2015-16

District Governor Rob Hemmen

Foundation Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 2, 2015 5:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Susan Giove	Susan Reeves	David Blair	
Rich Graves	John Nanni	Jen Reider	Bill Ferguson
Clif Hutton	Max Hutsell	Tracy Ritter	
Jon Hickey	Joy Reider-Simpson	Gov. Rob Hemmen	
Elizabeth Rhoads			

Chair PDG Susan Giove called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and welcomed the group. She shared that there is still a need for Foundation Advocates in Areas 40 and 50. Please reach out to the clubs in those areas for interest. She also introduced the newest member of the team, Max Hutsell who is serving as Area 41 Foundation Advocate.

Chair Susan Giove also passed around the Zone 33 Priorities and Goals for 2015-16 – a copy is attached.

Chair Susan Giove gave the good news of **2014-15 Foundation giving** during Governor Jen's year. It is as follows:

Total amount given by D7630 clubs - $284,921.37
Annual goal 93.23% achieved
Annual fund per cap - 128.70
Annual fund - $195,883.67
PolioPlus fund - $83,572.53
Endowment fund - $5,465.17

Chair Susan Giove is looking for help with planning the **Foundation Dinner** – it will be held on Friday, November 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Cambridge, MD. The keynote

speaker will be Marion Bunch. The district will cover Marion's travel, hotel and ticket to dinner. ***Note: after the meeting and prior to distribution of meeting minutes, Joy Reider-Simpson volunteered for and was named District Foundation Dinner Chair.***

PolioPlus Trifecta –
World Polio Day is October 24, 2015 - PolioPlus chair John Nanni would like all clubs to participate in the World's Greatest Meal during the week of (or the week after) October 24. Last year 31 or 40 clubs contributed $31,000.00 to PolioPlus as a result of their WGM fundraisers. **Strike Out Polio at the Shorebirds –** Preliminary estimate of funds raised is +/- $4,000.00. **Strike Out Hunger at the Phillies** – Preliminary estimate of funds raised is +/- $20,000.00 for all districts involved.

District Grants – A copy of the spending plan for district grants this year is attached. There was an unforeseen issue with the Rehoboth Beach Sunrise grant application in that the grant is to provide two wells in the Congo. The Congo is not an approved country, so there needed to be additional paperwork and forms submitted to TRF before it's approved. After many phone conversations with RI, Chair Susan Giove believes all required paperwork has been submitted and now we are awaiting approval.

Clubs have been advised not to start any of their grant activity until full approval is given by TRF. This poses some issues with other clubs' grant activity, because some are time sensitive. There was a lot of discussion around allowing the time-sensitive grants to be started; however, Susan Giove decided that all clubs need to wait for the final TRF approval. She hopes to have answer in the very near future.

> **Grants Management Seminar -** Clubs are still required to send at least two members to a Grants Management Seminar in order to qualify for a grant next year. Having a seminar at PETS worked out really well, and that allows all clubs to automatically have one person attend (the PE). Other seminars have not been scheduled at this time; however, last year's format of having a seminar in Sussex and NC counties worked out well and were well attended.

Global Grants - There is a new RI team for global grants, so there will be more due diligence required, particularly for larger projects. The district is sending funds to four continents through global grants. Wilmington West, Christiana, Newark and St. Michael's are current global grant clubs.

Multi-District Global Grant – Jon Hickey reported for Jill Gordy that verbal approval has been received for the multi-district global grant for the Family Health Day Initiative. D7630 was not expecting to have to handle any funds for the multi-district global grant headed up by Jill Gordy. It seems, however, that we may need to "pass funds through". On behalf of Jill, Jon Hickey asked if it would be possible to write a check from the existing Foundation account instead of opening a new, dedicated account. Treasurer David Blair and Chair Susan Giove agreed that would be OK to do that.

Paul Harris Society – Chair Elizabeth Rhoads let the group know that PHS used to be a district managed program; however, it is now managed by RI. There are materials at Rotary.org – printable brochures, power point presentation and you can sign up to be a PHS member through Rotary Direct. Elizabeth is going to put some information together regarding PHS and email it out to the committee so that advocates may share the information with their clubs.

Meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at Maple Dale Country Club.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan M. Reeves