**Rotary Club of Lake Forest Park**

**Club Board Meeting July 15th, 2024 4:00 PM**

**Members Present**:  Charlie Webber, Mark Phillips, Heidi Shepherd, Linda Holman, Ed Sterner, Paul McMurry. Also attending:  Robin Roat

**Minutes**:  Mark proposed and Heidi seconded a motion to approve the previous meeting’s minutes.  The motion was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer**:  Mark reviewed current account balances.  LFP Presbyterian has been paid for the upcoming year of facility use and we’ve made our annual contribution to Harvest Against Hunger (speaker recognition).  Bills from Rotary International and District 5030 haven’t arrived yet.  Invoices have gone out; 22 folks have paid so far.  Mark will be on vacation in August and Darlene will substitute for Mark.  The necessary IRS exemption form (less than $50K in transactions) will be filed soon.  Mark is looking into the possibility of DacDB generating a consolidated invoice for household membership.

**Old Business**:

**Foundation Budget**:  Charlie discussed that the Foundation is still preparing their proposed budget which requires a roughly 10 percent reduction from last year.  Heidi mentioned that most of the committee inputs were made last week.

**Auction**:  Charlie discussed the great work Cristy Smith and others are doing on the Auction.  Ticket prices will probably be $135 early bird and $150 full price.

**New Business:**

**Youth Protection Policy** was discussed.  Jaqui Drew, Interact Coorindator, requires screening.  Heidi will investigate if the screening done by Shoreline School District is sufficient.  Heidi mentioned that the policy should be discussed with the entire club and Charlie will put that on the agenda for Wednesday hybrid meeting.

**Succession Planning**:  Charlie brought up the need to be canvassing club members for a President Elect Nominee as well as successor for Secretary and Treasurer.  The Club Services (Avenue of Service) position is also vacant.  Robin volunteered for the Speakers Committee to take Jill’s place (she has taken on coordinating continental breakfasts).

**Holiday Party** tentatively planned for Wednesday, December 4th if the Lake Forest Park Civic Club is available.  It will be a potluck with the Club providing beer, wine, soft drinks, and dining supplies (plates, bowls, cups, utensils, etc.).

**Committee Reports:**

**Youth**:  Heidi discussed coordination with Vocation & Education to avoid duplicate donations.

**Environment**:  Linda explained the needed for increased membership participation in projects.  She’s raising visibility in the *Connector* to promote opportunities.

**International**:  Ed Sterner and Charlie discussed continued progress on the draft District and Global Grant proposals.  Ed announced that a former Imagine Scholar will join us at this Wednesday’s hybrid meeting.

**Membership**:  Ed Sterner highlighted new member induction of David Smatlak at this Wednesday’s hybrid meeting.  Heidi has conducted new member orientation for Josh and Hunt.  Ed stressed the importance of continuing the requisite activities that formerly were necessary to transition from a red name badge to a green.  Charlie mentioned that the committee’s membership pathway is working well.

**Upcoming Events** were discussed.  These included Summer Bash (Jul 26th), Mariners Baseball (Aug 2nd), visit by Zone 26 & 27 Membership Chair (Aug 7th hybrid), Jazz Walk (Aug 13th), Beach Party (Aug 23rd), Croquet (Aug 17th), Lake City Kids’ Parade (Aug 3rd), Club’s 38th Birthday Meeting (Sep 4th) and Polio Night at the Lake Forest Park Grill (Oct 24th).

There was further discussion about the Kids’ Parade and the apparent demise of the Lake City Rotary Club (Seattle Northeast).  All agreed we need to recruit the former members of that club to join ours and consider taking on their previous projects including the LC Kids’ Parade.  We’ll see about inviting LC’s former members to our Aug 7th hybrid meeting.

Charlie