

DISTRICT 5970 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 24, 2021

ZOOM FORMAT

4:00 P.M.

The August 24, 2021 Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Chair Michelle Bell at 4:00 p.m.. via Zoom format. The following Board members were present: Board Chair Michelle Bell, PDG Lowell Stoolman, DG Jeff Hassman, Foundation Chair John Wasta, DGE Don Meyer, DGN Carole Bernhard, DGN-D Shannon Duncan, and Treasurer Eric Levenhagen. Also present was District Executive Secretary Suellen Kolbet.

DES Kolbet declared a quorum present.

Moved by Hassman, seconded by Bernhard; That the Consent Agenda be approved. All ayes. Motion carried. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Minutes of **5-4-21** BOD Meeting
RYLA Board minutes of 2-19-21, 5-7-21, and 8-6-21 (draft)
DG Line minutes of 7-6-21
Foundation Committee minutes of 6-8-21, 7-12-21, and 8-9-21
District Grants Committee minutes of 7-15-21
Public Image minutes of 5-11-21
Google Analytics for May, June, and July, 2021
Electronic votes since last Board meeting
DG Nominating Committee meeting of 5-10-21

The Board reviewed the following reports:

District Governor Activity report
District Secretary Activity report
Membership Committee
YRYLA
DRFCC Report
District Grants Committee Report
Peace and global Scholar Committee Report
RYE Report

Moved by Meyer, seconded by Wasta; To approve Committee and Leadership reports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Financial Reports for the period ending June 30, 2021 and July 31, 2021 were discussed. Treasurer Levenhagen told the Board that the District is in a good financial position. There is approximately \$59,000 more cash in the General Account on June 30, 2021 than there was on June 30, 2020, due to COVID cancelling most events. Moved by Hassman, seconded by Bernhard; That Financial Reports be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

Foundation Chair Wasta reported that the 2020-2021 District Grant report has been approved. The Grants Committee approved 16 projects for the 2021-2022 year. These will need to be entered into the

system at Rotary International for the District to receive the funds. After the conclusion of the Board meeting, Michelle Bell will train John Wasta and Jim Coloff on how to enter them.

DG Hassman reported on the Future Leaders applications for the Zone Institute in September. Three were budgeted for and three applications were received. However, the third candidate did not respond so two candidates will go - Katie Wilford from the Linn County Club and Stefanie Munsterman-Scriven from the Cedar Rapids Club.

DES Kolbet asked that the latest version of the RYLA Youth Protection Policy be approved. It has been approved by District Youth Protection Officer Ralph Smith. Moved by Meyer, seconded by Stoolman; That the RYLA Youth Protection Policy be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Hassman, seconded by Bernard; That the appointment of Michelle Bell and Jane Schlegel to the RYLA Board be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

DG Hassman reported that the All Iowa district Conference 2022 will be held at the Hyatt Hotel in Coralville on April 22 and 23, 2022. Registration is now open and the Committee is hoping for close to 400 attendees.

Jill Olson has offered to write the application for the Service Above Self Award. The District Governor selects the candidate. The only requirement is the candidate cannot be the immediate Past District Governor, or someone who has already received it. Hassman has received several suggestions, and asked the Board to let him know of any other possible candidates.

PDG Bell reported that the Virtual International Convention was not well attended.

DGE Meyer reported that he hopes to have the One Rotary Summits in person this year. He suggested the second Saturday in January as one possible date. The format will be a little different this year. DG Hassman needs suggestions for a District Trainer to help with the One Rotary Summit. DGN Carole Bernard offered to take over this position.

DGE Meyer reported that NCPETS - 2022 will be held on February 24 and 25, 2022 - Thursday evening until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, at the Mystic Lake Casino in Prior Lake, Minnesota. The Committee will be making an onsite visit in September.

DG Hassman reported that Lowell Stoolman will replace Larry Hecht and Nancy Naeve will replace Amy Marlow as Assistant District Governors. A tentative virtual Club Presidents meeting has been scheduled for September 22 to discuss membership related topics. Hassman will keep the Board informed of a firm date and all Assistant District Governors will be asked to attend. He also reported that Dennis Jordan has agreed to be the Membership Chair next year, so a new Assistant District Governor will need to be appointed for his area.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.