**Pittsburg Rotary Club**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**May 16, 2023**

Members Present: Zach Adams, Bryce Anderson, Monica Angels, Jon Bartlow, Bob Beasley, Bob Burk, Mindy Cloninger, Diane Cunningham, Pam Henderson, Brian Jones, Dave Looby, Becky McDaniel and Jeff Wilbert.

Members Absent: Kip Bollinger and Stephanie Potter

Guests: Cristy Mitchell

President Jon Bartlow called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. at Ascension Via Christi. A correction to the agenda was that a miniature golf hole sponsorship was $10,000 and Rotary was looking at contributing $5,000. Bob Burk moved to approve the April 18, 2023 minutes and Bryce seconded. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Jeff Wilbert

* Checking - $11,566.16; Money Market - $18,512.21; Rotary Leffler Park - $13,249.14
* Paid Monica’s costs for the PETS conference and $5,000 to PSU Foundation for our scholarships.
* 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
* Dues letters will go out June 1.
* Larissa Bowman will be the next treasurer and will likely not be able to attend every club meeting. Jon inquired about an assistant treasurer position and Ryan Moore was suggested as a possible candidate.

**Secretary’s Report** – Pam Henderson

* Total membership at current is 91: 73 active, 13 R85, 5 honorary. Three terminated, nine added. Ready to induct Brian Sullivan.
* Attendance average July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 is 62.5% with make-ups factored into the number. April attendance was 66.4%.
* Presidential Citation: 16 goals completed for this year.
* It was suggested the club provide tea and water at meetings. The cost would be $10 per week. There was a consensus among the board to provide the beverages and pay the associated costs.

**President’s Report** – Jon Bartlow

* The membership survey will go out in June. Jon is in process of changing job positions at PSU and has a lot of upcoming work travel obligations.
* 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.
* Information was distributed from the district requesting funds for a special scholarship endeavor for a 2019 Youth Exchange participant Ona Chika. The board opted not to contribute to the scholarship.

**Committee Chair Reports**

**Club Administration** – Monica Angeles

* Programs are scheduled for the rest of the year. If someone is interested in being a program, they should contact Bryce to get scheduled. On June 20th, we will meet at the Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas Parolo Center.

**Membership** – Bryce Anderson

* In the pipeline: Doug VanBecelaere with Jake’s Fireworks and Ronda Shelton with the city has attended twice.
* New member orientation is scheduled for June 20 at 6 p.m. at Leffler Cabin.
* Diane Cunningham will be the next membership chair.

**Service** – Bryce Anderson

* Joshua McCloud will be the next service chair.
* Will schedule a park and trail clean-up. Salvation Army commodity distribution will be in June. Dictionaries were distributed; a suggestion was made to see if there are ones with a Spanish portion.

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

* Volunteers will collect the cover charge at the doors. Jon asked about conducting a 50/50 pot during the event. Zach suggested putting signs on the table that say enjoying the music and have our Venmo code so people can donate instead of passing a hat.

**Foundation** – Diane Cunningham

* Presented a draft letter showing how much a member has donated, what match the club provides annually, how close they are to reaching Paul Harris Fellow status and sharing information on how to transfer their points within the club. Board suggested explaining the point transfer process a little more. Letters will go out in June.

**Public Relations** – Stephanie Potter

* Stephanie had her baby on March 22nd and should be returning in another month.

**Strategic Plan** – Zach Adams

* Committee will meet in June.

**Youth Services** – Elishia Seals

* Three of the four high school scholarship recipients will attend today’s meeting.
* Becky and Bob Burk volunteered to co-chair this committee next year.

**Old Business**

* Community investments – Mindy shared information on The Spot that the high school Launch program is working on. Community Health Center purchased the land and they have raised $55,000 for the park. Kiwanis has donated $5,000 to the project. Monica moved we donate $5,000 and Dave amended the motion to be for $5,001 to show up Kiwanis. Bob Burk seconded. Motion passed.
* Miniature golf – The membership matched our $2,500 donation so we have $5,200 for the new miniature golf course. An entire hole sponsorship is $10,000. Jeff approached the Sunrise Club to see if they would be interested in sponsoring the other $5,000 so Rotary could have a whole hole sponsorship. The Sunrise board meets on May 17.

**New Business**

* Women’s Event – The committee is asking for approval to pay the $173 Memorial Auditorium contract for the event. Bob Beasley moved to approve payment of the venue and Mindy seconded. Motion passed.
* End of the year awards – Pam is working with Jon on end of the year preparations. The board typically selects the Jack Overman Rotarian of the Year recipient. The board requested Pam email them the past five years’ worth of recipients and nominations be sent to Jon. Nominations are due May 19.

**Good of the Order**

* Jon shared he has been promoted to Associate Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students and Becky was also promoted to Associate Vice President for University Advancement.

Next board meeting is June 20, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas Parolo Center. This will be a joint meeting of the current board and the incoming board members and new officers. Incoming board members are Jim Henry, Matt O’Malley, Marcia Sorrick and Elias Tawil. Cristy Mitchell will be secretary and Larissa Bowman will serve as treasurer. Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.