OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Board of Directors of the Kiwanis Club of Jefferson, Iowa met in regular session at the Uptown Cafe on December 1, 2017. President Vicky Lautner called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. Board members in attendance were Vern Foje, Jack Fredrickson, Jim Gerdes, Denny Hammen, Tom Heater, Rick McCollom, Mike Palmer, Bill Raney, Bob Schwarzkopf, Bob Smith, Jim Teusch, Loren Turner, Don Van Gilder and Toni Wetrich. Randy Monthei was also present. No board members were absent.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

SECRETARY

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Hamman to approve the November board minutes as written. All approved. Motion carried.

TREASURER

A motion was made by McCollom, seconded by Gerdes to approve the club's financial records for the month of November as presented by Schwarzkopf. All approved. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: As of October 1, 2017, the membership has been at 40 members.

New Membership: None

Leave of Absence: A motion was made by Schwarzkopf, seconded by Wetrich to accept a leave of absence for Vern Foje starting January 1, 2018 through March 13, 2018. All approved. Motion carried.

Resignation: None

OLD BUSINESS

Little League Building Repair Project – No new updates, continuing to talk with representatives and will work if the weather stays nice.

Arc Pantry Donation – Foje reported that \$840 was given to the Arc Pantry to help offset their costs for Thanksgiving; \$500 from the club and the club members donated an additional \$340 during regular meetings.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Audit Report – The Audit Committee of Pat Miller, Sherry Palmer, and Bill Raney presented their audit report to the club board of directors.

Miracle League Donation (**Ames**) – Lautner discussed the presentation given by Jodi Melcher on the Miracle League Donation request. A motion was made by Hamman, seconded by Foje to agree to donate \$1,000 per year for the next 3 years to this support this park. All approved. Motion carried.

Aktion Club Hat & Mitten Tree – Foje reported that the tree is up in the east lobby of the courthouse for hat and mitten collections.

Greene County Congregate Meal Request – A motion was made by Wetrich, seconded by Smith to not make a donation to the Greene County Congregate Meal request because it does not fit the mission of our club and organization. All approved. Motion carried.

Tip for Uptown staff – There was a discussion about the club donating some of the cost of the tip for the Uptown staff. There was also discussion about the improvements in breakfast and service. A 10% tip is customary for buffet service and this is the only time of year that we tip for the service we receive all year. Last year, the club gave \$750 to the staff for a tip and the board of directors has set a goal of giving the staff a \$1,000 tip this year to be closer to that 10% tip. Foje will be sending around a collection for the members to donate and a motion was made by Hamman, seconded by Smith to donate \$600 from the club funds toward the Uptown staff. All approved. Motion carried.

ARC Scholarship Dispersing – Schwarzkopf reported that he expects the 2nd semester dispersments to go out at the end of December or early January after checking enrollment status.

Relay for Life Sponsorship – The Greene County Relay for Life is scheduled for April 21st. The club has budgeted to donate \$500 and last year we had anonymous donors contribute an additional \$750 to get to the \$1,250 level. The board has not received sponsorship letters yet.

Pop Can Collection – Discussed pop can collection with Fojes' leave of absence. Heater stated that several members will be getting together to make sure this is taken care of. Members should let the club know if they are available to help during this time, as well.

Agenda Add-Ins:

RAMS Program T-Shirts – Teusch reported that Jen Badger with Shine on Designs will be coming to talk to the club at our next regular meeting and she may also have an opportunity for the club to be a sponsor for a Greene County Elementary program t-shirt.

Salvation Army – Foje reported that we still have volunteer opportunities to fill for ringing bells for the Salvation Army on Saturday, December 9^{th} .

Grill: Monthei reported that Bob Smith will be taking the grill up to Holstein to be repaired. The bottom needs to be replaced. The repairman believes that the fix should be under \$1,000 and the board discussed the fact that whether or not our club commits to any grilling in the future, the bottom would need to be repaired to be able to sell the grill. A motion was made by Palmer, seconded by Fredrickson to go forward with the necessary repairs. All approved. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Turner and seconded by Palmer to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 a.m.

Respectively submitted by Toni Wetrich, Club Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 13th – Aktion Club Christmas Party at the Elks Club January 5th – Board Meeting