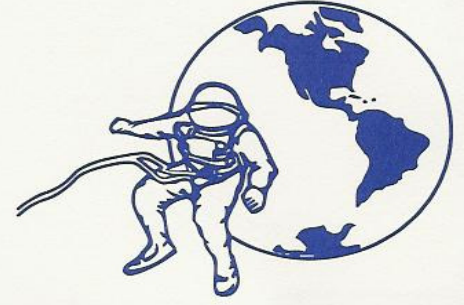


ROTARY CLUB
OF
SPACE CENTER
"Service Above Self"



Minutes of the Board of Directors

March 21, 2006

Members in attendance:

Geoff Atwater, Pam Culpepper, Jerold DeWease, JB Fox, Mike Hernandez, Scott Rainey, Vissett Sun, Tony Bloomfield; Dick Gregg III; Johnny White, Joan Skellenger, Gary Johnson

Members absent:

Bill Taylor, Art Wood, Dick Kidder

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

On balance sheet, there is over \$53,000 in the Shrimporee account; Mike Hernandez has not received the updates on the investments. Treasurer discussed a potential shortfall in the administration budget because of lack of dues collection. Mike Hernandez had a list of those who have not paid, which he gave to Secretary. He mentioned that we have received \$22,400 of the budgeted amount of \$26,800. There was a brief discussion concerning bulletin advertising and the monies derived from it. Under the service budget, the reactivation of the Blaine Grant was discussed. Mike Hernandez also reported that the \$3000.00 for project graduation came from interact (\$1000) and youth activities (\$2000). It was further discussed that \$1,600 was spent on Nicaragua Blind. There was a lengthy discussion about how much was in surplus for the service account, and to reconcile, JB, Mike and Geoff agreed to meet to discuss the amounts. Jerrold Dewease made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Johnny White, and it unanimously passed.

Resignations

None

Membership

Tony Bloomfield reported 3 new members:

1. Ray Smiley – Police Chief in Webster, Texas, proposed by Carlos Villagomez.

2. Rebecca Reitz – Attorney – proposed by Mary Alice Cherry
3. Robert Handy – Financial Services – proposed by Matt Tiddle.

After a motion and second to approve both as members, they were approved unanimously. JB was to send a reminder e-mail to club to ask people, when introducing others, not to say they are prospective new members, because it is inappropriate.

Upcoming Events:

VIP Dinner – May 5, 2006 at 7:00pm at Marker 1
Suzi's Inauguration – June 3, 2006 at 6:30pm, Space Center Houston

Director Reports:

Club Service A (Bill Taylor)– no report

Club Service B (Scott Rainey) – no report

Club Service C (Tony Bloomfield) – Tony Bloomfield reported there were 5 people to go through orientation. He mentioned that we needed to help support the watch raffle.

Club Service D (Johnny White) – no report

Community Service A (Gary Johnson) – Gary Johnson wanted clarification on getting Rotaract started. Historically, Roteract has been connected to universities, but needs the support of business. He will try to get a committee together to marry the two.

Community Service B (Pam Culpepper) – Blaine grant has been revived. Jennifer Keller is spearheading. Steve Waldner is heading the senior committee – meeting on 4/10/06; Suzi's inauguration is scheduled for 6/3/06 at 6:30 at Space Center Houston. They are planning for 275 people. Tickets are \$50 each. Officers and Directors need to take an active role in this unique event. To find out information about the event, contact Pam Culpepper. Scott Rainey is to assign directors and officers to do certain parts of the event.

Vocational Service (Art Wood) – no report

International Service A (Jerrold DeWeese) – Jerrold DeWeese reported they have a candidate for the ambassadorial scholarship and that perhaps they will get several candidates next year by going through UHCL. The present nominee has been chosen by the board as an Alternate.

International Service B (Dick Kidder) – no report.

New Business

Geoff Atwater requested directors give their preferences for job assignments next year. He further reported that with the Boots & Black Tie event, he was gathering auction items,

selling tickets and getting sponsors and he thanked the board for its participation. There was a discussion on the number of Shrimporee sponsors and table upgrades.

On Saturday the GSE team met. District Assembly is scheduled for 5/13/06 and we need to support.

Geoff reported that Jeff Tallis with the ADG grants has approved the \$8,000 Katrina Grant, which was the largest grant by district ever. Due to paperwork not being completed in George Yeiter's year, receiving the grant is delayed, and Geoff was asking the club to advance the monies with the understanding the grant money would be coming. The monies will be used to rebuild a playground in Gulfport, Miss. Geoff is to present the check to the rotary club in Miss. Geoff Atwater made a motion to donate \$16,000.00 to this project (\$8,000.00 from prior year and \$8,000.00 advanced by club to be reimbursed when the grant is received from district), seconded by Scott Rainey, and it unanimously passed. It was discussed that pictures should be gathered to show what we have done (before and after pictures). Geoff Atwater will present the check on April 6, 2006 on behalf of our club.

JB Fox recommended the club purchase for our weekly programs a new lapel microphone system plus two wireless microphones (one designed for podium and other for the Sgt. At Arms to aid in questions from the audience) in the amount of \$300.00 from administrative capital improvement line item. Johnny White made the motion to purchase, seconded by Gary Johnson, and it passed unanimously.

JB gave an update on SCR Endowment Foundation's role in pavilion. Likewise, JB mentioned a motorcycle raffle by the Foundation as a possible way to achieve money needed for the pavilion. No action was taken.

Motion to adjourn.

The next SCR board meeting will be April 18, 2006.

Respectfully submitted:
Dick Gregg III, Secretary