



**ROTARY CLUB**  
OF  
**SPACE CENTER**  
"Service Above Self"



***Minutes of the Board of Directors***

***December 13, 2005***

**Members in attendance:**

Geoff Atwater, Pam Culpepper, Jerold DeWease, JB Fox, Mike Hernandez, Dick Kidder, Scott Rainey, Vissett Sun, Bill Taylor

**Members absent:**

Tony Bloomfield, Dick Gregg III, Joan Skellenger, Scott Smith, Johnny White, Art Wood

President JB Fox called the meeting to order after ascertaining quorum. Several board members expressed concern over the non-attendance of officers at board meetings, as this may be an indicator of future presidential behavior. They felt that officers should attend board meetings or provide notice when a meeting cannot be attended. Any officer or director who cannot attend a board meeting should notify the president as a matter of courtesy.

**Treasurer's report**

Mike Hernandez presented a comprehensive Treasurer's report presenting a balance sheet as of June 30 and also one updated with available information through December 11. The most recent statement shows that SCR has \$27K in cash on hand –not counting proceeds from the Shrimporee. The board supported the idea of spending this money once the full accounting for the Shrimporee becomes available. Mike also presented expenditure reports for the Administrative and Service accounts showing year-to-date expenditures by committee. Finally, Mike presented the list of 34 members with outstanding dues, some of whom owed only the half-year portion with most owing for the entire year. There was discussion as to whether or not these members had been contacted about paying their dues. Mike agreed to mail out a dues statement to each member on the list.

**2006 Budget Recommendation**

Review of the budget indicates that SCR may have more money to spend than what has been budgeted. JB presented a list of possible additional projects that included:

- Restarting the Boy Scout troop at the Youth Village
- Support to the La Porte Boy Scout troop and a Girl Scout troop
- Support to CLHS Project Graduation (Scott Rainey's suggestion)

- Support to a small international project
- Additional support to the water projects in Bolivia
- Paying the YMCA capital commitment early

JB also mentioned that Geoff Atwater has been in contact with Rotary clubs in Gulfport, MS, and Slidell, LA, concerning partnering on Katrina projects. Geoff explained that one possibility would be to sponsor the rebuilding of playgrounds at schools and in parks where SCR could provide funds and participate in the reconstruction. SCR could also serve as a conduit for other District 5890 clubs to participate in Katrina projects.

### **Membership report**

President JB noted the following people had been proposed for membership, although neither of the sponsors were in attendance:

- Phil Sandlin, proposed by Mike Cornett
- Steve Hartstein, proposed by Gene Tromblee

After discussion, Vissett Sun moved they be proposed to the membership; Bill Taylor seconded and the board approved by voice vote.

### **2006 Board Restructure Recommendation**

Geoff Atwater deferred discussion of recommended changes to the By Laws to the January meeting.

### **Director Reports**

As a result of the elections held on December 5, Dick Kidder was re-elected as director; Mike Cornett and Mark Humphrey were elected as new directors to take office in July. (Gary Johnson was elected as Sgt-at-Arms.) Art Wood and Johnny White were not re-elected, however their current terms continue through June.

### **Presidential Comments**

JB announced that Dennis Dillon will be stepping down as head of the SCR Endowment Foundation board and his successor has not yet been identified. Also, Tony Bloomfield will be co-chairing the VIP fundraiser supported by Geoff.

Motion to adjourn.

The next SCR board meeting will be January 17, 2006.

Respectfully submitted:  
Geoff Atwater, President-Elect for  
Dick Gregg III, Secretary