

ROTARY CLUB OF SPACE CENTER, HOUSTON, TEXAS  
MINUTES  
OF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
November 7, 1989  
NASSAU BAY HILTON HOTEL

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

John Watson, President  
Billy Smith, President Elect  
Jack Lister, Secretary  
Eddie Harris, Sgt. at Arms  
John Francis, Director  
David King, Director  
David Owen, Director  
Eddie Tarin, Director  
David Taylor, Director

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Terry Hesson, Treasurer  
David Cordell, Director  
Vic Maria, Director  
Owen Morris, Director

**GUESTS:**

David Gochmour, Mark Nebrig, David Kovl-Jain, Bob Wren, Past President

**1. Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting of October 30, 1989, were approved with the exception that the record was amended to indicate that John Francis and David Taylor were present.

**2. New Members:**

Two new members were proposed and approved by the Board as follows:

J. M. (Mac) Balfe - Aerospace Consultant  
Lynette Mason-Hendrick - Dance Instruction

**3. Terminations/Resignations:**

There were no resignations. However, it was suggested that Bill Rittenhouse be granted a "leave of absence." The Secretary agreed to talk with Rittenhouse and determine whether that is his desire.

Active membership as of 11-20-89: 174

4. **Budget Review:** None

5. **Directors Reports:**

Eddie Tarin introduced Ed Richards of the Rotary Info Committee and Dick Vest, senior advisor to the Red Badge Committee who will work with Richards. Richards indicated his desire to streamline the new member process and indicated there may be a problem with lost applications. He indicated that if anyone knows of a proposal for membership not in the proper channel they should get in touch with Ed. A discussion followed about the orientation of new members. Billy Weseman stated his feeling that one-on-one orientations are good but should be expeditious. Dick Veth stated that the proposer should contact the individual candidate member only after the posting to be sure he hasn't been blackballed. Several other questions regarding the data and profile sheets were discussed.

David Owen indicated he feels we still need to do a better job of finding out whether proposed new members want to work and it needs to be carefully explained to them what is expected.

David Owen indicated the response to the 25th anniversary party is too low so far. He also indicated that Bill Lowes needs addresses of original charter members so he can invite them to the party.

John Francis indicated that Mike Hernandez has inquired about setting up an arrangement to be a sister club to the club in Turino, Italy. It was indicated that we should not forget our relationships with Canada and David Taylor reminded the group that we may wish to have a relationship with a club in Hungary. John Francis noted that such relationships are sometimes difficult to maintain and they are successful only by "working in service." A motion was made and approved that we explore the possibility of establishing such a relationship with Turino.

6. **New Business:**

Billy Weseman indicated his feeling that the Board should discuss at a future meeting and set procedures for establishing the nominating committee for nominating new Club officers.

It was requested that the report of the nominating committee be placed in the minutes. The nominating committee has made the following nominations for officers and directors for 1990:

President - Billy Ray Smith  
President Elect - Jack Lister  
Secretary - Jerry Hesson  
Treasurer - Eddie Harris  
Sgt at Arms - Vic Maria  
Directors (three to be selected)  
Bill Austin  
John Francis  
David Gochmour  
Joe Hang  
Don Kyle  
Gerry Smith  
Carson Stephens  
Johnny White  
Woody Williams

7. **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 a.m.