**Pittsburg Rotary Club**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**April 13, 2021**

Members present: Zach Adams, Bryce Anderson, Monica Angeles, Jon Bartlow, Bob Beasley, Jerime Carpenter, Pam Henderson, Brian Jones, Angela Meyer, Johnna Norton, Will Norton, Julie Reams

Members absent: Brett Dunbar, Cristy Mitchell, Jeff Wilbert

Johnna Norton called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. at the Lord’s Diner. There were no additions/corrections to the March 30th minutes. Julie moved to accept the minutes and Zach seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Jeff Wilbert (absent)

* Checking - $2,410.79; Money Market - $16,079.90; Rotary Leffler Park - $10,305.29
* Only expense, $1,500 payment to Jake Rudisill for his work on the Centennial book.
* Johnna will need reimbursed for bike helmets (under $500) and meeting treats ($40).
* Dues notices sent out by May 1 with deadline of June 10.

**Secretary’s Report** – Pam Henderson

* Total membership at current is 88: 74 active, 11 R85, 3 honorary. Three members down; one added.
* Attendance average July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 is 57.1% with make-ups factored into the number. March was 63.5%.
* Presidential Citation: We are required to complete 13 out of 25 achievements. We have 12 completed. Need to submit a media story on a club project.
* Consider a Friend of Club Award.

**President’s Report** – Johnna Norton

* Attended district assembly on April 10.
* RI convention will be held virtually on June 12-14.

**Committee Chair Reports**

**Club Administration** – Zach Adams

* Scheduling programs and club administrative duties for the rest of the year.
* Consider club credit card and digital payment options (Venmo, PayPal).

**Membership** – Jon Bartlow

* Jerime will post the Facebook membership challenge language Jon proposed and then members can share it. In May, we will utilize Facebook sponsored ads to recruit members. $25 drawing for members who share and tag friends and $25 drawing for guests at meetings and events between now and July 1.
* Jon reaching out to Joe Hart to coordinate honorary member induction.

**Service** – Bryce Anderson and Monica Angeles

* Salvation Army commodity distribution on April 21 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
* Saturday, April 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. we will team up with Pittsburg Beautiful and Pittsburg Area Young Professionals to pick up litter around town.
* May 25 at 5 p.m. we will clean up the trail to Leffler Park starting at Trailhead Park.
* Bike safety rodeo and helmet distribution in coordination with the Pittsburg Police Department at Kansas Kids Day on May 1.
* Sharing Smiles Signs – Johnna contacted Lindburg Pharmacy and Community Health as possible locations. GNB hosted already. Quincy and Rouse intersection and PSU Alumni Center were mentioned as other possibilities. A committee/person will need to be found to chair this project.

**Rotary Rocks Out Hunger** – Jon Bartlow

* Event will be June 5 and band is confirmed.

**Foundation** – Julie Reams

* 14 Paul Harris Fellows honored.
* “Pull the Points” campaign to transfer membership points to others actively seeking their PHF. 29 members have not received the distinction.
* Bob shared what he learned through the district grant training and the importance of our membership giving to the Foundation. 100% Rotary Foundation participation earns us district recognition and an advantage with district grant funding.

**Public Relations** – Jerime Carpenter

* Board was interested in Instagram, not Twitter. Engage more Facebook publishers.
* Jerime setting up Microsoft Teams to organize club admin duties. Board will have access first, then committee chairs and so on.
* Add meeting schedule through July 1 to the Scuttle.

**Youth Services** – Elishia Seals (absent)

* Scholarship application deadline is April 16. Share information on Facebook.
* Members want students included in meetings, either virtually or in-person. Johnna coordinated with SMC for students at April and May meetings. PHS unable to attend but bios can be read; want administration to realize we want student engagement.
* Discussion ensued about raising the scholarship amount in upcoming years. Consider looking into a fund at Community Foundation or somewhere for sustainability and to collect tax-exempt donations.
* A photo and copies of the checks are needed to fulfill the district grant requirements.

**Interact/Rotaract** – Brian Jones

* Plan to activate next year. Bob suggested engaging the PSU International Students.

**Strategic Plan** – Cristy Mitchell (absent)

* Strategic initiatives for the next five years are coming together. A draft will be ready for the May board meeting.

**Old Business**

* Leffler Park main playground equipment is reaching the end of its life. Possible project for a district grant application. According to Parks Director Kim Vogel, even with a 50% off sale, a big piece of equipment runs $25,000-40,000 and then another $10,000-$20,000 for the waste tire surface.
* City’s miniature golf course is in need of repair. Contracting a company to redo costs approximately $100,000-$250,000 and up. It was suggested maybe the PSU Construction Trades class might be interested in this as a project.

**New Business**

* Women’s event will be June 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Kansas Crossing Casino. A raffle to raise funds for Polio Plus will take place. Brian moved to authorize signature of the contract and $500 to the event budget. Bob seconded and motion passed.
* Bike helmets – 8 were distributed at the YMCA Day. Pam moved to buy 40-50 more of the cheap helmets, depending on price break, for May 1 and future events. Julie seconded and motion passed.
* Meeting meals – Club will need to start collecting meal fees and the hospital will invoice us once a month. For May and June, there will be boxed lunches for $ 7 each. Consensus was to have members commit to May and June and pay by May 1. Hospital okay with us having meals catered, if we desire in the future.

**Good of the Order**

Next board meeting is May 11, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at Ascension Via Christi 5th floor.

Meeting adjourned 12:05 p.m.