

DISTRICT 5970 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 3, 2022
ZOOM FORMAT
4:00 P.M.

The May 3, 2022 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, DGE Don Meyer, Foundation Chair John Wasta, and Treasurer Eric Levenhagen . Also present was District Executive Secretary Suellen Kolbet, Youth Exchange Chair John Schultz, Global Scholar Chair Chris Lindell, and District Governor Elect for 2025-2026 Ward Budweg.

DES Kolbet declared a quorum present.

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

Minutes of **2-1-22** BOD Meeting
DG Line minutes of April 5, 2022
Committee minutes of 2-14, 3-14, 4-11
ADG Meeting of 2-22-22
DG Nominating Committee minutes of 3-28-22
Membership Committee meeting of 1-26-22
RYLA Board minutes of 11-5-21 and 2-11-22
Finance Committee meeting of 4-28-22
District meeting to approve 2020-2021 Financials 4-19-22
Electronic votes
Google Analytics for January, March, 2022

The Board reviewed the following reports:

District Secretary Activity report
DRFCC Report
RYLA Report

Global Scholar Chair Chris Lindell reported that he has had several inquiries regarding the Global Scholar program, but non qualified. He will be contacting colleges by Mail. Michelle Bell suggested he contact former RYLA students. A facebook post regarding the program including videos of former Global Scholars was boosted and appeared to get a lot of activity.

District Governor Jeff Hassman reported on the All Iowa District Conference. It was very successful and has received positive reviews. They are still finalizing the bills, and are hopeful there will be a surplus.

Financial Reports for the period ending April 30, 2022 were discussed. Moved by Meyer, seconded by Hassman; That Financial Reports be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by hassman, seconded by Wasta; Approving the appointment of Suellen Kolbet and Lynne Kuethe to the RYLA Board for their second three-year term. All ayes. Motion carried.

Don Meyer presented the proposed budget for the 2022-2023 Rotary year. It was recommended for approval by the District Finance Committee. Moved by Hassman, seconded by Wasta; That the budget for the 2022-2023 Rotary Year be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

Youth Exchange Chair John Schultz reported on the District's Youth Exchange program. We have ten students that have been approved and all have been placed. A new database has been put in place and is working. He feels that part of the reason for its success is Jeff Hassman promoting the program at his Club visits.

John Wasta reported that the Global Scholar funding mechanism has changed from paying 100%. He asked that the District and World Fund cover the amount of the scholarship. Moved by Wasta, seconded by Meyer; That the District and World fund will cover 100% of a Global Scholarship. All ayes. Motion carried.

Don Meyer reported that on May 11 there will be a North Central PETS wrap up meeting. He will report to the Board after that what they propose for 2023 PETS.

Carole Bernard is working with a YRYLA group in Colorado to help in reinstating our District's program. She is hoping to meet with them virtually and get copies of their manual.

Lowell Stoolman reported that the CPA review committee of the District Financials is in process. Larry Pump from the Charles City Club is heading up the committee. He held a zoom meeting for clubs to approve the Financial Reports for 2020-2021. There was very low attendance. He would like to have approval of the reports at the District Conference if it can be worked into the schedule.

Eric Levenhagen will be resigning as District Treasurer on June 30. Don Meyer approached Gary Winterhof of the Cedar Falls Club to assume the position. Moved by Meyer, seconded by Hassman; To approve Don Meyer's appointment of Gary Winterhof as District Treasurer. All ayes. Motion carried.

Michelle Bell requested that new points of contact be established for the Donor Advised Fund, making Suellen Kolbet the main point of contact. She suggested using the remaining DAF funds for a Global Scholarship and closing the account.

The next Board meeting will be August 9, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Lowell and Don will work on scheduling the Board meetings for the rest of the year and Carole Bernard will be contacted about scheduling the DG Line meetings.

There is still about \$2,000 left in DDF. This will roll into the 2022 grants and used for the first one.

Michelle Bell and [Eric Levenhagen](#) were thanked for their years of service on the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.