



## Board Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2023

Village United Methodist Church

Members Present: Susan Clark, Jim Zahnd, Kathy Wright, Wendy Blair, Harv Shelton, Mary Christians, John Obrien

Members Absent: Paul Bridges, Bob Vittengl, Melanie Pederson, Mary Beth Evans, Drew Kahle

Guests: Mary Christians, John Weidert, Tony Cifelli,

Susan called the meeting to order at 8:12 am.

### **Secretary Report – Kathy Wright**

Wendy made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 6<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Harv seconded it, Motion passed.

### **Treasurers Report – Harv Shelton**

Harv talked about the need to amend the budget because both the Morning and the After Hours Groups are having a meal when the District Governor visits. This amount was taken out of the budget but it has since been decided that it needs to be there. After discussion, it was decided that \$650 will be added for that event for both groups to use. Wendy made a motion to accept this, Susan seconded the motion, motion passed.

### **Foundation – Jim Zahnd**

So far there has been \$2,685 donated to the Foundation. There is roughly 25% of what we did last year, so we are off to a good start.

### **Charity Corp - Harv**

The only thing going on with the Charity Corp is that we have taken in money for the Bus Trip and Birthday checks. Wendy mentioned that she needs to give Harv the contract for Derek for the Victory Dance and she will need a check written.

### **Grants - Drew Kahle**

No Report.

### **Membership – Tony Cifelli and Mary Christians**

~~The Board brought up questions about who is on the Membership Committee from the After Hours Group. It was decided that Melanie Pederson is membership for the After Hours Group.~~ Tony reported that the Morning Group voted on moving the meeting time to 7:30am. Kathy commented that if we change the time the Morning Group will need to choose an Assistant Secretary for when she cannot be there. Kathy will still do DACdb, the Board meetings, and the After Hours Group attendance. The motion was made by Mary to accept the new meeting time, Wendy seconded the motion, motion passed. Tony and Mary have both said they would step up and take care of attendance when needed.

Mary reported that they are going through DACdb and find members who have dropped and also members that can no longer attend regularly to see if they can become involved again. Susan mentioned that when they contact people keep in mind that there are two meeting times that can be offered. It was suggested that we do an Inside-Out program with Dennis Simpson to advertise our Rotary Club.

The Membership Committee is asking for extra money for new member packets. We need to be able to order the pins and hats also. Kathy asked why we need to have more information printed when we just had it done last year. They want to re-create the tent cards and new information. They are asking for \$350 more. Susan asked Harv if there was money in the budget to do this. He thinks we can find the money. Wendy made the motion to give membership the extra money, Kathy seconded the motion, motion passed.

### **Social Coordinator – Mary Beth**

Travelers game is coming up and we need twenty people to sign up. We only have seventeen at this point.

### **Service Projects – John Obrien**

John's idea of service projects is to focus on projects of substance, which could make an impact in our community. When people see that project they associate it with the Rotary Club and they know what we are all about. He sees projects in the community, the POA, community, outside the community gates as an areas we could focus on. He would like to poll members to find out what their passion is and what they would like to work on. He would like all of our committees working together to make projects happen. He is not a fan of the pop-up projects, but is willing to have other members head them up and contribute to them, but he would like to see the members getting involved in the organization for which we are doing the pop-up. Jim said that we are doing alot of projects and they are not wrong but they are not projects which would make someone stand up and say they want to be part of that club. Discussion continued from the group about where to focus our energies.

### **Fundraising – Wendy Blair**

Wendy verified the main fundraising events we have: the Mother's Day event, the Victory Dance, and the Bus Trip. Wendy is working on the Victory Dance, she is open to members and friends who would like to add to this event to make it grow. She wants to start planning in September. The Bus Trip is planned for October and there are still seats to fill. A Chairperson for the Mother's Day event is needed.

### **Hospitality – Lee Ann Branch/Nancy Hendricks/Melanie Pederson**

### **Old Business**

Heritage Festival – Planned for August 25<sup>th</sup>. Discussion was made about why we are there and what is our purpose to being there. Are we raising money?

### **New Business**

Community Fair – September 2023 – Kathy mentioned that the After Hours Group talked about this and are not happy that the membership committee has decided to separate the working hours of this event between Morning and After Hours Groups. This is further separating our club and it should not happen. We need people from both groups to work together at all sessions.

Hanamaki – This project is a carry-over from before Covid. Paul is asking for \$1,000 for a student(s) to go over to Hanamaki as an exchange student. The kids at the School of Math and Science are the future leaders of our country and we should be promoting them. The funding could come from the Charity Corporation, with adjustments to different line items. John made a motion for this amendment of the budget to make this happen, Harv seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Breakfast – Susan has asked for help doing the breakfast for the Morning meetings. She has done this for several years and cannot continue. She will ask for help from the Morning Group. Meanwhile John Weidert and John OBrien will help out next week.

Spotlight – Kathy asked the group if we could bring back the Spotlights to help our members know each other.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting August 31st.

Respectfully submitted

Kathy Wright

Secretary

## Spousal Membership

This new category is being created to allow spouses who consistently work our service projects and our fundraising efforts to be recognized by RI/District as Rotarians.

Spousal members are not required to attend any weekly meetings.

Spousal members are not able to serve in any leadership capacity of the club.

Spousal members are non-voting members

Spousal members have reduced quarterly dues covering District and RI dues only - This is recommended to be \$35 per quarter

How does this differ with those spouses that are full club members:

Full Club memberships are expected to attend weekly club meetings

They are voting members who participate by providing guidance on service and fund raising efforts

They are eligible to take leadership roles in club and district management

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