



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



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

***March 20th, 2006***

Revision 1

**Members in attendance:**

Geoff Atwater, Dick Gregg III, Mike Hernandez, Gary Johnson, JB Fox, Bill Taylor, Scott Rainey, Mark Humphrey, Jerold DeWease, Art Wood.

**Members absent:**

Rafael Lugo, Mike Cornett, Tony Bloomfield, Pam Culpepper and Dick Kidder.

**Visitors:**

Pat Doughty and David Coney

**Secretary's Report**

A draft copy of the February Board meeting minutes were provided to the President and available for review by the Board members in attendance. Approval of the minutes was postponed to the April Board meeting, after the Board can review them.

**Treasurer's report**

Profit and loss statements dated March 19, 2007 were presented and approved by the Board. The Treasurer also noted that a Thank you note was received from Courtney Bloomfield thanking the Club for her recent scholarship.

**New Business**

**District Conference**

Geoff Atwater mentioned the importance, for the members attending the District Conference, to send to the Hotel in Puerto Vallarta a copy of their passports in order to avoid additional taxation from the Mexican government.

### **Mass PHF Induction on April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

On April 23<sup>rd</sup> our Club will experience probably the largest ever number of persons inducted as Paul Harris Fellows in one day. There will be over 40 Club members inducted on that day. Geoff Atwater informed that invitations were being sent out to District and Regional officials. Articles are being planned for publication in local papers as well as in the Rotary International Magazine. Jerrold Dewease and David Coney need to be commended for figuring out how to accomplish this feat and then to carry it out. Jerrold stated his appreciation to the members of the Club who, without exception, agreed to donate accumulated Rotary Foundation points to contribute to pay for Paul Harris Fellows. Jerrold also mentioned that the Club will receive the prestigious banner indicating it is a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club. General discussions followed relating to the logistics for the meeting day, table lay out and space needed to accommodate all the persons expected to attend.

### **Blastoff Articles**

Geoff reminded everyone of the need to continue sending articles for publication in the Blastoff.

### **Officers and Directors Comments**

#### **International Service A – Jerrold Dewease SCRC Endowment Foundation**

After the City of Nassau Bay decided to drop off from the Pavilion project, our Club's Foundation entered talks in developing a "green" pavilion (Rotary Centennial Pavilion) with Space Center Houston. A letter of intent from the Foundation has been prepared and will be sent to Richard Allen of Space Center Houston delineating conditions for the project.

The Foundation's portfolio value is \$171,352.84 with savings of \$5,076.76 as of March 12, 2007.

### **Ambassadorial Scholarship**

Our Ambassadorial Scholar candidate for the 2008-2009 period, Roxanne Raddi, a freshman at John Hopkins University, had her board interview on March 10<sup>th</sup> but did not receive a scholarship. Normally it requires two attempts before a person is accepted for a scholarship. Roxanne said she will apply again next year.

### **Paul Harris Fellow Banner**

The format for the banner will be the bust of Paul Harris and the Rotary International emblem with 175 names on each of the two banners required.

### **Membership – Bill Taylor**

The application for Club membership is being revised. Also a spreadsheet was put together to follow the initialization process of new applicants. Different methods to follow the applicants progress through the initialization process were discussed. Also discussed were computerized means of recording attendance to the Club meetings. Jerrold Dewease said we need to strengthen the memorandum of understanding using terms such as “required” instead of “expected.

### **Vocational Services – Art Wood**

The Excellence in Education Committee, headed by Peter Wuenschel, is moving well and has solicited nominees and many have been received. The intent is to select 6 finalist and interview by mid April. Award will be made on May 7th.

The Excellence in Firefighting Committee, now chaired by Phil Sandlin, has developed a plan and is moving ahead now after a slow start. The Committee intends to go out to the area Fire Departments by the first week of April, get nominees by the end of April, and select by mid May. Awards will be made on June 11th.

### **Community services A**

Art Wood reported that Pat Doughty is the new treasurer of the Youth Exchange Activities.

Art also reported that (name) our sponsored exchange student from France is due to arrive in Houston in August this year.

### **Club Service – Mark Humphrey**

#### **Club History**

The Club’s History functions have been transferred to Jerrold Dewease. The material has been received by Jerrold and put into broad categories. Research on how such material can be electronically stored is under way.

### **Programs**

There are programs assigned for all of the remaining club meetings. Will start looking for a chairperson for the Program committee for next year since Bill Lowes, the present chairman will not continue in the position.

### **Treasurer – Gary Johnson**

Looking for a better method of collecting the Club membership dues. Will investigate what is available and what other clubs may be doing in this area.

Mark Humphrey mentioned several ways that it could be done and will coordinate with Gary to meet to discuss the different possibilities

**Upcoming Events:**

**Thursday, March 29, 2007, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.** - Springoree at Butler's Courtyard in League City

**Sunday, April 1, 2007** – Gardening with the Governor (Suzi Howe)

**Friday, April 20, 2007** - RNASA and Awards Ceremony

**April 26-29, 2007** - District 5890 Conference in Puerto Vallarta

**Monday, June 25, 2007** – Installation of officers and directors

Motion was made to adjourn at 8:05 a.m.

The next regular SCRC board meeting will be held on Tuesday April 17, 2007 at 7:00 am at Bay Oaks Country Club.

Respectfully submitted:

Miguel A. Hernandez, Jr.  
Secretary