

**Rotary Club of Decatur
Board Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2008**

Board Members Present: Erin Brownlow, John Cook, Glen Dalluge, Howard Edwards, Steve Furrow, Diana Knaebe, Al Luchetti, Randy Prince, Jane Shade, Pen Shade, Andy Thomas, and Phil Zeni

Call to Order at 12:05 by President Pen Shade

Correspondence: None

Approval of Minutes: The June 19, 2008 meeting minutes were approved (Thomas/Furrow)

Financial Report: The Statement of Financial Position of June 30, 2008 was distributed and reviewed. Total Assets were \$53,375; total Liabilities \$10,936; total net assets was \$42,439. At the last Board meeting it was decided that \$6000 would be deposited to Community Foundation for the local Rotary Endowment. This still needs to be paid. There is \$5000 remaining to be paid on the pledge for the Park District Pavilion. Income is close to the Budget for year \$85,777 income and \$3844 to the positive where there was a projected \$5000 annual loss. However not all of our District Dues for the year have not yet been paid. The projection at this point is probably about a \$1500 loss once these dues are paid. The International Contributions/Grants/Donations line shows a payment of \$7795 and the FY 09 Budget for this line includes a \$4000 carry over from 07/08 for Dr. Sinha. We came close to the FY 08 Budget projections. The Financial Report was approved (Luchetti/Cook).

Committee Reports:

Family: Steve Furrow mailed Jim Williams' wife his badge. His wife told Steve that that Jim use to say that Rotary, golf and his wife were his top priorities, although he would never say in what order.

Membership: Badges Andy Thomas has talked to Sue Watts about ordering badges for new members. Need to put the discussion of Badges under the New Business next month. The discussion is around whether we will make our own or order new ones. Randy will check with a vendor in the Mt. Zion area that he believes does make badges similar to those we have now – round.

Foundation/Paul Harris: We collected enough money for the sponsorship of Paul Osborne for a Paul Harris award. The award will be presented to him at a meeting in September. Glen stated that he is willing to do a Foundation Minute monthly. Will do directly or find a delegate. Lucy Murphy, Larry Foster and Miley Palmer have done this in the past. This has usually been done on the 3rd Monday. Glen will do one this next Monday. Bud Wilcox paid cash for his contribution. Glen stated that people contributed to the Paul Osborne scholarship that do not usually contribute to the Paul Harris Foundation.

Membership:

Barb Beck, may be interested – Bert Gray will pursue

Karen Brown, going to the Olympics so will check with her after that is over – Glen Dalluge

Andy Cave, not sure – Tim Stock

Scott Hall, will be presented on Monday – Bud Wilcox

Mark Hansen, not sure – Mike DeSignore will contact him

Tonya Kowa-Morelli, not sure – Heather sent a letter

Dan Lightner, wants to visit however not able to get the County to pay, so not sure how this might impact his willingness to join – Randy Prince to follow-up

Eric McRae, not sure – David Goebel will follow up

Daylyn Wells – Diana has not had contact with her recently

Ron Pulera, WAND TV New GM – Phil Zeni, will make contact

Take Ken Frye off the list

Erin Brownlow has invited the new WAND General Manager of Sales

Howard Edwards said he wants the other Secondary Principals to join and hopefully this will strengthen a relationship for Interact, the Rotary program for high school students

Phil Zeni will check on some people with Herald-Review

Caterpillar has no one in the Club right now

Tate and Lyle might be another place to seek members

PPG is another.

Chris Dowd, was inducted Monday, 1st new member of the year

Resignations – none

Programs, Michael DeSignore not present today, not sure who is presenting Fred Puglia this month.

Pen will check on that.

Meeting at Rock Springs on July 28th.

John Cook is available the next couple of months for a program, Pen will pass this info on to Michael.

Old Business:

Dr. Sinha Grant, \$4000 pushed into this year

Mérida, spent \$3,215 last year.

The budget shows \$7000 in International projects, but we are not committed to anything directly at this point.

Al indicated that Mérida has no pressing needs but on-going plumbing a problem. Question came up whether any local Rotary clubs are involved with the Orphanage. Heather will probably know whether there is local Rotary involvement. Traditionally, we have given \$500+ annually to the Orphanage.

New Business:

2008-2009 Budget – Suggestion that there be a comparison with the previous year's budget along side the current budget.

Budget was approved (Prince/Zeni)

Proposal – to use MCK Accounting at a cost of approximately \$125/month (Prince/Zeni) motion approved.

Polio Plus Assessment, Assess \$25/member annually (Furrow/Thomas) motion approved to add this assessment to member's bills.

Announcements: Steve Furrow reported on an upcoming RLI training here in Decatur in early August. Steve suggested that the Club cover the \$85 fee for up to five people. (Furrow/Luchetti) motion approved.

Dr. Becker presentation: Al Luchetti suggested that he would like to see us collect useable computers that could be sent to Roatan, and he is willing to take the lead on this project. Suggestion that we put this on the next Board Meeting Agenda as a Service Project – potentially use International dollars as well as checking to see if there are any clubs close to the location.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:00

The next Board meeting will be Thursday, August 21st at the Decatur Club

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Knaebe