

WIARTON ROTARY CLUB EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 , 2020
Home of Gay Ratcliffe, Georgian Bluffs, ON 6:00 PM

Present: Mike McMillan, Kathryn Christie, Scott Elliot, Mike Mason, Trevor Hathaway, Eric Robinson, Gay Ratcliffe, Donna Stewart

Regrets: Pat Cavan

Member Guest: Randy Curran

	ITEM	NOTES	ACTION ITEMS	MEMBER
I.	Approval of the Agenda	Motion to approve the Minutes by Kathy C. , Seconded Mike M. All carried.		
II.	Approval of the Minutes	Motion to approve the Minutes by Kathy C. , Seconded Mike M. All carried.		
III.	TREASURER'S REPORT	<p>(Financials Attached)</p> <p>Balance Sheet: As of end of January, had \$18,000 in business account and \$3600 in trust account. Nothing to be concerned about, we are just spending more quickly than last year, but it is all within budget.</p> <p>YTD: Scott compared revenues to same time last year. Our fundraising has been fairly strong.</p> <p>Re: Cheque for Avoidable Blindness: Gay forwarded contact details to Trevor H., and Trevor has followed up.</p> <p>Scott investigated/received quotes for insurance. Decision was made to stay with our present insurer.</p>	Set up separate line in accounting to track this sponsorship.	Scott E.
IV.	COMMITTEE REPORTS			
	1. Membership	Report attached. Addition: New member will be inducted shortly. A guest coming this week, who has indicated interest in Rotary.		

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	2. Public Image	Have started to go through the website, remove old information, put new information in. Goal is to have all information on how to run our events, stored on the website.		
	3. Foundation Report	\$3500 CDN (\$2590 US) donation has been made to Foundation. Corresponding with Martin Ward, District Chair of Foundation. we've asked him to come speak to the club in May. (May 21, 27 or 28 th .) 'Hand Up' meeting takes place on Feb. 12 th .	Confirmation of date for Martin Ward presentation.	Trevor H.
	4. Fundraising Report	We have received a sponsorship cheque that will require our setting up a separate line in the accounting. We have a 3 year agreement with them which includes the potential for increased sponsorship if our attendance goes over 5000. Re: Platinum Level Sponsorship – We will be posting acknowledgements on social media platforms. Weekly for the last month. Maple Magic – working on 'Follow Us' and 'Tag Us' signs. Using Hootsuite to schedule posts. Radio Ad with the Dock, is in the works. More Posters coming. Volunteers – only 2 empty volunteer spaces. Approx. 1100 volunteer hours. Had meeting with an electrician in General Store.	Postings re: new sponsor.	Donna S.

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VI.	OLD BUSINESS			

	<p>1. District Grant (Proposal due end of March)</p>	<p>Suggestions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water Refill Station for Bluewater Park – 5 (pool, fish cleaning station, train station, Willie's summer home, ball diamond). Locations have been identified within the park. Currently all sites have water units, push buttons, winterized, quote from SBP including Approximately \$4500 per unit. Objective: 1 unit by Rotary, 1 by Lion's, 1 by Optimist, 1 PASA, 1 by SBP. This is still preliminary planning. 2. Phragmites Project in Oliphant 3. Colpoy's Creek cattle fencing project of BPBA. 	<p>Continue to develop this water refill station project and update executive.</p>	<p>Mike M.</p>
	<p>2. Update on Water Refill Stations</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Will apply for a District Grant to cover this project, as it is time sensitive. Allocations of funds can be reconfigured if we decide to fund other environmental projects. 	<p>Communication with Bob Carson, re: District Grant</p>	<p>Mike M.</p>
	<p>3. Update on Rotary 50/50 Lottery</p>	<p>We have been approved by the program. Our 3 charities are: Community Living, BP Hospice, BPHF. IT is almost ready to go. Mike M. walked us through how to make a donation on the online platform. Pamphlet and business card for sharing with others to promote making of</p>	<p>Continue to monitor site development.</p>	<p>Mike M.</p>

