



## Eugene Delta Rotary Board Meeting

Elmers Restaurant

7:00 am October 19, 2023

Attendees, Sandi Black, Community Service, Curtis Diama, President, Carisa Hettich, President Elect, Secretary, Gael Coyle, Susan Blane, Youth Services Director, Andrea Voorhees, Meeting Content Director, Terri Baker, Club Service Director,

Submitted by: Gael Coyle, Secretary

### **Minutes:**

The August Board meeting minutes were approved. There wasn't a quorum at the September Board meeting, consequently minutes were not taken. Gael did take notes.

### **Directors' Reports:**

Susan Payne, Youth Services Director – Susan reported that she has not met with the previous Youth Services Director. Gael shared that over the last few years our club has sponsored Rotary Youth Leadership Award ( Leadership Camp for Sophomores and Juniors held in June), The Four Way Test Speech Competition and the Sheldon High School Interact Club. Gael has done RYLA since 2019 and has organized and ran the 4 Way Speech Competition. Kim leads the Interact Club. We have not had a Youth Exchange in many years.

Kim Meyers – Membership Director – Not present. Gael reported that the membership meeting has met a few times and has been working on new member orientation. The expectations for new members to move from a red badge to a blue badge have been updated. In addition, Claudette has updated her Welcome PowerPoint for new members.

Andrea Voorhees, Meeting Content Director – We have speakers scheduled up to Feb 17. It is possible that Dec 15 could be open. There was a discussion about the number of presenters who were from Charity Organizations. The board felt that there is a good balance of presenters who are from noncharitable organizations and speakers who are not. Andrea stated that since Bob Harris will be giving up organizing the annual golf tournament, she will most likely take it over. Everyone felt that it was a worthy event and it is the only fundraiser we do for the Scholarship Foundation. Susan suggested we advertise to other audiences besides Rotary Club members.

Terri Baker, Logistic Director – Terri thanked Gael and Kim for covering for her when she was traveling. Jim continues to organize workers to set up. Rex almost always sets up and hands out tickets and has members sign in.

Sandi, Community Service Director – Sandi has been traveling for a few weeks. She suggested that we do a service activity during one of our meetings and suggested we stuff boxes for charity gifts, possibly for Christmas. Gael added that we have the Scouting for Food event on November 18. She shared that she and Kim have made soup and chili the last couple years for the volunteers. Gael stated that we need a group of people to bring food, set up and clean up. Terri said she could make chili. Sandi will announce at the Board Meeting on Friday.

Joe Lewis, Public Image/Relations Director – Joe was not present. He is not able to attend meetings at 7:00 am. He offered to resign. A discussion was held about changing our meeting time. Terri said that she can't meet on Wednesday during the day.

Gael Coyle, Secretary – Gael shared that she has been working on getting the Peru Transport Incubator Grant approved and she believes it will be very soon. We are putting in \$8,000 and the local clubs have put in \$9,000. The grant is for \$73,600. Gael worked with the Peru club to ensure that the hospital had other equipment and supplies to make the project sustainable. The district matches the club cash two dollars to every dollar. The district puts in approximately \$30,000 and The Rotary Foundation will put in 80% of what the district puts in which comes to about \$25,000.

Gil Acterhoff, Treasurer – Gil couldn't attend. He sent the treasury reports out prior to the meeting. He has been working to clean up the accounts. Gil asks that we write off the money that was for some equipment which no one seems to know where or what it is. Curtis says he wants to wait and talk with Kim since she has been the Treasurer to obtain more information.

Curtis Diama, President – Curtis said the District Governor's visit will be on October 27 and outlined the expectations for the meeting. It will be very informal. October 27 is World Polio Day. Carisa added that the Polio Plus Society is encouraging members to give \$100 per year. Curtis will set up the nomination committee which will be composed of the President, President Elect, a Past President, and two other club members.

Curtis led a discussion about raising the price of lunch at our Friday meetings. It has been three years since we started having our meetings at the Mission and things have evolved over that time. Gael recommended that Terri meet with Beth Sheehan to discuss any new changes. Terri stated that if she is going to explain to the club that we are raising the price of lunch she needs to clearly understand the reasons. Susan suggested we develop a Pie chart to show how much money we have donated and used from the Impact Fund. The lunch money goes into our Club's Impact fund. We bought an industrial sized blender for the Mission and have recently agreed to donate \$1000 to purchase a new refrigerator for the Hospitality Program. Gael feels that the lunch is worth much more than \$10. Terri stated that we need to be mindful that new members may not be able to afford more than \$10.

Curtis said that he emailed every member of the club who has not been present at club meetings at least twice. He has gotten a response from about 10% of the people. Someone suggested that we contact members who don't come and invite them to attend events. Curtis encouraged us to continue reaching out to members who do not attend club meetings.

Carisa Hettich, President Elect – Carisa is planning on going to the International Rotary Meeting which will be held in Singapore. She shared that she applied to the Open Form for our club, but we did not get in.