

SWPCP Rotary Special Board Meeting Minutes 4/12/2022

Attendance:

Paul Estrella, Pres.

Eleanor Ramage, Secretary

Dorothy Le, Treasurer

Brad Browning, Director

MaryAnn Murray

Keleigh Schwartz, Pres. PRF

Carol Lynn Ockfen, Pres. TRF

Call to Order: 4:07 p.m. after determination of quorum

Agenda: Special meeting called to discuss and vote on upcoming Club President after position vacated by current President Elect. Board's approval is necessary, it doesn't have to go before the Club members.

Discussion: Paul called all the past presidents and three were willing to step up: Nancy McAllister, Past President offered if no one else was willing to take this on; Nancey Olson and Lynn Raymer were willing to share the responsibilities. They agreed to work with Skyler Archibald, ADG, where assistance might be requested. Paul recommended nominating Nancey O as primary with Lynn helping where/as needed. Skyler had suggested the issue be brought before the Board, not needing entire Club to vote on it. Discussion about that and our bylaws; decision deferred to Skyler's directive. Carol Lynn wanted to clarify that this position would not need to be voted on in May when other Board members are elected. Brad requested that Nancy O and Lynn prepare an outline delineating the responsibilities of each in the shared position. This document would be made available to all Club members to help avoid misunderstandings and potential chaos. It was strongly suggested this needed to be done well before July 1, 2022 with start of new Rotary year. The primary focus for each responsibility of President would be identified since something always comes up over the course of the year which needs to be addressed. Both Nancey O and Lynn have said they fully understand all that this involves. Keleigh wanted to make sure both would continue carrying on the hard work Paul has put in over the past year to help pull the Club together; Paul said they had indicated their intention to follow the same path. Nancy M stepped back since the other two had agreed to share and all were reassured that she was not being ignored or overlooked and her offer was appreciated. Keleigh also emphasized this shared position would need the support of the Board and the past Presidents, all needing to work hard to help identify a new candidate for President Elect. Paul said he would not consider taking on a second year as President since he has already made other plans for the upcoming year. Carol Lynn requested that Paul and Mark sit down with Nancey O and Lynn to share their plans for the future of the Club and get everything written down. She wants to make sure the duties and responsibilities for each are all spelled out prior to the June Board meeting. Paul responded he aimed to have an opportunity this week for the discussion amongst the four. Keleigh made a motion to approve Nancey O as main President with Lynn as secondary; second by MaryAnn and all approved.

Second item for discussion concerned the potential new members we've been courting. If they join during the current year, fees will be waived. Both the District and Dennis Long are pushing to get them approved prior to July 1, 2022. To date, no applications have been received despite several people indicating their interest. Specifically, these are Richard Haven, Daneka Ewert, Greg Holmes, Sannah (last name?) and Linda (?). Meg Parsons has already been reinstated; no invoice was required since fees were waived. Obviously, applications from these five are needed before they can be proposed. Question as to why the push to get them enrolled and it appears the moratorium on dues is the driving factor. Keleigh added it is the right thing to do to get new members but we need to make sure all understand that we are at the core a service club, not a social club. Dorothy said she has met with both Sannah and Richard; Carol Lynn added it is obvious Richard has been doing his homework about our Club and the members.

Action: Eleanor was asked to send the link for applications to those interested; she has contact information for the first three and Dorothy has Sannah's information. Additional comment about a former school superintendent who had attended a couple of meetings; need to research her name and follow up.

Adjourned: 4:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Eleanor Ramage, Secretary