



**Hot Springs Village Rotary Club
Board Meeting Minutes - April 27, 2023
Village United Methodist Church 8:00 a.m.**

Clark called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m. It was determined we have a quorum. Present: Clark, Zahnd, Vittengl, Shelton, Hendricks, Kahle, Blair, Jordan, and Bridges. Absent: Reuter, Smith, Wright, Pederson. Guest: Evans.

Motion by Zahnd to approve the minutes of the board meeting 3/30/23, second by Bridges. Carried.

Shelton provided the Treasurer's report. Shelton asked for input on next year's budget be provided to him after May 15.

As it relates to the budget, several concerns were expressed about the lack of sales for our Mothers' Day brunch. This could be a problem for the budget. Concerns were also expressed about last year's Mothers' Day brunch not being quite as nice as in previous years and an effort needs to be made to ensure that this year's event be brought up to previous standards. There was a general feeling that this is a good Rotary project, and we need to continue it in spite of the challenges.

Kahle reported on the work of the Grants Committee. The committee used a system that allowed each committee member to independently rank the grant requests. This data was aggregated and then discussed by the committee. The recommendation of the committee is to award grants as follows:

Project HOPE Food Bank Inc.	\$1,000
Faith Fellowship Church Pantry	\$1,013
Mt. Pine Police Dept. #1	\$924
Dick Johnston Children's Camp	\$1,000
Mt. Pine Police Dept. #2	\$1,356
Altrusa Int'l. of H S V	\$600
Literacy Council of Garland Co.	\$750
Great Futures Preschool & Childcare	\$748
Garland Co. Search & Rescue	\$800
Cooper-Anthony Mercy Child Adv. Ctr.	\$200
The CALL in Garland & Hot Springs	\$955

The total amount of grants is \$9,346. Motion for approval by Shelton, second by Blair. Carried.

Pederson was not in attendance but sent out an email ahead of time reviewing the status of our current service projects. There was discussion about how to improve the experience/camaraderie for Rotarians involved in the trash pickup.

Vittengl indicated there was nothing new to report from the Vice President.

New Business

Evans has agreed to take charge of the Traveler's baseball game event. We have a contract for \$400 and we need a minimum of 20 people to participate. The group decided to select the \$21.50 ticket price so there is a wider variety of food choices.

Zahnd reported from the Rotary Scholarship Committee. They received 19 completed applications. The committee has selected one student from Mountain Pine, Fountain Lake, and Jessieville school districts and one non-traditional student. Each student will receive a \$1,000 Rotary scholarship.

Blair discussed the next Glenn Miller concert which is scheduled for April 18, 2024. She indicates that the band requires 25% down to book them for the concert. We'll likely start pre-sales in the fall. There was discussion of how to best market the concert. Many felt last year's experience was so positive that we may be able to have a sellout this next year. Motion by Kahle, second by Shelton to move forward with the project. Carried.

Old Business

There was a discussion of members who were not paying their dues. We have four people who owe for more than two quarters. The individuals were Campbell, Holley, Thomason, and Heffer. It was decided among the group that someone from the board would reach out to each of these members to determine their intentions regarding their continued Rotary membership.

Shelton raised the issue regarding our constitution and bylaws. Specifically, they do not match the way we're doing business today because of our two clubs. Points made included the question of whether we need a Vice President and that we needed more representatives from the evening club on our Board of Directors. Vittengl suggested we might consider forming an ad hoc committee to work out possible changes to both the constitution and bylaws. It was suggested we have three members from the evening club and three from the morning club work with Shelton in this effort.

Clark adjourned the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert Vittengl
Secretary Pro Tempore