**Pittsburg Rotary Club**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**April 18, 2023**

Members Present: Bryce Anderson, Jon Bartlow, Bob Beasley, Kip Bollinger, Bob Burk, Mindy Cloninger, Diane Cunningham, Pam Henderson, Dave Looby, Becky McDaniel and Jeff Wilbert.

Members Absent: Zach Adams, Monica Angeles, Brian Jones and Stephanie Potter

President Jon Bartlow called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. at Ascension Via Christi. A correction to the March 14, 2023 minutes was that the Lord’s Diner check will be presented as part of the program on May 16 instead of April 18 due to a programming change. Diane moved to approve the minutes and Dave seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Jeff Wilbert

* Checking - $17,025.34; Money Market - $18,456.09; Rotary Leffler Park - $13,252.03
* We have committed $10,000 from the park fund for equipment, but are waiting on the city for further direction.
* One member unpaid – Gloria Montes

**Secretary’s Report** – Pam Henderson

* Total membership at current is 91: 73 active, 13 R85, 5 honorary. Three terminated, nine added.
* Attendance average July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 is 62% with make-ups factored into the number. February attendance was 54% and March was 59.4%.
* Presidential Citation: 15 goals completed for this year. Mindy and Bob Burk noted they were in Rotary Action Groups, making it 16 goals completed for the year.

**President’s Report** – Jon Bartlow

* Rotary and Pittsburg Area Young Professionals will hold a joint After-Hours event on May 25 at 5 p.m. at The Jolly Fox. Under this new agreement, the board decided that Bekah Harlan qualified for two years of membership at the discounted rate.
* Jon distributed potential questions for the membership survey. It was noted that last board meeting we decided not to include questions regarding lunch, so those will be eliminated.

**Committee Chair Reports**

**Club Administration** – Monica Angeles

* Programs are scheduled into June.

**Membership** – Bryce Anderson

* Lacee Merando with Communities in Schools expressed interest in our club and will attend next week. Still working on Doug VanBecelaere at Jake’s Fireworks. Brian Sullivan has shown interest in rejoining.
* New member orientation on June 20 at Leffler Cabin.

**Service** – Bryce Anderson

* 66 members or 80% have participated in at least one service project.
* Car seat checks with the police department and Salvation Army commodity distribution took place in April. Dictionaries are being distributed to area schools. Members have participated in Youth Leadership and Spruce Up Pittsburg. A park and trail clean-up are being planned.

**Rotary Rocks Out Hunger** – Jon Bartlow – May 20, 2023 6-11 p.m. at The Pitt

* Bands are secured.
* Need a committee or volunteers to collect money at the doors, handle raffle drawings and prizes and other items to take this event to the next level. Board discussed changing the venue to Pickled Pete’s or passing a bucket if not everyone who enters the restaurant pays the cover charge.

**Foundation** – Diane Cunningham

* Presented a draft proposal for sharing Paul Harris points within the club. Board felt first-time Rotary Direct donors should receive priority and that forms should be provided to each member showing their current donation status and how many points they have.

**Public Relations** – Stephanie Potter

**Youth Services** – Elishia Seals

* The four scholarship applications received were reviewed. Bob Beasley, Bob Burk and Bryce agreed to sit on a committee to further review them to ensure they met the criteria. Upon the committee’s recommendation, an email vote of the board will be taken. $5,000 is budgeted for scholarships from our district grant application to cover the scholarships, including one to a PSU ROTC student selected by ROTC. It was recommended the scholarship deadline be moved up to February or March 1 next year to get ahead of the other scholarships.

**Strategic Plan** – Zach Adams

**Old Business**

* Student guest’s coordinator – Tabled.
* Community investments – The miniature golf course Joe Leek is fundraising for, The Spot that the high school Launch program is working on and Dan Bikes Kansas were all discussed. The consensus was we want something our name can go on for years to come. Bob Beasley moved to donate $2,500 to the miniature golf project and that the club be asked to match those funds so we can raise $5,000 to co-sponsor a hole. Kiwanis has donated $5,000 to The Spot and the club will revisit that project at a later date.

**New Business**

* End of the year awards – Due to time constraints, the topic was tabled and Pam will start preparations.

**Good of the Order**

Next board meeting is May 16, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at Ascension Via Christi in the 5th floor conference room. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.