

SWPCP Rotary Club Board Meeting Minutes 11/01/2021

Attendance:

Paul Estrella, President
Eleanor Ramage, Secretary
Dorothy Le, Treasurer

Nancy McAllister, Past Pres.
Brad Browning, Director
Mary Anne Murray, Director

Carol Lynn Ockfen, Director
Lynn Raymer, Programs

Call to Order: 5:32 p.m. after roll call

Agenda: Motion to approve by Eleanor, second by Nancy M; unanimous.

10/04/2021 Minutes: Motion to approve by Carol Lynn, second by Mark; unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Dorothy reported there was minimal activity during the month of October - three bills were paid and there was no income. Keleigh raised the question of possibly changing date of meetings to second Tuesday to accommodate getting all the banking reports out in a timely fashion. Carol Lynn made motion to officially change the day accordingly, second by Keleigh; further discussion ensued. Nancy M wanted to make sure this would be according to bylaws and Paul said he'd check into it with the possibility of changing the bylaws if necessary. No official vote was called for and motion tabled for future date when it might be an issue since the meeting date for the next several months would allow for adequate time to disseminate and review financial reports.

Old Business:

1. No topics were brought to Paul's attention.
2. Pending Grant Requests: There were two requests people were aware of and Keleigh was tracking them down during the meeting. There seems to be a problem with the request form on the website which will need to be resolved. Keleigh was able to find the forms from both Peninsula Poverty Response and Pacific County Immigrant Support.
 - a. The PCIS request dealt with funding for a project reaching out to communicate with the Hispanic community to get their children vaccinated. Mark reported that their previous endeavor with adults resulted in 141 people being vaccinated. The additional funding request would cover paying people to make calls contacting the immigrant community and continuing to encourage vaccination. Mark was going to investigate further and ascertain what was still available to the COVID Task Force from initial amount they were funded; no action required at this point by the Board until we have more information and there is a demonstrated need. The project to reach out to the immigrant population is part of a nationwide network since communication within these groups is largely by word of mouth. Keleigh said this effort made a big impact last year and Mark estimated the Hispanic population on the Peninsula is approximately 1,300 so successful vaccination rate was approximately 10%. Both Mark and Keleigh said there is no one tracking mechanism to monitor community needs and response and Mark planned to pull some of the relevant data from task force together after this meeting. It is difficult to quantify some of the responses but a sincere effort is still being made to get the remaining COVID funds spent and out into the community.
 - b. The PPR request was previously taken care of, funding from us to keep the COVID response portal open. Keleigh mentioned a somewhat unfavorable facebook post that failed to mention Rotary and Nancy M added we might need to remind various groups which receive funding from us that they in turn need to promote Rotary. Nancy M also said she had already handled the issue so no other action required.

New Business

1. Officers and Standing Committees:

- a. Lynn had some questions on future programs and said someone is needed next week. She also added that designated Rotary topic for December is disease prevention and that MaryAnne had been suggested to present a program.
- b. Question arose about not holding Club meetings over the upcoming holidays since that had been past practice. The week of Thanksgiving would be okay as scheduled and suggestion made that we skip the week between Christmas and New Year's as both holidays fall on a Saturday.

2. Special Reports:

- a. "Shoebboxes of Joy" did not respond to our overtures regarding assistance.
- b. There appears to be some confusion in the overall community between our Christmas Angels project and the Toys 4 Kids drive. These are separate projects but look like the same one to some people.
- c. MaryAnne asked about a winter coat drive, an effort spearheaded by Karen in the past and not sponsored specifically by Rotary. Kevin and Mary at Lighthouse Resort are interested in handling this project this year. Dorothy will contact Karen to clarify the issue and communicate her response.

3. Projects:

- a. Ilwaco Fire Station: Paul has contacted Nick Michaud regarding his help and Nick requested two or three more skilled laborers to help him; anyone qualified and interested should let Paul know. The remodeling work was not completed and some trim and windows remain to be done prior to efforts by "less skilled" workers doing minor installation and painting. Paul wants to plan an open Club meeting where he will conduct a walk-through of the Fire Station so people can see what needs to be done to finish the remodel. Nick was going to put together a list of tasks required and send to Paul ASAP since the Fire Station would like the work to be completed by the end of the year.
- b. Floating Rotary Wheel dock on Black Lake: Paul is still working with the graphic designers and has nothing to present yet. Plans will continue for some time in 2022 and the District is excited about helping on this project.

4. Reports:

- a. TRF: Carol Lynn had nothing to report and will do a presentation to Club on 11/16.
- b. Giving Tuesday: District 5100 is promoting 11/02/2021 as "giving Tuesday" for their Annual Fund drive, an opportunity for all to donate online on or before 11/30/2021. The question was raised whether we wanted to do a small fundraiser or just ask members to get together and donate. Paul requested that we all think about it and he will share a short video about this to Club tomorrow evening.

Open Discussion: Nancey O asked whether the Secretary needed all volunteer hours for Pickleball Tournament or just Rotarians and Eleanor responded she only needed Rotarians. Nancy M will send Eleanor the names and hours for August date for Clothes for Kids.

Adjourned: 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Eleanor Wood Ramage
SPCP Club Secretary

