

Iola Rotary Board Meeting – May 10, 2022

President Alana opened the meeting in the Stadler Room of the Allen Community College at 12:07 pm. Members present: Don Bain, Judy Brigham, Jim Gilpin, Karen Gilpin, Donna Grigsby, Bob Hawk, Alana Kinzle, Frances Kinzle, Lorraine Kuzen-Stephens, Chelsea Lea, Ellis Potter, Matt Stuckey, Mike Waldman and Jaime Westervelt.

Minutes – M/S/P (Judy/Matt) that the minutes of the March and April meetings be approved as presented.

Financial Reports: Treasurer Mike reported that there was income from the Valentine Social. He reimbursed Chelsea for her PETS expenses; some clothes were purchased for the Rotary Closet; BBQ cooker registrations are starting to come in, and we continue to have the monthly Dollywood Foundation expense for the books from the Foundation account. The account balances at the end of March are as follows: Checking - \$4,940.02; Recycling - \$30,752.89; Rotary Closet - \$5,097.36; Cars & BBQ - \$16,208.73; Foundation - \$36,022.27. M/S/P (Bob/Jim) to accept the March financial report as presented. Mike reported that as of April, all members have paid the 2021-2022 dues. He also reported that the baler was sold so the \$1,000 was removed from that asset and is shown as income on the Recycling account. The account balances at the end of April are as follows: Checking - \$4,137.96; Recycling - \$31,754.71; Rotary Closet - \$5,097.65; Cars & BBQ - \$16,853.95; Foundation - \$35,270.48. M/S/P (Judy/Jim) to accept the April financial report as presented.

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Current Business

Drive-through Baby Shower - Alana reported information she received from the Public Health Department Drive Thru Baby Shower on June 8th. They are wanting flyers about the Dolly Parton Imagination Library for their bags. M/S/P (Bob/Jim) to order more Dolly Parton flyers for the Baby Shower bags. We also decided to put the Rotary Day in the Park flyers in as well.

Fred Works Report – Judy gave update on what has transpired since we sent a letter to Steve Strickler to return the missing funds to the Rotary Club. In return, we received a letter from Steve's attorney making demands on Rotary. Fred has contacted Steve's attorney and was told by Steve's attorney that he had not had contact with Steve since he wrote the letter for him. Judy talked with Fred yesterday about what our next step should be. Judy has contacted the Attorney General's office and was informed that they could not help us because we are an organization. They did tell her, however, that if the Rotary Club of Iola does not take any steps to resolve this, then it will happen to some other organization. Judy was also told that if the Rotary Board does not take action, then Rotary members may take action against the board because we did not carry out our fiduciary duties. With that in mind, Fred suggested that Kent Pringle, a Rotarian in Chanute might be willing to take the case and that the club move forward to resolve the missing money. During discussion, Mike Waldman left the meeting and was not available for further votes during this meeting. Bob moved and Jaime seconded a motion that we approve asking Fred Works

to contact Kent Pringle to discuss how we can go about resolving the issue of having the money returned to the Iola Rotary Club. The motion passed with 10 votes Yes and 2 votes No.

New Business

Annual Dues – We had a printout from Mike showing the breakdown of dues for Rotary International and District Dues. The total yearly to RI is \$82.53; the yearly to the District 6110 is \$70.21. That means the total outlay is \$152.74 per person. The Rotary bylaws currently state that the club dues are the total of RI and District 6110 due rounded up to the nearest \$5. That puts the dues at \$155 unless we change them. M/S/P (Judy/Bob) to leave the dues at \$155 for the 2022-2023 year.

End of Year Celebration – Paul Porter and Haley Derryberry will host the end of the year celebration at the Shannon Building, Wednesday, June 22nd.

SEKSMP Coalition's Recovery House – Lorraine spoke about the Southeast Kansas Substance Misuse Prevention Coalition. April Jackson is the coordinator. They have the old funeral home on Buckeye in Iola. They will house people in recovery in this house. The coalition is in need of several household items. Lorraine would like to have our club make a donation to this effort. There is an Open House for SEKSMP on May 17th from 1-2 pm. It was suggested that April come make a presentation to our club. Ellis said that we have an opening for a speaker on Thursday, May 26th. Perhaps she could come then.

Update on Smokin' Hot Cars & BBQ – Bob said that the last banner was made in 2019. A new banner now will cost \$182.75. We decided that we do need new banners because of the sponsors. Alana said the shirts have been ordered. They will be charcoal gray with orange print. We discussed the wording on the trophies and ribbons for the BBQ. M/S/P (Donna/Lorraine) that we change the wording on the BBQ awards to "Tom Brigham Memorial BBQ". Judy asked if that will be on the T-shirts. Bob and Judy will work on t-shirt designs.

Judy said she was proud to see there were at least seven Rotarians at a meeting she attended last night. Rotarians are making a difference in our community.

Bob mentioned while in Paris, he had the opportunity to visit with one of the 2012 Group Study Exchange team members from Algeria whose name is Adel Rahmani. He said it was wonderful to see how this young man has developed into the person he is today.

Other Items

The next board meeting will be June 14, 2022, noon at the ACC Stadler room.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:58 pm.

Donna Grigsby, Secretary

Approved 6-14-2022