MAY 19, 2020

LAKE FOREST PARK ROTARY CLUB BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 4:02pm via a Zoom conference. A quorum was present.

In attendance were:

Robin Roat, Heidi Shepherd, Karen Edwardsen, Kim Anderson, Judy Altman, David Halbrook, Linda Holman, JP Mahar, Ed Sterner, Ed Belcher and Larry French

Secretary’s Report – Larry French

* The minutes of the April Club Board meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve – Heidi, Second by Linda. Approved
* 30 Members have responded to the request for cell phone carriers that will the Board to us Ptext for emergency messages.
* The District’s Festival of Training has had some great sessions. Larry will email schedule link to all members.

Treasurer’s Report – Ed Belcher

* Last month’s report was shared.
* Monthly dues – 6 members unpaid as of today. Ed B will reach out to these members.
* Chef Eldon has been paid $140/week cancelation fee for March – May. Usual fee is $280/week (or more if attendance > 35) with in-person meetings with the breakfast buffet.
  + Changing of the Guard dinner cancelled.
  + Motion: Pay Chef Eldon the $140/week cancelation fee for June – December (unless in person meeting commence prior to that). Judy 1st, Second by JP. Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business –

* Foundation – Kim and Robin
  + Call to members almost completed.
  + Member participation is important for the Club Citation that Robin and Alan are doing.
  + Changing of the Guard will be a ZOOM format.
  + Shoreline Arts Gala update – As the Shoreline Rotary Club were a major sponsor, they were publicly thanked (information provided by Norman in a post Board meeting call).
  + The Members need to be reminded to support our members’ businesses. Include in Club meeting notes and in newsletter. Robin will follow through.

New Business –

* JP is working on completing the Director positions for 20-21.
* JP has suggested switching our Club and Foundation bank accounts to a bank that is involved in Rotary. It was proposed that he reach out to Chase and invite one of their team to join our Club. More discussion to follow at next month’s Club Board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Membership – David

* The $25 membership fee has been posted by Ed B.
  + Robin made a motion to waive the $25 membership fee during the continuing COVID-19 pandemic but through 2020. David 1st, Second by Karen. Approved unanimously.
  + Ed S. has agreed to be our Club’s in-house legal advisor for the Club Foundation.
* David proposed ZOOM leader/wizard for next year. Greg Schaeffer’s name was shared.
* Larry reviewed the potential member process:
  + DACdb email application and Club invitation is sent to Potential Member.
  + Application is discussed with Club Board. If accepted, Potential Member’s name and sponsor are shared with membership for comment.
  + If accepted after member comments, formal invitation is shared with new Member.
* Potential member invitations to be sent out by Larry to:
  + Theresa LaCroix – sponsor Linda H
  + Dash Debadutta – sponsor Mohan G
  + Silje Sodal – sponsor Heidi S
  + Shelley Hartnett – sponsor Robin R
  + Lisa Lasconia – sponsor George J
  + Laura Michaelson – sponsor Allison R

International – Ed S.

* $4,500 in checks will be written in June.

Youth Services - Heidi

* Rotary’s District “Youth Protection Policy” requires
  + Signature by JP
  + Board to review at June Club Board meeting
  + States that 3 Club members must be present at events where student help is utilized.
* Updates on
  + Hopelink Food Drive and
  + Ronald Commons Housing Grant
    - Funds to be used to build a fence to protect and separate garden from play area.
    - Seeking responses as to who helps with the feeding program after the June 19th “stop date”.

Community Services – Linda and Judy

* The Homeless Youth Project has successfully concluded its mission to find and support a shelter for homeless teens.
* George Piano, committee chair, invited the committee members to a discussion of a potential future direction of the group.

Ed/Voc – Karen

* Committee to visit all 11 scholarship recipients’ homes to deliver the “good news” and get social distancing photos.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:08pm

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, June 16th 4:00pm via ZOOM