



ROTARY CLUB
OF
SPACE CENTER
"Service Above Self"



Minutes of the Board of Directors

January 16, 2006

Members in attendance:

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

Members absent:

Joan Skellenger, Scott Smith

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

Secretary's Report

Minutes of last meeting were approved as edited.

Treasurer's report

Mike Hernandez presented a comprehensive Treasurer's report showing \$62,191.20 as total assets, \$4,860.00 due to the club in outstanding dues, \$15,587.23 as administrative expenses to date, and \$11,114.43 as service expenses to date in this fiscal year. The shrimporee brought in just short of \$56,000.00 according to the last estimates. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Resignations

Greg Litts submitted his resignation. JB Fox removed Laura Hale from active status by mutual agreement. A motion was made by JB Fox to accept both resignations and further to make Laura Hale an honorary member. The motion was seconded by Dick Kidder and the motion passed unanimously.

Membership

Tony Bloomfield reported 3-4 new members would be proposed in February. Plus, Nick Lampson is considering joining our club. There was a discussion to clarify who needs to pay the \$5.00 meeting fees. The board came to the consensus that all attendees at the Monday lunch meetings, members and guests, are expected to

either pay \$12.00 for the meal or \$5.00 for the meeting fee, which entitles them to a beverage and a dessert. Tony Bloomfield will add a reminder to the Blastoff.

Upcoming Events:

Club Assembly – January 30, 2006

All District club Assembly – February 2, 2006 (Westchase Marriott)

Project Graduation – February 6, 2006

Rotary night at Rodeo – March 1, 2006

RNASA 20 year anniversary – March 24, 2006

Old Business

Geoff Atwater reported his recommended changes to the bylaws by adding a few sections from the model RI bylaws and renumbering our bylaws to account for these new sections. The bylaws will need to be approved by the membership. A motion to accept the changes was made by Geoff Atwater. Seconded by Dick Gregg, III. Vote passed unanimously.

There was a discussion regarding 6 people who were previously contacted regarding non-attendance at meetings.

There was a discussion about the semi-annual report. Dick Gregg III is to print the invoice and sent to Mike Hernandez for payment.

2006 Recommended projects that were discussed:

The board discussed the support of possible additional projects that included:

- Restarting the Boy Scout troop at the Youth Village (JB reported he had not heard back from Mark Montgomery yet)
- Support to the La Porte Boy Scout troop and a Girl Scout troop
- Support to CCISD Project Graduation (Scott Rainey reported the project is to take place on February 6, 2006)

Katrina Relief package

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. After some discussion it was decided that these projects would be tabled until questions about their school district's insurance could be answered.

JB Fox told to the board that he wanted Rotary to sponsor \$1,000.00 to the galleria club to aid Evaling, who instructs the blind in Nicaragua. JB Fox and either director Pam Culpepper or Dick Kidder will discuss where the monies will be appropriated from the existing budgeted monies.

Tony Bloomfield presented to the club \$1000.00 as the remaining proceeds from the golf tournament and made suggestions that \$500.00 of the \$1000.00 go to the three high school graduation projects and \$500.00 to the Katrina Relief package. The board decided it was important for Tony to present a check to the President at a meeting to let the members know about these additional monies.

Bill Taylor reported that the Rotary Christmas party was a huge success and even raised \$550.00 more than expected, which monies were then used to purchase gift certificates to donate to the Bay Area Turning Point.

Motion to adjourn.

The next SCR board meeting will be February 21, 2006.

Respectfully submitted:
Dick Gregg III, Secretary