

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MAY 15, 2025 - 6:15 P.M.
ZOOM

The District 5970 Board of Directors met on Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. via zoom. Present were PDG and Board Chair Carole Bernhard, DG Shannon Duncan, DGE Ward Budweg, DGN Jeff Halverson, DGN-D Dave Jenson, Foundation Committee Chair Michelle Bell, and District Treasurer Gary Winterhof. Also present was DES Suellen Kolbet.

Board Chair Carole Bernhard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. DES Kolbet declared a quorum present.

Moved by Winterhof, seconded by Bell; That the consent agenda be approved. All ayes. Motion carried. Items on the consent agenda were:

- Minutes of 2-20-2025 BOD Meeting
- Special Board meeting of 3-11-25
- Electronic votes
- DG Line minutes of 4-8-25
- Foundation Committee minutes of 2-20-25, 3-20-25, 4-17-25
- Bylaws Vote
- District Meeting - 5-4-25
- Finance Committee minutes of 3-25-25

Reports were received as follows:

- District Governor Activity report
- District Secretary Activity report
- DRFCC Report
- Global Grant report
- RYE Report
- Membership Report (in person)

PDG and Membership Chair Bernard reported on membership. She has been reaching out to several clubs. She attended a Zone membership meeting. The Membership Committee meeting was poorly attended. She will push the Membership Olympics in the next year.

PDG and Foundation Committee Chair Bell reported that clubs have reached 99.9% of their Annual Fund Goals. They are \$12,000 short on Polio Plus goals, so clubs should be encouraged to achieve their Polio goals. Clubs have not entered their 2025-2026 goals yet. DGE Budweg will contact Presidents Elect to work with them on entering goals in Rotary Club Central, or sending them to the District so they can be entered for them..

District Treasurer Gary Winterhof reported on the Financial Reports. The Balance Sheet shows approximately \$350,000, which is in excess of our required reserves. Investments are staggered over 12 months between three banks. The Budget report shows \$20,000 in income over expenses. Moved by Budweg, seconded by Halverson; To approve the Financial Reports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Bernhard reported on North Central PETS. 33 out of 48 clubs have attended PETS in person or virtually. Of the 15 yet to be trained, six clubs have not designated presidents elect. DGE Budweg will need to make arrangements to train them. There will be a NCPETS Executive meeting next week and she will have more detailed financial information on North Central PETS.

DG Duncan reviewed the District Conference. The Gratitude Exercise was well received. Pictures are available from the Kululu App on the District Website and Facebook.

DGE Budweg reported on the 2026 District Conference. He will not be joining with District 6000 to do an all-Iowa conference. He feels it is important for Rotarians in the District to get together. He needs to work on what the right way to do that is. The Board discussed different options and ways to encourage participation. It is the District Governor's choice but the Board needs to be behind the District Governor's decision.

DG Duncan has been contacted by Peter Teahen. He is planning another Flight to End Polio and asked if we would support it as we did the last Flight. We need to see how we can be of help. The Flight will occur in September.

A date needs to be set to work on the strategic plan. Kolbet will send out a form request with possible Tuesday or Thursday dates.

Moved by Budweg, seconded by Jenson; That the amended Manual of Policies and Procedures be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Board discussed dates for 2025-2026 Board meetings and DG Line meetings. The meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings. Kolbet will send out proposed dates for approval. The next meeting will be on August 19, 2025 at 6:15 p.m. Foundation Committee meetings will be moved to Tuesdays as well.

Moved by Budweg, seconded by Bell; That the meeting adjourn at 8:12 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.