

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

**2023-2024 Board of Directors Marietta, Georgia**

**Date of Board Meeting: August 7, 2023**

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

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

Also present were club members Nick Gaba and Mike Goins

**Call to Order: 5:33 p.m.**

**Secretary: Sally Platt**

* Minutes of last meeting were approved on a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed.
* Attendance for the month of July was 75%
* Red Badge Update – several red badge members still haven’t completed the list. They are now being asked to complete 8 or the 10 items.

**Treasurer: Chad Pendley**

* Club P&L and Budget – distributed and reviewed by President Chris.
* Foundation P&L and Budget – distributed and reviewed by President Chris.

**Community Service Projects: Rene Lanier**

* + Upcoming projects – report distributed to all Board members prior to the meeting.
  + Adopting new RCMM Grant Form – tabled until next meeting.
  + Toiletry items for Park Street Elementary – approved at a previous meeting. The RCMM Board now needs to review and approve.
  + Veteran’s Program – still searching for a speaker.
  + Hayes Elementary School, West Cobb – Rene believes there are needs at this school and would like to research and report back at our next meeting.

**Membership Director: Ben Frye**

* Next Member Social – Wednesday, August 16 at L on North
* Fireside Chat – attended by Nick Gaba, Carter McKinnon, and Tom Clarke

**Foundation Service: Pat McBride**

* Most club members have submitted pledge sheets.

**Global Grant Update: Mitch Simmons**

* Africa planter project with North Fulton – in progress, moving slowly. The host club is completing their community needs assessment.

**Parliamentarian: Adam Rozen**

* Veterans Court graduation will take place on August 25th.

**Vocational Service: Jason Marbutt**

* In Jason’s absence, a discussion ensued concerning the proposed Backpack Buddies. No vote was taken, as the consensus of Board members was to affirm their previous NO vote.

**Youth Service: Kay Anderson**

* Laws of Life- Get MHS involved.
* Interact scholarships were presented at today’s meeting. Kay suggested that in the future, the amount of scholarships should be increased. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the amount of $2,000 per scholarship was approved. Final determination and approval will be made by the RCMM Board.

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**President-Elect: Ron Lunk**

* Golf Tournament – scheduled for May 20, 2024 at Pine Tree Country Club.

**President: Chris Stokes**

* Clay Shoot update
* NAMI Grant Update – in progress
* Rotary Holiday Party – Jennifer Collins – tentatively set for December 8, 2023
* Relocating Weekly meeting – Chris and Buck negotiated a lower rate with the conference center personnel. The plan now needs to be approved by the management and a new contract signed. In the meantime, we can consider offsite meetings at the other two venues under consideration.
* Chris stated that the meeting on August 14 will be a club assembly. Board members were asked to submit their plans to him so he can prepare a PPT.

**Immediate Past President:** Buck Buchanan

* Rule of 85 Dues – a new policy was circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the policy was approved. It will be uploaded to the Documents section of DACdb.

**Next Meeting:**

September 11, 2023 at Mayes Ward Dobbins

Adam Rozen to provide refreshments.

**Meeting adjourned at: 7:06 p.m.**

**Minutes recorded by: Sally Platt**