



ROTARY CLUB
OF
SPACE CENTER
"Service Above Self"



Minutes of the Board of Directors

November 20, 2007

Members in Attendance:

Dick Gregg III, Mike Hernandez, Gary Johnson, Marilyn Musial, Jon McKinnie, Geoff Atwater, Jerrold Dewease, Peter Wuenschel, Mark Humphrey, David Coney, Bill Taylor.

Members Not in Attendance: Dick Kidder, Art Wood, Mike Cornett, Belinda Skloss

Guests: Laura Hale, J.B. Fox, Bob Taggert, Ted Cummings, Kippy Caraway

Call to Order:

President Dick Gregg III called the meeting to order after ascertaining quorum. The minutes to the October 2007 board meeting were read and approved as modified.

Report of the Treasurer-

Treasurer Marilyn Musial presented a month-end report on the 2008 Administrative and Service budgets versus actual expenditures. Although currently showing deficits, the good results from the Shrimpooree will more than take care of projected overruns.

Report of the Secretary

Secretary Gary B. Johnson reported on the "Rule of 85" survey that was completed and submitted to John McKinny for follow up. It was pointed out that even though a member may be eligible for the exemption provided, they must make the request. Most of SCR 85 pointers are good in attendance so there probably is not a benefit to pressing for invocation except in possibly a few cases.

Reinstatements: None

New Members: Kippy Caraway was inducted this month and attended the board meeting.

Leaves of Absence: Laura Godwin was granted a leave of absence to take care of her new born baby Isabella.

Resignations: Betty Hart and Bob Montgomery were terminated from the club for lack of attendance.

Change in status: None

New Business –

1. A proposal was made by Jon McKinnie to donate \$1200 for the Hospital and Maternity Samaria in Rio Do Sol-Santa Catarina- Brazil as part of a matching grant with the Rotary Club of Rio Dul Sul-Centenario-District 4650. There was significant discussion over concerns voiced by Geoff Atwater and Jerrold Dewease relative to being over budget this early in the year. Geoff pointed out that is very important to identify where the funds would be available before a decision is made. The decision was made to take the money from the existing World Health fund and reallocate to the Hospital matching grant, then replenish the fund as needed from excess Shrimporee funds.
2. After some discussion relative to budget concerns, a motion by Geoff Atwater to donate \$500 to the Engineers Without Border for a water project in Uganda, funded by “Other” Service budget, was seconded and approved.
3. A proposal by President Dick Gregg III, relative to Red Badge attendance at general meetings during the two week posting time, was extensively discussed. It was pointed out that our by-laws and current practices are not totally consistent. A decision was tabled until an assessment of the West University, Sugarland, and Humble clubs has been completed by Bill Taylor.
4. The renewal of the contract for meetings at Bay Oaks was discussed. There is significant concern over being placed in the grill room for meetings. Mike Hernandez requested a copy of the contract for review prior to a decision being made. Secretary Gary Johnson noted that he had informally requested cost data from the Endeavor Marina facilities. No action was taken.
5. Jon McKinnie reported on missing members and new member pipeline status. There are several members with serious attendance problems which require final resolution. There are two new members pending final processing.
6. Laura Godwin’s maternity leave was approved.

Announcements-

None

Director Reports

None

The next SCR board meeting will be December 18, 2007.

Respectfully submitted:
Gary B. Johnson
Secretary