

Rotary Board Meeting  
Thursday, May 27, 2004

Board Members Present: Miley Palmer, Kit Paulin, Wayne Allen, Jim Finn, Steve Furrow, Harold Murphy, Martin Getty, Stu Ellis, Heather Stoa

The May 27, 2004 meeting of the board of directors of The Rotary Club of Decatur was called to order at 12:03 pm at the Decatur Club. President Miley Palmer officiated.

The minutes of the April 2004 meeting were approved. (Finn/Furrow)

Harold Murphy presented the finance report which was approved by the board. (Ellis/Getty)

Five resignations were reluctantly approved. (Paulin/Finn) They were:

Richard Hall  
Julie Moore  
Kendra Buchholtzer  
Matt Sager  
Charlie Wells

Matt Sager was relocated and replaced by Jessie Price at Caterpillar. It was approved to approach Mr. Price to join the club. (Ellis/Furrow)

Also approved for potential membership was John Schilawski.

It was suggested that we review occupation categories to identify missing sectors for recruiting ideas. Kit Paulin will bring the category lists to place on the tables at upcoming meetings.

Lucy Murphy will present a monthly Rotary Foundation Minute to raise awareness of the many contributions made by the Foundation throughout the world.

The first Rotary Birthday Billboard has been installed on Pershing Road near Crown Toyota. The billboard was sponsored by Union Planters Bank. The cost of sponsoring a billboard is \$125. Martin Getty will make a presentation to the club to make members aware of the opportunity to sponsor a billboard.

The Rotary District has presented the Club with \$1,000 to fund a display of flowers/plants at the Rotary Park. The board voted unanimously to empower master gardener, Heather Stoa, to design and implement a display of her preference.

A discussion was held regarding the Youth Leadership Institute. It was noted that Partners in Education, sponsor of YLI, was successful in replacing this year's annual support which was reduced by our club (from \$3000 to \$1000) in response to our recent \$1,000 cap on grants. Partners in Education has requested that we consider reinstating the \$3,000 grant for the following year. The board voted to decline to consider next year's commitment, and noted that the first priority must be to complete the commitment to Rotary Park.

Due to a conflict with a Brian Culbertson Concert and Art Center Fundraiser the President's Evening – Rotary Hoe-Down – will be rescheduled for Friday, June 25, 2004 (instead of the original Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>).

The meeting was adjourned at 1:13 PM.