

**Minutes**

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

**Marietta, Georgia**

**2024-2025 Board of Directors**

**Date of Board Meeting: March 11, 2025**

**Board Members:**

* President: Ron Lunk
* President Elect: Lynn Lanier
* Membership: Chris Stokes - **absent**
* Treasurer: Chad Pendley
* Secretary: Sally Platt
* Immediate Past President: Chris Stokes
* Club Administration Director: Kim Cross - **absent**
* Public Image Director: Sally Platt
* Community Service Director: Rene Lanier
* International Service Director: Buck Buchanan
* Vocational Service Director: Stan Hoover - **absent**
* Youth Service Director: Jim Bunda - **absent**
* RCMM Foundation Chair (Ex Officio): Mitch Simmons - **absent**
* President-Elect Nominee – Daniel Owen

**Call to Order: 5:45 p.m.**

**Secretary: Sally Platt**

* Approval of February meeting minutes – there being no additions or corrections, the Minutes of the February Board meeting were approved as submitted.
* Attendance – 69% for the month of February
* Red Badge Update – Makia Metzger, Karen Heard

**Treasurer: Chad Pendley**

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

**Public Image: Sally Platt**

* The EPIC award submission if complete through the month of March
* The Marietta Daily Journal is now charging $35 for press releases if we want them to be included in the print and online versions of the paper. Discussion ensued. Then on a motion duly made, seconded, and passed by a majority vote, the amount of $35 was approved for a press release about the FODAC equipment drive.

**Community Service: Rene Lanier**

* Extension Dinners have been scheduled through April, 2025:

Women Men

4/3/25 4/22/25

* We will sponsor the Shamrock Shuffle again this year on Saturday, March 15, to benefit the Police Athletic League. Sponsorships range from $500 to $10,000. All offer the opportunity to have a 10 X 10 display space with table and chairs at the race. Last year we were $3,000 sponsors. We have requested a table and the logo for the tee shirts has been submitted. We have four slots for the race available for use. This was approved in the annual budget.
* The FODAC collection is scheduled for March 22 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. The new date has been confirmed with FODAC and First Presbyterian Church. The letters to nursing homes, senior centers, churches, etc. were mailed in early February.
* 2000 labels from SOAP were affixed to soap and returned for distribution in our efforts to prevent human trafficking in Atlanta this spring.
* The Lembeck Center has provided the dates for Audrey of the Alliance Theater to perform for the children. We need to notify the Center when a Rotarian wants to visit. The schedule is as follows:

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| Alliance 2025 |  |  |
|  | Wednesday | Thursday |
|  |  | 8:00am off campus- Bumblebee |
| 8:20am | Sunflower |  |
| 8:55am | Mockingbird | Firefly |
| 9:30am | Ladybug | Hedgehog |
| 10:05am | Dogwood | Butterfly |

* The District Grant for 2024-25 needs to be finalized. That will be done this week.
* In lieu of providing Welcome Baskets for women rescued from prostitution, we will spend that money instead with LifeSafe Resources, which is local.

**Membership Director: Chris Stokes**

* Associate Membership Classifications – Sally proposed that we add a new membership classification of Associate Member. She will provide a description and proposed fee structure for the next meeting. Discussion ensued, during which Chad confirmed that the amount of dues being charged to the Corporate members is sufficient to cover R.I. and District dues for the additional members who are part of the Corporate membership. Those members (3 from FPC and 1 from SouthState Bank) will be reported to R.I. as Associate Members and will receive name badges.
* Fireside Chat will need to be rescheduled again.

**International Service: Buck Buchanan**

* Paul Harris Fellow presentations will take place at the meeting on March 24th.

**Golf Tournament: Buck Buchanan**

* Buck reported that we are currently 64% of the way to our financial goal for the golf tournament.
* 4 golf spots are still available.
* Sponsorships are still available.

**President-Elect: Lynn Lanier**

* Lynn presented his slate of officers for RY 2025-26. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the slate of officers was approved.
* Planning meetings are tentatively scheduled for Friday, April 11th and Friday, May 23rd.

**President: Ron Lunk**

* Cobb Rotary Council Meeting recap
* The Cobb Rotary Council will have a social on Tuesday evening, Marth 25th at the Punch Bowl in the Battery
* A club assembly will be held on March 24th.

**Next Meeting**

April 8, 2025 at Mayes Ward-Dobbins. Chad to provide refreshments.

**Meeting adjourned at: 7:35 p.m.**

**Minutes recorded by: Sally Platt**