



2017-18 District Governor Rich Graves

Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2017 at Maple Dale Country Club, Dover, DE @ 3:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Gov. Rich Graves	Jack Riddle	DGN Bill Ferguson	Mike
Mabe	John Nanni	Brad Skelcher	
PDG Jen Reider	iPDG Clif Hutton	Cathy Anderson	Ceil
Rozumalski	Tom Bickerstaff		
Susan Reeves	Marie Calafiura	Carlene Roche	DGE
Pete Booker	PDG Ed Wilchinski		

Meeting was called to order at 3:06 by Governor Rich and the group recited the pledge.

Rich welcomed the group, and each member introduced themselves for the benefit of Marie Calafiura, the newest member of the team.

The previous meeting minutes were reviewed, and there were no exceptions taken to them as written. Carlene Roche motioned to accept the meeting minutes, Jack Riddle seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Governor Rich went over some key points of the Treasurer's Report submitted by district treasurer Chad Milton. Chad had surgery earlier in the week and could not attend the meeting. Governor Rich briefly went over some of the expenses incurred this year including Governor Rich's district conference venue deposit, DGE Pete's district conference venue deposit and the RYLA hotel deposit. The treasurer's report documentation is attached.

DGE Pete Booker – Pete indicated that he's moving along with his team, which is just about complete. Pete is still looking for successors for Area 41 AG, Area 40 AG (Charlie Towers of the Nanticoke/Seaford club has opted out of the position) and Area 30 AG; he asked the LT to think of Rotarians who would be willing to fill those spots.

Pre-PETS is going to be a one-day event on Saturday, January 27, 2018 in Kent Island, preferably at the venue where the KI club meets. He and Carlene are also considering an overnight event on January 26 for AGs.

Pete already has a draft club visit schedule, which is obviously subject to change.

Margo Johnson will be Pete's Lt. Governor and will be very involved in his year.

PETS is scheduled for March 1-3, 2018, again at the Westfields Marriott in Chantilly, VA. There will be another PN session scheduled for Saturday, March 3, from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the cost of \$40.

DGN Bill Ferguson – Bill is working on his district conference. He mentioned at the last COG meeting talk of reinstating the conference committee for background work was heavily discussed. There is a conflict with the current ROP and this committee, which the P&P committee will discuss. Marie Calafiura suggested using an ad hoc committee, which can be done without changes to the ROP. Pete, Bill and Rich will keep the line of communication open in discussing and sharing information about conferences.

Governor Rich interjected about faltering attendance at the conferences and wants the team to look for and share ways to make the event more palatable club Rotarians to attend.

Bill also discussed his completion of Zone 33 training and is working on putting his team together. Bob Smith of the OC/B club will be Bill's Lt. Governor.

Atlanta Rotary International Convention – There was much discussion about the logistics of the convention, good and bad. Overwhelming in some areas and very inspirational in others. The overall sense of those who attended was that it was fabulous. Handicapped accessibility was very poor.

Toronto Rotary International Convention – Rich asked for a show of hands from the group for attendance at the 2018 Toronto Convention, and it looked to be more than half. Rich has already booked his hotel at the Westin Harbor Castle, which is about ¾ mile from the convention venue. Cathy Parsons of the North East club is a travel agent and has already booked four rooms. Rich asked for a volunteer to coordinate specifics for the trip, and Carlene Roche volunteered to take it on. The district is going to do something for the convention; however, there will be no subsidies for registrations.

Philadelphia Rotary International Convention – The potential future Philadelphia International Convention is not going to happen. iPDG David Harandon from D7450 is still trying to get a future convention to Philadelphia, so we may be hearing more about it in the future.

Foundation Report – PDG Jen Reider – The first committee meeting will be held immediately following the LT meeting commencing at 5:00 p.m. Any LT member not already attending is always welcome. In that light, PDG Jen expressed a desire to enlarge the committee. The next

committee meeting will be on September 14 at 5:00, again immediately following the LT meeting.

Jen wants to make sure all clubs enter their goals into Rotary Club Central, which is also one of RIP Ian's Presidential Citation requirements. Would like to increase Foundation giving by 10% this year. Would like to increase number of PHS members, as well as having district leadership recognition to each PHS member.

Important DRF dates:

Thursday, September 21, 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., venue TBD, Foundation Seminar with information booths, roundtable discussions and more.

Thursday, November 9, 5:30 p.m., Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department, Foundation Dinner, with guest speaker iRIVP Jennifer Jones.

