**Minutes of the Classic City Rotary Board Meeting on January 14, 2019**

1. **Call to Order Charlie**

*The meeting was called to order at the Holiday Inn by President Charlie at 11:00 am. Attending were Board Members, Charlie Fleming, Cris Waite-Morgan, Rick Leffel, Heather McElroy, Paul Matthews, Jay Milner, Joe Trocino, Anjela Filipova, Kemp Gaskill, Gerry Taylor, and Dick Field. Also attending was Adam Mosley.*

*Dick read the Club’s Vision; Adam, the Mission; and Cris, the Purpose.*

1. **Administration**

**-Secretary’s Report Dick**

*The minutes of the December 17, 2018 meeting were accepted as presented.*

*Dick reported 64 current members with 75% attendance in November. Two members have expressed interest in transferring to other clubs but no effective dates have been established. Little change in members with poor attendance but dues are being paid with the exception of Corbett Chandler who has been given until the end of January to catch up or be terminated. The President will remind members to pay dues each week from the podium.*

*Dick raised the question of dues for Rule of 85 members. This is stipulated in the new member categories in the revised by-laws but is not being consistently applied. There are currently 5 R85 members (Barron, Gomez, Johnson, McKeller, and Vickery) and 9 who are illegible (Appleby, Collins, Field, Green, Hawley, Henderson, Shropshire, Waite-Morgan, and Mary Lille Watson). Some R85 members are paying full dues while others are only paying for meals when they attend. A clear procedure needs to be established to handle the billing once the categories and costs are presented to all members. Gerry (Membership) and Rick (Administration) were tasked with providing this with the assistance of Dick (Secretary) and Cris (Treasurer).*

**-Treasurer’s Report -- attached Cris**

*Cris noted that half way through the year we are on track with the budget. Jay moved and Anjela seconded that the report be accepted and it passed unanimously. Gerry added that in addition to this report we have about $29,000 in our Donor Advised Fund with the RI Foundation.*

**-Questions Regarding Committee Reports Respective Chairs**

***Programs***

*Jay provided an updated program listing and noted efforts to procure some of the potential speakers and off-site locations. Joe encouraged us to use the programs to invite prospective members. He and Jay were directed to advertise these on the website well in advance.*

***Membership***

*Gerry presented two names for membership: Deborah Gonzalez, an attorney nominated by Courtney Davis and Noris Diaz with State Farm Insurance nominated by Pete Wood. The Board gave unanimous approval for these proposals to be announced to the membership. Gerry again reminded us that PETS will be on March 1-3 at North Oconee High School and there will be an event on April 5 at the Piedmont Healing Lodge before the District Assembly.*

***Service Programs***

*Paul noted that our MLK Day of Service activity will be limited to the Acceptance Recovery Center for men as the women’s property is not yet acquired. He will announce this to the club and send out a reminder and method for registering. We will have our usual lunch at the Holiday Inn that day, but these is no speaker. Rob and Michelle are working on Youth Services but have not yet connected with the Athens Academy folks. Gerry noted that any participation in their hunger program should link with Rotary’s 10 million meals program.*

*Paul moved that $500 be given to MLK Parade and Music Fest and Heather seconded. The Philanthropy Committee was lukewarm on this. Even though we contributed to this last year, we are not sure how it was used and have reservations about this year. The motion failed with only Paul voting in favor.*

**III. Vic Chesnutt Songwriter of the Year Update**

*Anjela reported the Vic Chesnutt event planning is moving forward and the website has been updated. A time line and budget have been drafted and nominations are already coming in as well as sponsorships. Adam is on the planning committee and provided some additional details. There will be a Kickoff function at Hendershot’s on Feb 8 with entertainment but no cover charge.*

1. **Credit Card Processing Update – Charlie**

*Charlie provided information on a method by which members could pay their dues by credit card. This would be handled through DACdb, our database system. Even though the member would pay for the transaction fees, there would be a set up change and annual fees to the club. There was some uncertainty as to how many members would use this, especially since about 60% of our members’ companies pay their dues. It was decided to present this to the Club for feedback before making a decision.*

1. **Other Business**

*-Rick noted that the deadline for nominations for the Stubbs and Arringdale awards is fast approaching. Send nominations to Rick asap. One suggestion was Nancy Denson for the Stubbs award.*

*-Gerry asked if and how we should provide tips to our HI servers. Will probably do this in June but we need more information.*

**IV. Adjourn** *12 noon.*

**Next Meeting: Monday, February 11, 2019**

Respectively submitted,

Dick Field, Secretary