**Rotary Club of Manassas**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**City Tavern**

**Wednesday, December 18, 2024, 10:30 – 11:30 AM**

**Rotary Club Minutes**

Ab Basu called the meeting to order at 10:33

**Present:** Ab Abu, Willis Jones, Ed Pratt, Kris Evens, John Weltzel, Xiao-Yin Byrom, Cindi Kacer, John Goldwater Robyn Williams, Cheryl Dashiell

**Special Guest Report:** Mike Guidotti, Scout Master Troop 670 – Overview of Scout’s Activities

Troop 670 Since 1953 Here to request re-charter Charter Agreement with our club. Their attendance has declined due to COVID. Reviewed what projects they have done in 2024; 11 campouts this year and went on many field trips. The Summer camp was in the Shenandoah. They currently have 35 youth members and retention is good. They have 4-6 Eagle Scouts every year.

Scouts participated in the Mathis Clean Up with us. They are youth lead. Train on leadership every 6 months. They push national leadership opportunities, 6 went this year. They have nominated 7 for next year and have logged over 500 volunteer hours. Scouts came up with their own vision and mission statements. There are 32 committee adult members.

They have apple butter left to sell. One priority for next year so service opportunities which means they will help us (parades, street clean up, etc)

Email troop if anyone orders through the link.

Xiao-Yin Byrom asked about any challenges or issues in the past or potentially in the future.

Nothing of note. There was a minor issue with one adult which has been addressed. John Goldwater asked about vehicle insurance. They only carry insurance on trailers. Use personal liability for personal cars. On February 12th either him or Melissa Goodman will present to the club. He left the Charter Agreement with us and will need it by the 20th of December.

**It was motioned** by Xiao-Yin Byrom to accept Troop 670’s request to sign the re-charter agreement, seconded by Cindi Kacer, **motion passed.**

**The minutes** from the previous meeting were reviewed. Willis motioned to approve the minutes Cindi seconded. Discussion, Cheryl D. thought they discussed money for the Impact Club. There was no other discussion. **Motion passes.**

John Goldwater shared the **Treasurer’s Report**. John has officially taken over Treasurer since November 2024. We are changing from QuickBooks to DACdb and need one more invoice cycle. He will need to work with both QuickBooks and DACdb for a little longer to ensure the transfer is complete correctly.

We have about $34,000 balance today. RI bill is due Q1. With a large balance, serious discussion about moving money to the foundation.

**John Goldwater motioned** to transfer $20,000 from the club to the Manassas Rotary Foundation, Xiao-Yin Seconded. **Motion passes.**

Ed Pratt motioned to accept the **Treasurer’s report**, Xiao-Yin Byrom seconded. **Motioned passed.**

Bill Holliman stated the balance in the meals is now down from $5000 to $3500.

**President’s Report-** Rex Parr and Greg Mason has resigned.

Reverse Raffle- Kris and Luke are going to make a decision about food after the Reverse Raffle Committee votes on which restaurant they would like to hire. Everything else is moving forward nicely.

Tips received for wine to go to the medical missionary. Silent auction will not go to the foundation but to the club which is a change from past years.

Cheryl D. report about the foundation- Mike Cundiff and Mike Vanderpool, along with the Cheryl D., have worked a great deal on the foundation. Each club member is a foundation member. The best practice might be to define what major contributions the foundation will commit to and have the club vote in advance every year which organizations to donate. The goal is to get buy-in from the club and the foundation then review the bylaws and the ppm for any revisions. There was am MOU between the club and the foundation years ago.

The bylaws do not address giving, so what needs to be updated is the PPM. When the PPM is updated, it needs to include the Impact Club.

Don’t add new members into DACdb until January 2025 so RI does not charge us.

**Impact Club Report-** No report

**Committee Reports-**

**Membership**- Jeff Brown was absent, no report

**Club Administration**- Ernie Newland was absent, no report

* Programs- Cheryl Dashiell shared that February 5th is pending a program and the week of Feb 19th we need to have a program on peace
* Social Events- Xiao Yin Byrom had no report

**Public Image**- Kris shared the Church is no longer a picture on the website. It has been replaced with a photo of City Tavern.

**Service Projects-**

Literacy- Cindi Kacer had no report

Youth Services- Robyn Williams had no report

**Rotary Foundation**- Xiao-Yin is taking courses and learning about foundations. She signed up for PalGreen. Raising $7,500 plus an additional $2,500 which Emilia Stansell will contribute $2,500 for a special wheelchair. Xiao-Yin and others from our district are going to Argentina next year to distribute wheelchairs. Xiao-Yin is going to India for a Polio initiative