



ROTARY CLUB
OF
SPACE CENTER
"Service Above Self"



Minutes of the Board of Directors

May 16, 2006

Members in attendance:

Geoff Atwater, Pam Culpepper, Jerold DeWease, JB Fox, Dick Gregg III; Vissett Sun, Bill Taylor, Gary Johnson, Dick Kidder, Scott Rainey, , Johnny White, Art Wood

Members absent:

Tony Bloomfield, Mike Hernandez, Joan Skellenger

Visitor:

Billy Smith, Peter Wuenchel

President JB Fox called the meeting to order after Dick Gregg III confirmed a quorum was present.

Secretary's Report

Minutes of last meeting were approved as edited.

Treasurer's report

No report. Geoff Atwater reported it is too early to have an accounting for the Boots & Black Tie event. The board reviewed handouts of the balance sheet, profit and loss statements for both Administrative and Service Accounts, Customer balance sheets, Account Quick Reports, Administrative and Service Sending reports. JB Fox mentioned that the Administrative account is in the red with respect to dues and food. The Admin account shows a surplus of money. Explaining the report was very difficult without the presence of the treasurer. There was a brief discussion over an external audit versus an internal audit and a majority of the board was of the opinion that an internal annual audit was sufficient and an external audit was too expensive and added little value.

Resignations

None

Membership

No new members.

Upcoming Events:

Suzi's Inauguration – June 3, 2006 at 6:30pm, Space Center Houston

Special Board Meeting – May 21, 2006 in the evening (time TBD) at Brentwood to discuss officer and director expectations for the upcoming Rotary Year
Installation of Officers and Directors - June 26, 2006, regular SCR noon meeting

Director Reports:

Club Service A (Bill Taylor)– no report

Club Service B (Scott Rainey) – no report

Club Service C (Tony Bloomfield) – no report

Club Service D (Johnny White) – no report

Community Service A (Gary Johnson) – No report

Community Service B (Pam Culpepper) – Suzi's inauguration is scheduled for 6/3/06 at 6:30 at Space Center Houston. Scott Rainey announced that 2 scholarships were awarded by Space Center Rotary at Clear Lake High School. Pam was unaware but will give a report on it next meeting.

International Service A (Jerrold DeWease) – Jerrold announced that Matt Tiddle will head the Ambassadorial scholarships and he is excited about the renewed interest with his contacts made in that area. Jerrold also reported David Coney will be the new chair of the Rotary Foundation committee and he will work to achieve and emphasis on the club and the district. Our own foundation has \$150,000.00 and Billy Ray is at meeting to answer any questions about the pavilion. He reported that the club made the \$5,000.00 payment to the YMCA, so the balance of the debt is \$15,000.00 from the original \$25,000.00 commitment.

International Service B (Dick Kidder) – Dick K. reported that with respect to World Health they are making arrangements for a girl from Monterrey to see Dr. Fustok and it is unclear at this point whether there will be problems with her obtaining a visa. He reported they have tried to work with the Monterrey Rotary club, but were not successful with their help and have been working independent of them.

Vocational Service (Art Wood) – Art reported that we had a successful teacher of the year program. Art further reported that the excellence in public service will be an annual rotation every three years awarding Law Enforcement in year 1, followed by Fire in year 2, Followed by Public Health in year 3, and then the cycle will repeat. The excellence in law enforcement has a unique issue where the entire Kemah police department was nominated for its role in the Rita evacuation. Since the program has traditionally been set up for individual nominations the committee may create another type award or some other type of special recognition for a department. The Excellence in Law Enforcement award will be presented at the regular luncheon on June 12, 2006.

New Business

Pam Culpepper reported Suzi's installation is progressing. She said Marilyn Musial is excellent at handling the monies. There was a table set up at district assembly. Scott

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Rainey is in charge of the meet and greet. Event begins at 6:30. It should make things quite interesting because SCH does not close until 6P.M. Pam stressed the importance of being at SCH at 6pm. Pam wanted ideas for the song and a couple were suggested. Scott Rainey verified that from the board, Art, Johnny, Vissett, Gary, and JB will be available to greet. A comment was made as to how smoothly registration worked at District Assembly. The board decided pre-printed name tags would be best for the inauguration because it frees up the board to greet.

JB Fox wanted to pay an additional \$10,000.00 to the YMCA reducing the total debt to \$5,000.00 from the \$25,000.00 commitment. There was a discussion over how much monies we had left. Jerrold DeWease made the motion to spend an additional \$10,000.00 to the Foundation who in turn will pay the YMCA, seconded by Art Wood, and passed by majority vote.

Scott Rainey made a comment that we should give consideration about earmarking some service monies to help obtain 100% Paul Harris next year, which is a club goal.

JB discussed the Guerrero project, which is a clinic that the Brazosport Club built up and he wants to support also. It was on the original budget but not funded. After some discussion it was decided to defer this decision until next meeting when we have a better understand of where we stand financially.

JB further discussed the Meador Library and whether we should fund it \$1200.00. The board remembered this was a commitment made by a non-board member and the Board had previously decided not to fund. The Meador Library has the option to present directly to the board if they wish.

Dick Gregg III reported the Boy Scout troop at the boys home was approved last week by the County Attorney's office.

Billy Ray Smith gave brief comments about the pavilion. He stressed the importance of seeing the power point presentation. He said it will be called the "Rotary Centennial Pavillion" and it will be 50' x 50'. They intend to light it internally. He mentioned that there will be three Rotary wheels embedded in the floor, one for rotary international, one for rotary local and one for rotary community, symbolically showing the gears working together. He reported that Chuck Jacobsen and Terry Gentry are heading a Pavillion Task Force to raise the funds within Rotary.

Geoff also reported that a special board meeting at the hotel will take place in the evening on May 21, 2006 (Sunday) for officers and directors to discuss goals and expectations for the upcoming Rotary year.

Motion to adjourn.

The next SCR board meeting will be June 20, 2006.

Respectfully submitted:
Dick Gregg III, Secretary