

ROTARY CLUB OF SPACE CENTER, HOUSTON, TEXAS  
MINUTES  
OF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MAY 2, 1989  
NASSAU BAY HILTON HOTEL

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Billy Weseman, President  
John Watson, President Elect  
Billy Smith, Secretary  
Jack Lister, Treasurer  
Terry Hesson, Sergeant-at-Arms  
Floyd Boze, Past District Governor  
Lonnie Clement, Director  
Eddie Harris, Director  
David King, Director  
Vic Maria, Director  
Owen Morris, Director  
Tom Wier, Director  
Woody Williams, Director

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jim McNatt, Immediate Past President  
David Taylor, Director  
David Owen, Director

**GUESTS:**

David Gochnour, Devin Holum, Al Jowid, Jr., Bob Wren, &  
Michael Nathanson

**1. Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting of April 18, 1989, were approved  
as written.

**2. Terminations and Resignations:**

Terminations: Rocky Forshey for failure to satisfy attendance  
requirements, by missing four consecutive  
meetings without a makeup

Resignations: None

**3. New Member Proposals:**

Steven Nebrig - Computer Training  
Robin Riley \_ Aerospace Engineering/Software Analysis  
John Higgins \_ Hotel Catering & Sales

Eddie Harris reported that for the current Rotary year there have been 39 new members, 9 reinstatements, and 40 terminations/resignations for a net gain in membership of 8.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

Jack Lister reported that 16 members have not paid their dues with 2 of those delinquent for one year. It was suggested that he either call or write them stating that they must pay or have their membership terminated.

5. **Correspondence:**

- a. A note of thanks was received for the flowers sent in memory of Marquita Long.
- b. A letter of thanks was received from Dr. Huey Barnett for the \$3,000.00 additional donation to Bridgeport's Community in Schools program.
- c. Ed Carrette supplied a copy of a newspaper story from Belize on "Gift of Life" patient for which this Club obtained free air transportation.
- d. A letter was received from Carson Stephens, Chairman of the Youth Committee, reporting that over 400 essays have been submitted in the contest.

6. **Committee Reports:**

- a. Terry Hesson reported on the meetings with the Hilton Hotel to discuss the meal revenues and stated that some change in the amount charged is needed, but the amount is still undetermined. Lonnie Clement stated that he had met with David Ditto, Manager, and that the Hotel wants the Club to sell 2 types of tickets, one for the full buffet and another to those not eating. There followed a general discussion of the problem and possible solutions. At Dave King's suggestion, the committee of John Watson, Terry Hesson, and Lonnie Clement will meet with the hotel staff again and report back to the Board at its next meeting.
- b. Billy Weseman stated that \$180,000.00 in pledges to Rotary Foundation's Benefactor Program were obtained at the District Conference in only a few hours.
- c. Billy Weseman reported that Space Center Rotary Club received an "Outstanding Club" award for 1988-89 at the District Conference.
- d. Bill Predemore won the C. D. Tinsley Golf Trophy at the District Conference and will represent District 589 at the International Tournament in Hawaii in October, 1989.
- e. Bob Wren was elected to the District Governor Nomination Committee to choose the District Governor for 1991-92.

- f. Billy Weseman reported that out of the 503 persons attending the District Conference in San Antonio, 40 were from Space Center.
- g. R. I. President Royce Abbey's representative, G. Gordon Ballantine and his wife, Madge, attended this club's regular meeting on May 1, 1989, following a V. I. P. tour of Johnson Space Center. He was escorted by PDG Jim Carrell, Al Ligrani, and Rick Rosenhagen.
- h. Bob Wren reported on the progress of plans to host the District Assembly at South Shore Harbour on May 13, 1989.
- i. Victor Rincon from Aeropuerto Mexico Club visited this club's meeting on May 1, 1989.
- j. Five \$200.00 Paul Harris sustaining memberships were given by Space Center Rotary Club as door prizes at the District Conference. The winners were Martha Fousek of Deer Park, R. H. Lawrenz of Memorial-Spring Branch, Bill Vela of Alvin, Jan Jircik of Willowbrook, and Rick Sullivan of Galleria.
- k. John Watson piloted a plane for Tom Pruitt's Eye Care Team to Mexico recently.

7. **Old Business:**

- a. Bob Wren stated that one more young person is needed for the Hungary Youth Exchange.

8. **New Business:**

- a. Vic Maria reported briefly on a request for funds from Interfaith Caring Ministries to assist in housing needs and will present more detailed information on the request at the next Board meeting.
- b. Vic Maria reported on behalf of the Senior Citizens Committee that used hearing aids can be refurbished and sold the senior citizens for \$55.00 each instead of the average price of \$600.00 each for new ones. The committee will be collecting old hearing aids for this project.

9. **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 a.m.

BILLY R. SMITH, Secretary