**Pittsburg Rotary Club**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**November 9, 2021**

Members Present: Zach Adams, Bryce Anderson, Monica Angeles, Bob Beasley, Kip Bollinger, Diane Cunningham, Pam Henderson, Brian Jones, Johnna Norton, Will Norton, Jeff Wilbert

Members Absent: Jon Bartlow, Jerime Carpenter, Elishia Seals, Brad Wells

Zach Adams called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. at the Pittsburg State University Wilkinson Alumni Center. There were no additions/corrections to the October 12, 2021 minutes. Bryce moved to approve the minutes and Brian seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Jeff Wilbert

* Checking - $13,860.16; Money Market - $16,504.43; Rotary Leffler Park - $11,260.29
* Four membership dues still outstanding.
* Paying bills for Gorilla Grind. Preliminary income is $4,700.

**Secretary’s Report** – Pam Henderson

* Total membership at current is 91: 77 active, 10 R85, 4 honorary. 11 new members.
* Attendance average July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 is 56% with make-ups factored into the number. October attendance was 54.6%.
* Presidential Citation: 12 out of 15 achievements completed. Two are in progress and we need a RYLA participant.
* Bylaw proposed update will be on the ballots next month. “At 90 years of age, members no longer pay annual dues.”

**President’s Report** – Zach Adams

* Gorilla Grind’s preliminary income is $4,700. Gorilla Grind was October 16 in a virtual and in person format. There were over 90 registrations with about 20 virtual.
* PolioPlus raffle will begin today with the drawing at the December 14 club meeting. Tickets are 1 for $5, 3 for $10 and 10 for $20.
* District Grant memorandum of understanding is signed and the deadline is November 30. Application suggestions included scholarships, dictionaries and Gorilla Grind. Zach will form a committee to finalize application details.

**Committee Chair Reports**

**Club Administration** – Jon Bartlow

* Community grant nominations will be accepted in early January with a club vote later in the month.

**Membership** – Monica Angeles

* 11 new inductees since the year began. Planning another orientation after the new year.
* Encouraged board members to personally greet a new member at every meeting.

**Service** – Bryce Anderson

* Jeff Elliott is working on dictionary distribution to take place in November.
* Next Salvation Army commodity distribution is Wednesday, November 17.
* Nine slots available for Salvation Army bell ringing.
* YMCA has started a new food program and needs volunteers to fill bags and load into vehicles at Ron’s IGA on Saturdays. Looking to sign us up in 2022.
* Concerns were expressed about volunteer efforts should the Lord’s Diner go back to serving meals inside and needing a full roster every month.

**Rotary Rocks Out Hunger** – April 30 at The Pitt – Jon Bartlow

**Foundation** – Kip Bollinger

* Zach announced Kip would be taking on this role and will work with him to learn about Foundation programs.

**Public Relations** – Jerime Carpenter

* Stephanie Potter wrote a nice article on our Presidential citation. Jerime is uploading to the website and submitting to the district for their newsletter.

**Youth Services** – Elishia Seals

* No report

**Interact/Rotaract** – Brian Jones/Bob Beasley

* PSU international students are being invited to our meetings. There was a consensus that these programs might not ever get off the ground without a supportive student base and a sponsor on-campus.

**Strategic Plan/Women’s Event** – Johnna Norton

**Old Business**

* Zach is getting with a vendor to mockup shirts, polos, etc. for members to purchase.
* The Lord’s Diner phonathon is November 17 starting with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and calling from 6-8 at the PSU Alumni Center. 25-30 callers have signed up and we have a $50,000 match. The board discussed making a donation on behalf of the club. Monica moved to contribute $365 and Will seconded. Motion passed.

**New Business**

* Past presidents met October 19 and selected Bryce Anderson as the next president nominee. Brian moved and Jeff seconded his nomination. Motion passed.
* Reviewed strategic plan goals. Service is going well by adding new projects and engaging members who are less active. We need to target youth/students for service projects, the Four Way Speech Contest and Students of the Month. Club administration is doing good despite not having a permanent meeting space. We discussed the need for committee chairs to engage their committee members, and also putting the attendance policy back into place as of January 1. As for membership, recruitment is great and we need to make certain we retain as well. Foundation is an area we need to educate ourselves and membership on.
* A meeting location for January 2022 on might be needed as the hospital will not likely reopen to civic organizations and we do not want to wear out our welcome with PSU. Zach suggested Watco’s basement as an option to check with.

**Good of the Order**

Next board meeting is December 14, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at the PSU Wilkinson Alumni Center.

Meeting adjourned 12:00 p.m.