**Stafford Rotary Club Board Meeting Dec 6, 2017**

In attendance: President Michael Smith, Linda Knecht, Jake Almborg, Shaun Huwar, Sandy Duckworth, Lori Hayes, Matt Fleming, Leigh Ann Poland

The meeting was called to order by President Michael. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the Nov 8, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Web hosting charges** were discussed and it was determined they should not be paid by foundation funds, since they are a club expense.

**Club Services** - Jake Almborg needs to step down as a co-chair of Club Services due to his other club and district duties. H will retain the book-keeping responsibility for the club. Sandy will continue to support Club Services.

**Scholarship Budget** – Matt Fleming asked to combine the Academic and Vocational budget line items ($1K ea) into an Academic/Vocational Scholarship Budget of $2K. They are also revising the criteria for scholarship granting. THIS ITEM WAS TABLED UNTIL NEXT MONTH WHEN MATT/JOY CAN ATTEND THE MEETING TO SHARE OTHER INFORMATION FOR DECISION MAKING.

**Sack Hunger** **Program for Fredericksburg Jackets Club Football League** – Lori Hayes - Partnering with the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank may not be the best option. Instead, the current focus is a voucher program to be used at Concessions during practice. The Rotary Grant Money must be spent before July 1, 2018, while the actual distribution of food will take place in the Fall of 2018. The decision was made to contract with the Fredericksburg Jackets Concessions Organization to hold the funds for use in the Fall specifically for this Sack Hunger Program. (Note: We will identify about 50 children to participate in the program, give them a snack before practice and provide a meal after practice. A sustainability aspect of the program will be Interact clubs who will be holding Food Drives for non-perishables to be distributed.)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Foundation Report** – Sandy

Bert De Vore asked to be switched from an Honorary member to a Full Club member, and the Board affirmed this change.

**REMAINING BUSINESS FROM OCTOBER BOARD MEETING**

**50/50 Raffle Usage and Fines/Happy Cup**

The 3-way division of the Rotary 50/50 Raffle (1/3 goes to the weekly club winner, 1/3 goes into the Progressive Raffle Pot, and the remaining 1/3 go into the club’s operating funds) will continue as is. These raffle proceeds are combined with the Fines/Happy Cup in one finance line item. Proceeds from these combined sources will go to the Stafford Rotary Foundation at the end of the Rotary Year.

**TOPIC FOR NEXT MEETING**

Are there club operating expenses that could be expensed to the foundation ?

Minutes submitted by Leigh Ann Poland, 1/8/18