PolioPlus Report – John Nanni passed around the Strike Out Hunger flyer for the Phillies game to be held on August 11, 2017 at 7:05. This game should be a draw because Pete Rose will be honored at the game as well. In addition, there will be a Strike Out Hunger dinner on August 12, 2017 at the Westin Hotel in Mt. Laurel, NJ. District 7630 is guaranteeing one table of 10, but John would like to see more. Last year our district held three tables of 10. The cost is \$45 pp. Contact John for tickets.

John will also be sending information to club presidents regarding this year's World's Greatest Meal to end Polio in honor of World Polio Day on October 24, 2017. In the past, the district has averaged about \$30,000 for this event.

There was an anonymous donation to PolioPlus from a member of the Newark Morning club in the amount of \$50,000.

RI would like each club to donate \$1,500 to PolioPlus. This is a stretch for some smaller clubs, but the larger clubs usually make up the difference and our district typically nets much more than that.

There was one new case of polio announced today in Pakistan, bringing the total to seven cases so far this year. There were 19 cases this time last year.

John and PDG Jen would like to ask each member to go online and make a donation of \$40 if possible.

RI and the Zone would like for the district to donate 20% of their DDF to PolioPlus. In 2016-17 our district did not meet that goal.

As always, John is available to speak to clubs. In the past three years, he has visited each club at least twice.

Strike Out Polio at the Shorebirds – Will take place on Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 7:05 p.m. There will be fireworks at the end of the game as well. There are only reserved seating tickets for \$10, \$12 or \$20, with half of that amount donated to PolioPlus.

CART Program – Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust. Governor Rich et al received a briefing about the program at PETS. It's a program that was started in North Carolina and is similar to

the Pennies for Polio program. Rich asked for someone to coordinate a program for the district, and Marie Calafiura kindly volunteered to do so.

Area 51 – Mike Mabe – Mike let the group know that the Tidewater Easton club is already doing EPIC things – they’ve donated \$20,000 to Project Purple, which is the Talbot County Sheriff’s Department’s program on the opioid epidemic. Mike asked Governor Rich to send a note to the iPP Lucie Hughes and current club president Devon Hainey regarding this donation. Easton club netted \$50,000 for their Flags for Heroes program.

Area 41 – Jack Riddle – Jack is working on coordinating more area-wide events, power in numbers. The area participated in the Color Run and netted \$3,000, the area had a crab feast benefiting Alzheimer’s research netting \$3,000. He’s now working on a Christmas lights project in Lewes, DE

Area 60 – Marie Calafiura – Marie is working closely with Bill to get up to speed. Bill noted that Pocomoke is still having issues, including their current president is in his third consecutive term. AGs and area clubs have offered help and support, but they aren’t take up on it. No real long range plans for the club. Bill and Marie will visit the club soon and try again.

Membership – Ceil is willing to travel to any district club to be a speaker or to help with membership. She’s following up on the leads provided to her by RI – those leads are also provided to the DG, the DES and the AGs. Ceil will come up with a protocol for dealing with these leads so that there’s no overlap or underlap in contacting clubs with these leads.

AGs – Governor Rich passed around a sheet with AG responsibilities, as well as his Governor’s Citation sheets. Club Presidents were sent information on the Governor’s Citation.

DG Nominating - Would like district leaders and club members to begin thinking about potential candidates for District Governor.

Immediate Past Presidents Council – Rich would like AGs to go to clubs to talk about the council (can also include an Past President, not just Immediate). Rich is looking to have the first meeting after the Foundation Seminar on September 21.

Rotary Club Central – Cathy Anderson – There are only eight clubs with no goals in Rotary Club Central, compared with 21 clubs at this time last year. Cathy credits Pre-PETS hands-on training for the difference. The eight clubs with no goals are: Brandywine-Naamans, Chestertown, Denton, Hockessin-Greenville, Kent Island, Pocomoke City, St. Michaels, Wilmington West. FYI RCC will be shut down for maintenance from 7-14 through 7-17.

Policy & Procedures – Kai Lassen – The ROP were amended at the district conference this year. Susan indicated that she has been remiss and has not updated the ROP to date, but will in the

following week and they will be added to the district website. Marie Calafiura will be joining the committee.

Parliamentarian – PDG Ed Wilchinski – No report. PDG Ed indicated that his having no report is a good thing, as that means district is working well.

Rotaract – Brad Skelcher – There is a new Rotaract club at the University of Delaware. Kai indicated that some Interact students entering the UD were instrumental in getting the club underway.

The group recited the Four Way Test, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at Maple Dale Country Club.