Rotary Club Hot Springs Village

Notes from Board Meeting – August 18, 2022 (no quorum)

**Board Members Present**:

Bruce Borton, President, Wendy Blair, Drew Kahle, Phyllis Johannsen, Denise Smith

**Board Members Absent:**

Mary Smith, Kathy Wright, Harv Shelton, Susan Clark, Paul Bridges, Jack Rueter & David Childs

Members Attending:

Diane Shaw, Bob Shoemaker, Connie Shoemaker, Spence Jordan, Clif Haygood

President, Bruce Borton called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. A quorum was not present. It was agreed that the

following items requiring board approval would be voted on via email.

Club Secretary, Kathy Wright will be asked to email each item requiring approval on Monday, August 22, 2022; tally the

responses and report via email to the Board.

• **Mother’s Day Fundraiser:** Co-Chairs Lydia McCartney and Jack Rueter ask the Board to approve proceeding with

plans for the Mother’s Day event to be held on May 14, 2023 at the Coronado Center. Motion made by Bruce

Borton; Seconded by Phyllis Johannsen. (Note: Bruce has tentatively reserved the Coronado Center for

Saturday, May 13th and Sunday, May 14th. The committee needs to confirm dates with Bruce asap. Denise

Smith indicated she would not work on the committee; but would send all her notes/information to the

committee. Wendy Blair indicated she would like to be a committee member.)

• **Fall Social Event:** Steve & Kathy Wright ask the Board to approve moving forward with a fall gathering event on

October 29, 2022. Event to be catered by Clampetts; location to be announced. Motion made by Bruce Borton;

seconded by Phyllis Johansen

• **2023 Bus Trip Fundraiser:** Bus trip organizers, Steve & Kathy Wright and Mary & Bob Christains ask for Board

approval for the 2023 Club Bus Trip with a destination to Huntsville, AL. The trip will occur either Spring, 2023 or

Fall, 2023 depending on pricing and availability. Motion made by Bruce Borton; seconded by Phyllis Johannsen

• **Guidelines for Service Hours & Make-ups**: Club Secretary, Kathy Wright, proposed service hours & make-ups to

be recorded as follows:

o Service Hours:

§ When working on a service project; you will receive one (1) service credit for every hour worked.

Only whole hours will be counted; half hours will be rounded up.

§ When participating (bringing food, books, coats) you will receive one (1) service credit per

event.

§ Only service projects recognized/approved by the Board will be eligible for credit. (Note: Board

is seeking guidance from DQ, Bill Fish, to ensure all clubs in the district are abiding by the same

guidelines.)

o Attendance & Make-ups:

§ Attendance will be tracked & recorded as in the past.

§ Make-ups will only be given when a) attending another club’s meeting; b) attending committee

meetings and c) planning meetings.

§ Note: It will be the responsibility of Committee Chairs and/or members to submit request for

make-ups to Kathy Wright.

Motion made by Bruce Borton; seconded by Phyllis Johannsen.

• **Club’s Vision & Mission Statements:** Aligning with Rotary International’s vision and mission statements;

President Bruce Borton made a motion to adopt the following Club’s Vision and Mission statement composed by

Nancy Hendricks. The motion was seconded by Phyllis Johannsen.

o RI Vision: TOGETHER we see a world where PEOPLE unite and take action to CREATE lasting CHANGE

across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves.

§ **Our Vision: We are a diverse group of men and women committed to making positive**

**contributions in our community and around the world. Through fellowship, fundraising, and**

**service, we meet needs with ideas for action to make last change.**

o RI Mission: The Mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and

advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace, through its fellowship of business, professional, and

community leaders.

§ **Our Mission: Using our gifts and talents, we work together to make our community and the**

**world a better place.**

• **Project Hope Food Pantry**: Club member, Clif Haygood, asked the Board to consider approving the Project Hope

Food Panty as a recognized Service Project for which service hours will be given. Clif reported that any Rotarian

may serve at any time and currently there are a number of club members working at the food pantry. Clif

agreed to do a presentation on Project Hope at the September 22, club meeting. A motion was made by Bruce

Borton to add Project Hope to our list of sanctioned service projects. The motion was seconded by Drew Kahle.

General Discussion Items:

• President Borton, kick-off our discussion with a reminder that we need to get through the administrative stuff

and put all our time and energy into bringing everyone together through interesting programs, service projects,

and fundraising events. Drew Kahle questioned the purpose/power of the Executive Committee. We agreed org

chart has been approved in the last meeting; but purpose/power would be flushed out in revised Bylaws

discussions

• Bruce shared a thank you for our COG event from past-DQ, Kathy Carter.

• Attending member Bob Shoemaker, offered a spreadsheet (developed by several club members) of potential

club speakers to help ensure the continuance of quality club programming. The group also identified those

individuals within the club who would be most influential in extending the speaker invitation. It was suggested

that speaker events be published at least 2-months in advance. The spreadsheet will be given to the Programs

Committee of Bruce Huddleston (After-hours chair) & Ray Barber and Tom Liles (Morning chair) & Drew Kahle.

• Attending club member, Connie Shoemaker, reminded us that the Arkansas dental clinic projects is being

planned for April of next year (hopefully) and we should have the organizer, Dr. ?, come as our speaker.

• Club vacancies: Club Admin Chair remains vacant; President Borton, will ask for club volunteers for each club

event. If no volunteers, event will not occur. Bruce is still actively looking for a videographer. He’ll check with

Dr. Murphy to see if students could possibly help.

• Phyllis Johannsen reported sufficient interest from the After-hours Rotarians to proceed with the 5th Tuesday

social. Kathy Wright to notify and ask Jordan Graves and Matt Scroggins to proceed with planning event. If a

location can be secured quickly; sign-up sheets will be forthcoming. (Note: Jordan and Matt had previously

agreed to co-chair the 5th Tuesday of the month social events.)

• Attending club member, Spence Jordan, presented a possible idea for a HSV Fire Department vs Police

Department Basketball Game. Event could be a possible fundraiser. Spence was asked to work with Fundraising

Co-chairs, Denise Smith and Susan Clark and to report back to the board.

• David Childs sent a request for a personal leave of absence through Phyllis Johannsen. Phyllis reported David

has indicated he needs to step away for several months. David’s absence creates a deep void for the club; he

suggested asking Dean Winter to be interim chair in his absence. Bruce will reach out to Dean. David’s absence

also leaves the club with no Rotarian at the POA Newcomers event. Spence Jordan volunteered to cover this

event on August 24; he will also take his Vials for Life. Bruce will ask for volunteers to staff the POA Business

Expo Fair on September 30. (Note to Fundraising Co-chairs: David indicated he would pass on all his information

on the Tour 18 Golf Fundraiser he had been working on, when requested.)