**7360 Foundation Committee Monthly Zoom Meeting**

**Minutes for September 12, 2021**

Members Present: Carl Askew, Howard Benner, Herb Smith, Ken Martin, Dana Orsini, Kat Snowe, Swan Stull, John Taylor, Pam Wagoner, Kelly Wike, Susanna Tomlinson (District Secretary)

Excused Absence: Jeff Coup, Susana Falck, Vicki Zimmerman

Update on past district grants: Report from PI of DDF. Issue with unrecognized checks sent to grant recipients: Howard ordered new checks with proper numbering. New checks were sent out and recipients were told to only cash the second check. Howard will write a check for what we owe as not all clubs used the entire grant money; club was unable to finish their project.

Pam Wagoner shared 8 club submitted request at this point, one club had two projects. Total requested so far was over $16,000. There is three days left for grant submission. Ken believes that we will have 25/30 grants and some clubs were experiencing computer issues. There were a total of 9 grant seminars given this year to assist clubs. Swan went over a spread sheet that gave an over sight of what the outcome may be.

Discussion followed concerning a disconnect within the District. Is there a need to teach DACdb and request that Dan, District Trainer, add this to the training program? Who should be required to attend Grant Seminar? Are club goals in My Rotary a stumbling block?

Global grant report: John: John shared he is looking for $20 to $40 thousand dollars to support a Global grant in El Salvador for clean water. He has contact with Phoenix and Denver clubs for help. A second environmental grant in our area has support interest from Muncy, Keiser, and Huntingdon. He is 10-15 K short. John is available to speak to club to attempt to raise $500 per club. John will speak at the Foundation dinner. We are requested by RI to build relationships and how will we stay connected to El Salvador in the future and with what kind of support.

PolioPlus report. Jeff reported 54 members are signed up for the Polio + Society at $100 per year. Swan encouraged everyone to continue to promote the project throughout the Zone. Jeff will offer membership at the Foundation Dinner. WGM is on track for October 24 or nearby date.

Kelly and Swan will ask AG’s to help with EREY so that each Rotarian gives minimum of $25. Our goal is to ensure there are no non-giving clubs.

Future discussion: How to make the grant process more inviting and successful. Swan will send out discussion points.

Next meeting: October 10, 2021 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted: Susanna Tomlinson, District Secretary