

Decatur Rotary Club #180
Board Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2006

Board Members Present: Dave Brandon, Jim Finn, Paula Finn, Steve Furrow, Martin Getty, Kevin Kehoe, Harold Murphy, Bill Owen, Pen Shade, Paul Stanzione, Heather Stoa, Glenda Williamson Other **Rotarians Visiting:** Glen Dalluge, Melinda Hawbaker, Norma Maddio

President Dave Brandon called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: A correction to the March minutes was that eight RYLA students were paid for to attend the RYLA camp instead of seven. This consisted of four juniors/seniors and four sophomores. The March minutes were approved with this correction (Kehoe/J. Finn).

Correspondence: Thank you notes were received from the following: Baby Talk for the \$500 grant we awarded them, Philip Morris USA for allowing a representative from their company to speak at a recent meeting, Meridian Elementary School for library books, Meridian Middle School for library books, and McGaughey Elementary School in Mt Zion for library books.

Financials: Harold Murphy presented the March report. Income was \$4,219. Expenses were \$15,084. Cash on hand is \$35,038. It was suggested we adjust meal numbers with the Decatur Club to make sure they are in line with attendance. The financial report was approved (P. Finn/Getty).

Membership: Resignations were received from Mike McElroy, effective 2/10/06 and Wendell Henby, effective 1/11/06. A motion to accept these with regret was passed (J. Finn/Kehoe). No white cards for new members are pending at this time.

Follow-ups from last month:

John Biedler, pastor of Unitarian Universalist Church has visited as a guest of Heather Stoa.

David Taylor, pastor of First Congregational UCC—Heather Stoa to follow-up

Chris Olsen, Tate and Lyle, declined per Jim and Paul Finn.

Paul Chiligris, attorney and recent speaker—Dave Brandon to follow-up.

Gloria Davis, new superintendent of District 61, a Rotary member in Dodge City, KS—Martin Getty to follow-up.

Chris Bullock, new general manager of NextMedia—Dave Brandon to follow-up.

Jamie Duies, new at Hickory Point Bank and Trust—Glenda Williamson to follow-up.

Mark Avery, Wood Street Printing—no word from Andy Thomas on follow-up.

Jerry Dawson, Macon Co Sheriff—declined due to busy schedule per Kevin Kehoe.

Denise Daniels-Johnston, WAND-TV—the Finns have made contact and will follow-up.

Joel Fletcher, Herald and Review—Dave Brandon will follow-up.

New Business: The Rotary clock idea received from Wayne Allen was tabled until May (Kehoe/Stoa).

Heather Stoa circulated a draft of a new member brochure that would be available for all prospective members. It could be added to the website. Cost would be minimal to produce these. Heather would like to print 200 for the remainder of this fiscal year and then revise the president contact info and print 200 more for 2006-07 and succeeding years.

Heather Stoa recently attended the President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS). She received a form to fill out dealing with the goals of our club for 2006-07. Goals were brainstormed by the board in the areas of Membership, Service, and Foundation, and the following were developed:

Rotary Club of Decatur Goals for 2006-07

Membership

1. Net increase of one
2. Assign mentor to each new member
3. Place membership brochures, classification lists and white card forms on tables to encourage current members to recruit new members
4. Contact 501 Club members to see if any are interested in joining Rotary
5. Offer new member orientation prior to joining

Service

1. Provide volunteers when we do not provide financial assistance
2. Suggestions for local volunteer projects include Scovill Park playground renovation, serving at the Good Samaritan Inn
3. Sending a group to Merida, Mexico to meet and work with Merida Rotarians at the orphanage

Foundation

1. Change quarterly billing statement to read, “? Check this box to include a \$25 tax-deductible contribution towards becoming a Paul Harris Fellow”.
2. In November, match new contributions of \$50 with \$50. (We currently have \$1712 available in Foundation funds to use for matching gifts).
3. Consider matching the first \$100 given by a club member.
4. Include a flyer in the quarterly bill explaining the Rotary Foundation, how to donate and how to leave funds through a will or trust to Rotary.

The board selected the Macon County Assistance Program (MAX) that DOVE operates as the June 2006 penny fund recipient (Furrow/P. Finn).

Other: The April 17 regular meeting held at the Tuscany Restaurant due to the Decatur Club being closed encountered some snafus. A buffet was to be available but a served lunch was substituted. The entrée and dessert were delayed and not served in a timely fashion.

For the May 15 meeting, the club will meet at the Scovill Golf Course banquet room as the Decatur Club is closed the day after Mother’s Day.

New member orientation: Friday, May 12 at Noon at the Decatur Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. (Kehoe/ P. Finn).

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 18, at Noon at the Decatur Club.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Furrow
Club Secretary