

Rotary District 6510 Disaster Response Committee

Minutes February 12, 2019

Members present on the call:

Chair PDG Joe Miller	iPDG Jill Pietrusinski	Debbie Miller	September McAdoo
PDG Wayne Gerlock	Bill Hackler	Aur Beck	Holly Austin

Chair Joe Miller reported

Ed Hoke picked up the trailer for the VRC. The next step is to communicate the list of needed supplies to the clubs and to begin fundraising to supply the trailer. It will be stored in West Frankfurt for now. We are waiting for the proof of the artwork from Tim Grigsby from Simple Solutions for final approval.

We have the specs for Disaster Aid USA and Wayne is working with Tim for the final design. The trailer has more space for signage than the original images we saw. That final design will be sent to the committee for final approval. The lettering was not originally budgeted for, so will be a slight additional cost.

We have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Disaster Aid USA, with edits based on the original agreement.

We need to create a list of people who can tow the trailer to Disasters and other events, as well as a list of people able to deploy and work out of our trailer. Wayne has a one page handout with image of trailer and list of desired items to disseminate to the clubs. He will send a digital set to Jill for posting on our Disaster Relief Facebook Page. All forms and files are in DAC, currently in MSWord with plan to convert to pdf files. To find files in DAC go to District Files then follow the links as shown below. Wayne will change DAC settings to send notice to members upon file upload.

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At LOL PETS we will have a couple of tables and the trailer on display. We will accept donations as well as generate interest with other districts. We appreciate volunteers from attendees to help.

The list of members with vehicles who can tow the trailer is important. The specs will be communicated as to towing capacity need. Disaster Aid USA will need our help if they need to use the trailer. We are seeking an Ambassador from Zone 31 to serve on the Disaster Aid USA board, as well as others to serve as assistants.

We need a list of team members (up to 4 people at a time possibly) to travel with the trailer if more than the trailer is requested.

Any of us with the FEMA training as listed on DAC would qualify as "trained" to be eligible. Wayne reported District 6510 is on the forefront of Rotary Districts in preparation for a Disaster. We need to work on more engagement of all committee members as well as target getting all members trained in the FEMA courses.

Disaster Aid USA is on track to become an officially sanctioned Rotary Partner (similar to Shelterbox).

Ed Hoke is working to develop a VOAD in Southern IL eventually. September reported Clinton County had a VOAD at one time as well.

Aur has been presenting to area clubs with a request for money to help supply the trailer. He said now that we have the trailer the response has been more favorable. We will create a video at PETS to promote the DR committee and the trailer. DGE Gary Hamm has agreed to continue to support the DR committee as well and Joe will ask if we can have a few minutes at PETS District Breakout.

Aur will check to see if we can park the trailer at his lot to be more visible. We will plan to have the trailer at all District training events as well as rotating to other locations to help promote Rotary and our Disaster Relief.

We need to clarify a "contact us" number. Jill will set up a QR code to drive to our DR Facebook Page.

September suggested we have the DR Trailer in St. Louis at the upcoming National conference in StL. DAUSA has funding that can help cover the costs of any attendance at conferences to promote Disaster Aid USA. September will gather the information and get to Wayne.

Next call MARCH 12 at 7:30pm. This will be a conference call 618-230-4116. The conference code is 6510#.

Respectfully Submitted,

iPDG Jill Pietrusinski