

**BOARD MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB
OF THE NORTH FORK VALLEY
AND
ROTARY CLUB OF THE NFV FOUNDATION**

**MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2020
1:00 PM MEETING**

Directors Present:

Pam Bliss – Co-President
Sarah Bishop – Treasurer
Bain Weinberger – Secretary
Ulli Lange – Foundation Chair
Ed Bliss – Membership Chair/President Elect
James Schott

Directors Absent:

Randy Campbell – Co-President
Susie Coombe – Former President/Service
Chair

President Bliss presided

A quorum was present.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 social distancing requirements, the meeting was held via Zoom video conference.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved unanimously

REPORTS

TREASURER Sarah

- Club income is \$2,225.30, total expense is \$3,343.59 so in the black for the current year.
- On the balance sheet, Total Liabilities & Equity is \$3,858.17.
- **Treasurer's Report Accepted Unanimously**

SECRETARY Bain

- Nothing to report

MEMBERSHIP Pam (for Ed)

- Pam in touch with Susan Capps. Thinks she will become a member eventually.
- Josh Langille-Hoppe seems to be interested, but unclear if he will join.
- Bob McHugh will likely transfer membership from Montrose. James will sponsor.
- Randy out today so no update regarding Bronwen Barry's membership.

SERVICE Susie

- Fall Highway Clean-up went well.
- Dictionaries:
 - Delivered to Hotchkiss Elementary on Monday, outside in the grass.
 - Ed dropped off 14 dictionaries in Crawford today.

- Doing Paonia Elementary and North Fork School of Integrated Studies tomorrow.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Any luck in finding a PR Chair?
No.
- Any luck in finding a Newsletter editor?
No.
- How to get better attendance at Zoom Meetings?
 - Seems to be a major lack of enthusiasm right now. Not a lot of involvement from the members.
 - Might help for program sponsors to send a note to the club membership promoting the week's program and encouraging attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) Student. Question as to how beneficial participation in RYE would be with so many restrictions in place due to COVID-19. Board agreed this is not the year to sponsor a student. Revisit for next year.
- Kids' Pasta Project Lasagna Delivery Dinner next Monday, November 23rd.
 - Will bring it up again at the meeting tomorrow.
- Discuss this week's Rotary Meeting - no speaker - a Foundation Info Meeting?
 - Will show YouTube videos Pam has identified regarding Rotary Foundation.

ADJOURN CLUB AND CONVENE FOUNDATION
Approved unanimously

APPROVE MINUTES

Unanimously approved.

REPORTS

TREASURER Sarah

- \$16,500 in the bank account, which does not include the \$3,400 being held for North Fork Senior Connections.
- Only \$580 has been collected in income this year. This is all that has been collected toward next year's scholarships
- Board should consider how far into current savings does the Foundation want to dip to pay for scholarships for the coming year.
- Suggested to increase scholarships to \$3000 per person due to the rising cost of higher education, with one scholarship each for Hotchkiss and Paonia. James will take the proposal back to the Scholarship Committee for consideration.
 - **MOTION: Commit to a minimum of \$6000 for scholarships - unanimously approved**
- **Treasurer's Report Approved Unanimously**

OLD BUSINESS

- Fundraising Ideas - has a committee been formed?
 - Not so much.

NEW BUSINESS

- Judy Beggs - should we make a donation to Friends of Gueoul in her name?
 - Club has already done a lot for Friends of Gueoul. No need to do more.

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NEXT MEETING ON Wednesday, December 16th, 1:00 pm (VIA ZOOM)

Unanimously approved.