

DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 2022 – 5:00 P.M.
ZOOM FORMAT

Present: Lowell Stoolman, Jeff Hassman, Don Meyer, Shannon Duncan, John Wasta, Gary Winterhof, Carole Bernhard, and Suellen Kolbet.

DES Kolbet declared there was a quorum present.

Moved by Hassman, seconded by Meyer; That the consent agenda be approved. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Consent agenda items:

- Minutes of **8-8-22** BOD Meeting
- DG Line minutes of October 3, 2022
- Foundation Committee minutes 8-8, 9-12, 10-10, 11-14, 2022
- Google Analytics August, October
- RYLA Board minutes of 5-6 and 9-23, 2022
- Updated RYLA Policies and Procedures
- Electronic votes

Moved by Winterhof, seconded by Bernhard; That Committee and Leadership reports be accepted and placed on file. All ayes. Motion carried.

Reports:

- District Executive Secretary Activity Report
- District Governor Activity Report (verbal)
- DRFCC Report
- RYLA Report (minutes)
- Rotaract and Interact Reports

District Governor Don Meyer reported that he has completed 39 Club visits. He attended a Cultural Immersion Workshop hosted by the Waterloo Club. He is keeping up with District business and all is going well.

PDG Jeff Hassman reported that a RYE student had to return to their home country, due to lack of following rules. The student's country appealed to Rotary International. It was reviewed by Rotary International and they ruled that our District acted appropriately. On December 4 the Committee will be interviewing students for the 2023-2024 school year at Schultz Strings in Cedar Rapids, and help would be appreciated. The Christmas party will be held on Dec 10, 2022, and all are welcome to attend.

District Treasurer Gary Winterhof reported that all accounts have been reconciled. A budget amount shows in the incorrect payroll tax expense line item. DES Kolbet will correct it. The One Summit is slightly over budget. Cash balances show \$323,000, which is good. Moved by Meyer, seconded by Bernhard; That the Financial Reports be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

NCPETS Update

DGE Carole Bernhard reported that NCPETS will be held virtually on March 22-24, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. each day.. The cost will be \$150, but 50% of the registration fees will be returned to the District so they can hold their own in person training. NCPETS will be based on Rotary's Action Plan, there will be networking opportunities, and the seminar will conclude with an inspirational speaker. She will also be doing some President-elect training on the Friday morning before the District Conference kicks off, and will be doing some pre-PETS training in January and February.

The update to the Iowa RYLA Policies and Procedures that was approved in the Consent Agenda was reviewed. The amendment is as follows:

The deadline for clubs to request the number of slots is February 15. Clubs are allocated slots based on their requests by February 28. Clubs are invoiced for their allocated slots by March 1 with payment due by March 15. If a club wishes to change the number of slots requested, it can do so by June 30 with no penalty. After June 30, sponsoring clubs will be responsible for 50% of the RYLA registration fee for students who withdraw prior to RYLA beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. If a student withdraws after RYLA begins, the sponsoring club is responsible for the full registration fee.

The cost of RYLA will increase to \$500 per conferee in 2023, due to the increase in costs of food and lodging at Grinnell College.

DGE Bernhard reported that she is not having any luck getting someone to chair YRYLA. She is going to put out a "Want Ad" to try to get interested people. She will continue to work on this.

DG Don Meyer has been asked by Rotary International to appoint a District Insurance Representative. Don will review what duties are involved and will forward the information he received from Rotary International to the Board. He asked the Board to consider anyone who has experience in liability insurance to propose for the position.

DGE Bernhard updated the Board on the One Summit training. There were two in-person Summits. She received positive reviews, but there was not good attendance. One club has asked for information so they can do a One Summit in their own club. They are looking at the possibility of doing a virtual One Summit in January, 2023. Bernhard is working with Helen Beneke, who has agreed to be the District Trainer. Cynthia Adams from the Iowa Great Lakes club has also joined the committee.

District Strategic Plan

A Strategic Planning meeting was held in person on September 30, 2022. DGE Bernhard has developed a Strategic Planning Workbook that tracks in detail the progress in attaining the specific goals.

DG Meyer reported on planning for the District Conference to be held on April 21 and 22, 2023 at Wartburg College in Waverly. The conference will begin at noon on Friday and end by 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. The Committee is working with Wartburg regarding costs so a registration fee can be determined and registration can open on the website. He would like to ask each club to choose a Club

Rotarian of the Year and they would be honored at the Conference. The District would cover their registration fee. He will also arrange a time for a Foundation Recognition reception.

Moved by Wasta, seconded by Duncan; That the meeting adjourn at 5:57 p.m.