



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



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

***January 15, 2008***

**Members in Attendance:**

Dick Gregg III, Mike Hernandez, Jon McKinnie, Geoff Atwater, Jerrold Dewease, Belinda Skloss, Dick Kidder, David Coney, Bill Taylor

**Members Not in Attendance:** Gary Johnson, Marilyn Musial, Mike Cornett, Peter Wuenschel, Art Wood, Mark Humphrey

**Guests:** Space Center Foundation board members (Bob Wren, Billy Smith, Ken Gurry, plus several others.

President Dick Gregg III called the meeting to order after ascertaining quorum. The minutes to the Dec 18, 2007 board meeting were read and approved as submitted.

**Report of the Treasurer-**

Treasurer report for July – December 2007, was presented by Geoff Atwater, in Marilyn Musial's absence. Discussion was held on status of club accounting. Mike Hernandez requested the cost and availability of outside accounting service.

**Report of the Secretary**

No report - Secretary Gary B. Johnson was absent.

**Reinstatements:** None

**New Members:**

Ken Bearce – Proposal presented by Vissett Sun. After discussion, motion to approve (Bill Taylor), 2<sup>nd</sup> (Belinda Skloss) Unanimous approval.

Dennis Paul – Proposal presented by Art Oswald. After discussion, motion to approve (Bill Taylor), 2<sup>nd</sup> (Belinda Skloss) Unanimous approval

## **New Business –**

### Space Center Endowment Foundation Project: Fallen Astronauts Memorial

Bob Wren gave an overview of a project that the endowment foundation committee has approved, a memorial for fallen astronauts to be built at the entrance to Johnson Space Center. Bob stated that Ken Gurry and Chuck Jacobson would chair the project.

Bob asked the Space Center Board to consider the project for approval and approving \$50,000 in seed money funding by the foundation, which funds are available. Bob also asked for an additional \$50,000 commitment from the Space Center Rotary Club.

Ken Gurry gave a detail report on the design of the memorial, distributing an artist rendition of the memorial. The site will be behind the jets on NASA Parkway at the entrance to Johnson Space Center. Space Center Houston already supports the project. The estimated cost \$300-500,000; funds will be raised through corporate donations. Ken felt like raising the funds would be successful, but that no funds will be spent on construction until the entire amount is raised.

After lengthy discussions, Jon McKinnie made the motion to “Approve the Fallen Astronauts Memorial project and commitment of \$50,000 from the available foundation funds. But not commit any additional funding by the Space Center Rotary Club at this time.” 2<sup>nd</sup> David Coney. Unanimous approval.

### Floyd Boze 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

There was discussion on Floyd’s 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, and decision was made to celebrate Floyd’s birthday at the club’s Feb 4 meeting. Laura Hale will chair the event, and will request a birthday cake from Bay Oaks CC. Cost will be covered by the President’s discretionary budget.

### Springoree

Mike Hernandez pointed out that the club still does not have a chairperson for the Springoree and time is getting short. The event comes under Mike Cornett directorship.

### Shrimporee

Mike Hernandez presented a detailed financial report on the Shrimporee event. The event was very successful, resulting in \$123,793 income (including \$97,993 cash) and \$67,220 net profit. Great job to everyone on the Shrimporee committee.

### Board Elections

2008-09 Board elections were held during the Jan 14 club meeting. Results are as follows:

President	Mike Hernandez
President Elect	Gary Johnson

Secretary	Marilyn Musial
Treasurer	Jon McKinnie
Sgt-at-Arms	John Wilson
Director 3 yr	Rae Decastro
Director 3 yr	John Nugent
Director 3 yr	Bill Geissler

### **Announcements**

None

### **Director Reports -None**

The next SCR board meeting will be February 19, 2008.

Minutes prepared by Jon McKinnie and respectfully submitted by:

Gary B. Johnson  
Secretary