adjournment . DGN Diane moved, DGE Len seconded and it passed unanimously to adjourn at 7:57pm.