

**Minutes Rotary Club of Marietta Metro - District 6900**

**2022-2023 Board of Directors Marietta, Georgia**

**Date of Board Meeting: June 6, 2023**

**Board Members present (unless noted):**

* President: Buck Buchanan
* President Elect & Membership: Chris Stokes
* President Elect Nominee: Ron Lunk
* Treasurer: Chad Pendley
* Secretary: Sally Platt
* Immediate Past President: Amy Erskine - **absent**
* Club Administration Director: Jatunn Gibson - **absent**
* Public Relations Director & Parliamentarian: Adam Rozen
* Community Service Director: Rene Lanier
* Rotary Foundation Director: Pat McBride
* Vocational Service Chair: Jason Marbutt
* Youth Services Chair: Kay Anderson - **absent**
* Executive Secretary (Ex Officio): Angelique Soulakos - **absent**
* Special Advisor (Ex Officio): Mitch Simmons

**Call to Order: 5:350pm**

**Secretary: Sally Platt**

* Minutes of last meeting approved with one correction on a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed.
* Attendance for May: 68%
* Gordy Nichols status – a letter is being sent to Gordy concerning his dues and membership status.
* Jim Mossman – he had asked for a LOA until the end of June. No response has been received from him concerning his intentions/
* Dalton Heiney update – Buck has spoken with him and advised him that in order to leave the club in good standing, he needs to pay back dues.
* Amy Erskine has requested a leave of absence until December 31, 2023. She has been advised that she will be billed $100/quarter while she’s on leave.

**Treasurer: Chad Pendley**

* Club P&L and Budget
* Foundation P&L and Budget

**Community Service Projects: Rene Lanier**

* + Upcoming projects – a report detailing recently completed and upcoming projects was distributed to all Board members.
  + Toiletry items for Park Street Elementary School students – tabled until the new Rotary year.
  + Goody bags for police and firefighters – assembly scheduled for June 12th and 26th after the club meetings.
  + Veterans Program – a speaker has been engaged for this event/
  + The Women’s Extension has requested help with funding a retreat. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the sum of $1,000 was approved for this purpose.

**Membership Director: Chris Stokes**

* New member update – Nick Gaba will be inducted in July.
* Red Badge – requirements are being updated. Red Badge members will be asked to complete 8 or the 10 requirements.
* Next Member Social will be in July at the Melt Yard – date to be determined.
* Fireside chat has been rescheduled to July.

**Foundation Service: Pat McBride**

* The presentation of recognition items will take place on June 12th.

**Global Grant Update: Mitch Simmons**

* Mitch reported that work on the GG for Eswatini is moving along, albeit slowly. He has confirmed with the District Rotary Foundation Chair that money from the District is being held for this project.
* Sally Platt reported on a potential project with 2 clubs in Nigeria to provide feminine hygiene products to school-aged girls. The project will be headed by the R.C. of North Cobb, but financial participation from other clubs in the Cobb Rotary Council will be sought. Sally is serving as an advisor to the project.

**Public Relations/Parliamentarian: Adam Rozen**

* Revision of the Bylaws to comply with the Recommended Club Bylaws from Rotary International was approved on a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed. The club Constitution also has been updated. They will now be presented to the club for a ratification vote.

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**Vocational Service – Jason Marbutt**

* Update on the Backpack Buddies project: the Backpack Buddies organizers are reorganizing the program. More information about expectations will become available closer to the opening of the new school year.

**Youth Service: Kay Anderson**

* Laws of Life – Ron Lunk will make a concerted attempt to get Marietta H.S. involved.
* The Marietta H.S. Interact Club received a Zone Interact award.

**President-Elect: Chris Stokes**

* Early indications are that the proceeds of the golf tournament exceeded the amount from previous years.
* A planning session for RY 2023-24 will be held on Wednesday, June 14th at 2 p.m. at Mayes Ward-Dobbins. Anyone who wishes to stay for dinner is asked to let Chris know.

**President: Buck Buchanan**

* NAMI Grant Update – the collaborative grant application was not approved by the District. We will continue to pursue it in the new Rotary year.
* The year-end party/club 45-year anniversary party will be held at the Gardens at Kennesaw Mountain on Saturday evening, June 24th.
* Discussion ensued concerning the possibility of moving the venue of our weekly meetings.
* Buck has spoken with Amanda Henderson in the Chattahoochee Tech Foundation about how our scholarship there can be better utilized. Several changes to our scholarship agreement were discussed. The matter was referred to the club Foundation board for review and revision.

**Immediate Past President: Amy Erskine**

* Sporting Clay Tournament Status: In Amy’s absence, Buck stated that since Amy is taking a leave of absence, she will be unable to help with the Sporting Clays tournament. Lynn Lanier will co-chair the event with Chris Stokes.

Next Meeting: July 11, 2023 at Mayes Ward Dobbins

Chris to provide refreshments.

**Meeting adjourned at: 6:50 p.m.**

**Minutes recorded by: Sally Platt**