

**Members Present:** Becky Black, Mark Cooksey, Margie Davidson, Yasuko Fields, Jennifer Harbick, Don Jones, Byron Kellar, Frances Moore, Lisa Pickert, Erica Popick-Kevrekrian, Katie Weber

**Guests:** Renee Campbell (District 5100 International Service Chair)

President Lisa opened the meeting at 5:05 P.M.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the 16 February meeting were approved as written after the program. (Don, Mark)

### **PROGRAM**

- Renee Campbell described RI's three-year donation cycle, which allows RI to send all donations back as matching funds to District and club projects while covering their own administrative expenses with the interest. Then she reviewed the international donations/activities of District 5100 during the last Rotary year, which were quite impressive. We must be among the most active districts in Rotary!
  - District 5100 clubs participated in 9 huge Global Grants involving multiple clubs (including us: the Soeur well & latrine project in Cambodia and the Nepal EMS response team, which will be the model for the entire nation.
  - Many District clubs also participated in club-to-club projects with a club in another country.
  - In summary, 43 District 5100 clubs participated in 28 international projects involving 7 areas of Rotary focus & doubling the number of clubs involved to ~60%. Other districts also have been more active internationally—so much that RI couldn't cover all the applications it received last year and will need to reduce its matching for Global Grants from 100% to 80%.
- Becky Black told us about her new non-profit, CBOi, which recently received a \$1,000 grant from our Foundation. She has successfully run alternative schools for students who cannot thrive in regular high schools since 1988. CBOi now has a Board of Directors, staff, a furnished location, and will get its keyboards and first students next week! They are currently tutoring students who need a little extra help to graduate, are reaching out to contact potential full-time students, and are developing a 5-year plan that will focus on graduation with practical hands-on skills as well as satisfactory academic credentials.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- The Neil Kelly Scholarships will be awarded at the new De La Salle high school campus at 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. on 8 June. Attendance will be limited to 50 people. Scholarship applications will be due on 2 May with selection of finalists around 20 May. Volunteer if you are interested in evaluating student applications.
- Please consider volunteering to be a Club or Foundation officer next year.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Our next SOLVE trash pick-up day will be 19 March; join the crew on-line and in person!

- The COVID-19 situation looks as though it will allow us to have face-to-face meetings soon, so the plan to have alternate Zoom business meetings and genuine social meetings will start on 23 March with a meeting at T.C. O’Leary’s. (*see below*)
- Lisa said that a group of people interested in helping people who need home repairs will have a Zoom meeting at 4:30 P.M. next Thurs (10 March) to discuss volunteering in “Rebuilding Together” on 30 April, National Building Day. Becky volunteered to attend and learn more about the project.
- Heads up! The East Side Rotary Club Annual Golf Tournament will resume again on 13 June at the Glendoveer Golf Course! Get in touch with Craig Lewelling if you are interested in participating as a golf player, a sponsor, an organizer, or a helper (registering players, manning the booth, delivering refreshments, etc.)
- Earlier today all District 5100 Rotarians received an email saying that the Portland Metro Rotary Club has been granted permission to apply for a matching grant that can include donations from other district Rotary clubs wanting to help a Polish Rotary club providing humanitarian support to Ukrainian refugees. The five Foundation members present at the meeting agreed to meet immediately after the meeting to discuss possible Foundation donations to the Metro application.
- Margie reported that a letter announcing a club fundraising raffle with \$100 tickets was sent out to our previous fall fundraiser guests and our club members. The two prizes will be 2- or 4-day stays at fabulous vacation condos.

The meeting closed at 6:05 P.M. with Margie reciting the 4-Way Test.

Our next Zoom meeting will be at **5:00 P.M. on 16 March.**

Respectfully submitted,  
 Frances Moore, Secretary

**Upcoming events:**

- 19 March: 8:30 A.M. –SOLVE Pick-up. Meet in parking lot of Neil Kelly
- 23 March: 5:30-7:30 P.M. –Social meeting at T.C. O’Leary’s, 2926 NE Alberta St
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