

## Albina Rotary Club Zoom Meeting

June 9, 2021

**Members Present:** Mark Cooksey, Margie Davidson, Yasuko Fields, Jenn Harbick, Don Jones, Frances Moore, Lisa Pickert

### Business:

- **NK Scholarship:** Lisa gave update as Byron was unable to attend the meeting. We have 6 or 7 readers of the applications. Reader reviews are due back to Byron on Monday, the 14<sup>th</sup>. Byron hopes to schedule interviews sometime in the next week with a goal of having an awards presentation the week of June 21. Byron hopes to work with the NK Marketing Department to videotape the awards presentations. Once the awards are determined, Margie will send out a mailing will go out to all past donors with biographies of the award winners. Margie will send to Lisa and Byron the permission document that we need each of the winners to sign so that we can share their information.
- **Request from Jo Crenshaw for Polio Plus District Donation:** Lisa reminded the group of this email request from Jo. Margie reminded us that we have already donated \$500 to Polio Plus out of the 2020/21 Foundation Budget. It was agreed not to spend more of this year's budget. It was requested that we find a speaker to talk and give an update about the Polio Plus Program.
- **A question was raised about dues for transfer members – do they go under the new member dues structure or not?** One suggestion was made that they pay only the RI and District Dues their first year. Discussion was tabled until next week to give time for everyone to think about further.
- **A global grant request was emailed to the Club from Pune, India.** The request was not altogether coherent nor clear on the purposes for the funding. Since no one was familiar with the person/persons involved in the Grant request, it was suggested that we not consider for Club funding. Past practice has been that we have only funded global grant requests when we did have some sort of connection with the people or the project.
- **Margie and Lisa will be going to the bank tomorrow to add Lisa as a second signator on our Club accounts, per the vote two weeks previous.**
- **Lisa did some research on and now Margie is in discussion with a company to provide a donation service on our website.** The company is iATS out of Vancouver, BC. This is a company that Mark Cooksey had heard about and recommended. We are currently looking into using their services as they had the lowest fees. Margie pointed out the need to have a separate donation function for the Club and Foundation. She also voiced the need that we make sure this company will provide detailed monthly reports to us about the donations. She will be talking with Piggah, at iATS further.
- **June 2 Minutes – Margie moved/Don seconded the minutes as written. All approved.**
- **In preparation for the upcoming new Rotary year and her role as President, Lisa asked the group for feedback on their experience in our Club around our meetings, our service projects and our educational programs. Feedback included:**
  - **Club meetings** – like the structure (Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, ending with 4 Way Test), Frances reported that she liked an activity done in her previous Club in Colorado in which they

periodically would discuss answers to personal question as a means to get to know one another better (ex. What was your first pet?), like meetings on Zoom for their convenience, maybe we do an in-person social gathering once a month

**Service** – Frances and Margie like in-person projects like our trash pick-up

**Programs** – maybe explore the topics that RI offers monthly, always like hearing from Dana Clark, like hearing updates from the programs to whom we give funding, like hearing from organizations in the neighborhood (ex. Soul District), would like to have the Police come talk about the current escalation of violence and the murder rate

The meeting closed at 1 PM. Our next meeting will be at noon on June 16.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Pickert, 2020/21 Secretary