Rotary Club of Franklin Daybreak Board Meeting – January 4, 2024

- 1. In attendance: Ben Rodriguez, Rachel Hoskins, Ron Winecoff, Fred Jones, Rick VanGilder, Vicki Lawrence, Keith Bowers. Meeting called to order at 8:05 am.
- 2. Admin: We have some great programs lined up include Melissa Wargo, Chief of Staff from WCU, Tim Hodgins, CareNet and Jennifer Love, STEM.
- 3. Secretary: Attendance has been slim but hopefully it will improve now that we are past the holidays.
- 4. Treasurer: Current balances are: Fundraising = \$46,000+ and Operating: \$13,000+
- 5. Membership: Katelyn VanderWoude has been inducted. Her orientation is this week. Kristie Brennan and Shaun Mercy are prospects.
- 6. Service: 67 pairs of shoes were delivered for our Heart and Soles project along with socks. Gift cards were also given to Kaylee's Closet.
- 7. DEI: Fred has some tentative plans for events including highlighting successful leaders from various backgrounds to speak at the Performing Arts Center next Spring. We will target high school kids. Will look into forming a committee to start working on the details. We are also looking into helping with the landscaping that will be needed for the women's history statue being dedicated on March 22nd. Keith know the contact that we need to work with. Rachel suggested sponsoring an art exhibit to coincide with the statue dedication.
- 8. Public Image: Rachel and Vicki plan to tag team Public Image for next year. They also will contact Katelyn to see if she would be interested in helping.
- 9. Foundation: Through December we have given 6K to the annual fund and 4K to Polio Plus. That equals \$157 per member. We are 6th in the district.
- 10. Youth: Graham Caldwell will be an assistant group leader. Henry and Gracie will attend RYLA. The Noon club is also sponsoring 2, Zowie and Nathan.
- 11. Giving Opportunities: Future of Hope Family Ministries is working to purchase land in Tegucigalpa, Ecuador to build a community Center. Fred has checked into their non-profit status and plan for purchasing the land and building the center. He is comfortable with donating \$3,000. Ron second the motion and everyone voted in favor.