**Pittsburg Rotary Club**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**February 12, 2019**

Members present: Zach Adams, Bob Burk, Lynette Downing, Brett Dunbar, Kathleen Flannery, Pam Henderson, Cristy Mitchell, Johnna Norton, Julie Reams, Laura Samford, Jeff Wilbert

Members absent: John Clark, Joe Leek, Becky May, Angela Meyer

Guests present: Marsha Wallace

* Bob Burk called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m. There were no additions/corrections to the January 8th minutes. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

**Secretary’s Report** – Pam Henderson

* Total membership at current is 91: 77 active, 10 R85, 3 honorary, 1 leave of absence. Year-to-date: six members terminated and six new members plus one to be inducted today.
* Attendance average July 1, 2018 to current is 75.3% with make-ups factored into the number. January tentative is 75.6%.
* 8 members remain below the 50% attendance requirement. An email notification was sent to those on probation and the board will continue to assess each member individually at future board meetings and determine if any action should be taken. Those under 15% are being contacted about their membership status.
* Ken Cunningham requested to be moved to R-85 status. Having met the criteria, a motion was made and seconded to approve his change in status. Motion passed.
* A list of this year’s goals and Presidential Citation criteria were distributed and reviewed (attached).

**Treasurer’s Report** – Jeff Wilbert

* Checking - $2,102.70; Money market - $24,100.00; Rotary Leffler Park - $8,078.66
* Meal charges for January were $140. Two student guests and a program speaker are meal costs absorbed every week.
* Jeff presented a list of major expenses remaining for the year (attached) and requested we obtain an invoice from Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas for the dental clinics.

**President’s Report** – Bob Burk

* Lynette Downing resigned from the board because of work obligations. Bob reviewed the board election results from December. A motion was made to offer the next highest vote getter, Marcia Sorrick, the opportunity to fill Lynette’s vacancy. Motion was seconded and passed.

**Committee Chair Reports**

**Club Administration –** Cristy Mitchell

* Community grant recipients and RYLA will be the program on February 19. Working on scheduling Block 22 for March Dick Coleman will speak on April 23. The new PSU baseball coach was mentioned as a prospective program.
* Club anniversary will be either April 16 at the Lord’s Diner. Cristy will work with Joe Dellasega on coordinating a big check presentation.

**Membership –** Johnna Norton

* At 91 members which is a net gain of one. Will be inducting Nick Dellasega today. Diane Cunningham and a new prospect through RI, Taylor Edmonds, will both be visiting.
* Our existing and new member retention rates are very high.
* Another New Member Orientation is planned for March 26 at Leffler Cabin.
* Working on an email to membership about Rotary Direct and adding birthdays through My Rotary.
* In replacement of a membership contest, we will try to better educate the club on open classifications and encourage them to bring guests year-round. One method for this was adding tally marks on the Scuttle to show how many members each person has recruited. A wine tasting event was also an idea the membership committee would like to pursue.
* A list of possible honorary members were presented. Ballots were distributed and Dick Coleman was selected. A motion was made and seconded to offer Dick Coleman a honorary membership beginning with the 2018-2019 Rotary year. Motion passed. Jeff Wilbert will reach out to him.

**Service –** Joe Leek.

* Absent; no report.

**Foundation –** Julie Reams

* Jeff Elliott will receive his second Paul Harris Fellow next meeting he attends.
* Continue to encourage members to utilize automatic bank drafts and online giving.

**Public Relations** – Zach Adams

* Zach still working on the shared calendar and sign-up genius for events and service projects.

**Rotaract** – Zach Adams

* No report.

**Youth Services –** Becky May

* She is happy with the senior students the schools are sending as Students of the Month.
* Scholarship information is out and application details will be provided to the club.
* Meagan Loudermilk will present at the February 19 meeting about RYLA.
* The Pittsburg High School debate coach is looking at dates in March/April for a program to encourage students to participate in the Four-Way Speech Contest.

**Old Business**

* Centennial Bench – Zach presented three styles for consideration to be placed outside along the wall by the Lord’s Diner. Discussion ensued. A motion was made and seconded to purchase two 8 foot blue benches (option 3; attached) with personalized messages of Pittsburg Rotary Club and the other with Service Above Self. Motion passed.
* Rotary signage at city entrances – There are five sign locations including the addition of one at Leffler Park. Our meeting sign will read Ascension Via Christi Tuesdays at 12 noon. The board decided to keep the same wheel design as we currently have. Pam will check with Sunrise to gauge their interest in splitting the cost of the Rotary wheels as well as updating their signage.

**New Business**

* Bob presented a check to the Frontenac Rotary Club for their 40th anniversary over the weekend, which prompted Sunrise to match our donation.

**Good of the Order**

Next board meeting is March 12, 2019 at 11 a.m. at the Via Christi Hospital Centennial Conference, 5th floor. Meeting adjourned 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Henderson, Secretary