		donations to these partners. Not ready to roll it out yet, waiting to see some tweaks.		
	4. Report on Zimbabwe Food Shortage	<p>Forecast that Zimbabwe will run out of food by end of February. Result of 3 years of drought, lack of education on sustainable farming practices, and having 1 crop (corn), that really depletes the soil. Trevor researched organizations that are already on the ground and up and running:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - REDO. A church based group. They have set up with the Canadian government a \$150 donation, food for 6 months. Partnering with Canadian Government, they multiply by 4. - Global Giving: They will funnel your money to various activities that are ongoing. 1. Building a community school. They are trying to raise \$200,000. They are at \$103,000. - Donna has contact who does community development in Africa, will check with. 	<p>Continue to research organizations.</p> <p>Follow up with personal contact re: reputable organizations on the ground in Zimbabwe.</p>	<p>Trevor H.</p> <p>Donna</p>
VII.	NEW BUSINESS			
	1. Community Skating Sponsorship	- Rotary is sponsoring a day of skating \$199.	Club member to man table at Arena on March 16 th .	Kathy C.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Publicity is going out. We would be welcome to put a sign/table out. - Monday, March 16th from 12-2. (Monday of March break.) 		
	2. Community Living Request re: Draw	<p>CL is doing their own fundraiser. They asked if we might be interested in taking it on like a hospital dream lottery, but suggested we may find other ways to help them sell tickets, to see if we could let them set up a table and sell tickets at Maple Magic. They have been told they can do this on both weekends. March 1st, draw June 30th.</p> <p>They will have between 4-5000.</p> <p>Prizes: \$4000 travel voucher, 2nd apple iPad, 3rd, Apple earbuds.</p> <p>Set up: between General Store and Dining Room.</p> <p>Christie is willing to come and talk to us about Community Living.</p> <p>Red Hawk Construction has donated \$500 so we can invite Community Living and Salvation Army Clients.</p> <p>Time to ask Community Living to come speak with our club again.</p>	<p>Communication of opportunity with Community Living and Salvation Army</p> <p>Invite Community Living to speak to our club.</p>	<p>Mike M.</p> <p>Unspecified.</p>
	3. Communication: Emailing of Financial Statements as	<p>Thurs. Night: We are now having a business meeting on agenda.</p>	<p>Upload financials to Members Corner and send notification and link</p>	<p>Donna S.</p>

	become available. Emailing of Meeting Minutes when approved.	We will start sending links to website for uploaded documents. We will upload financials immediately when Treasurer makes available to the Executive. Will inform the membership. Will upload Minutes and Reports when they have been approved by Executive.	to Rotary Members, as they become available, going forward. Send links to page on Members Corner when approved Meeting Minutes and Reports have been uploaded, going forward.	Donna S.
	4. Filling the Director of Administration Role	Will leave vacant for now.		
	5. Discussion of Inclusion of Sergeant at Arms as Director	Discussion - Has not been the tradition, and will not proceed with this suggestions.		
	6. Club Strategic Plan	Lengthy discussion. There was no consensus about value of strategic planning process or agreed upon next steps.		

V.	PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS	Complete	Ongoing	Notes	Member
	Amendment and upload of Dec. Minutes and reports.	Completed.			Donna S.
	Followup re: Avoidable Blindness Cheque	Completed.		.	Gay R.
	Followup re: District Insurance Policy	Completed.			Gay R.

	Obtain quotations for changes to policy	Completed.			Scott E.
	Clarify the procedure to make a donation, obtain a tax receipt, and have monies directed to Wiarion Club		Not addressed. Move to March.		Unspecified.
	Followup with Community Development Committee re: Literacy Club, Foodbank, and Protein of the Month proposal		Not addressed. Move to March.		Mike M
	Announcement to club of committee approach if interest in pursuing either 5K Run or Bingo	Completed.			Mike Mc.
	Status of Toastmasters Followup Up with JV		Not addressed. Move to March.		Member Assigned on Leave
	Provide web address to club for Australian Bushfire Donations to Gay to post on FB		Not addressed. Move to March.		Mike Mc.
	Get information on Rotary activities to support Zimbabwe food shortage	Completed.			Trevor H.

VII.	NEXT MEETING DATE	6:00 PM – Monday, March 9 th LOCATION: Undetermined.		
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