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SPACE CENTER ROTARY CLUB
MINUTES OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 1990

MEMBERS PRESENT:

BILLY SMITH - PRESIDENT
JACK LISTER - PRESIDENT-ELECT
VIC MARIA - SGT AT ARMS
JOHN FRANCIS - DIRECTOR
DAVID GOCHNOUR - DIRECTOR
JOE HANG - DIRECTOR
BILL LOWES - DIRECTOR
JERRY SMITH - DIRECTOR
DAVID TAYLOR - DIRECTOR

MEMBERS ABSENT:

TERRY HESSON - SECRETARY
EDDIE HARRIS - TREASURER
DAVID CORDELL - DIRECTOR
OWEN MORRIS - DIRECTOR
CARSON STEPHENS - DIRECTOR

GUESTS:

MIKE PORTERFIELD
TOM WIER
HALEY WINTERS
BOB WREN

1. Meeting Called to Order at:

7:05 a.m. by President Smith

2. Approval of Minutes:

None

3. Secretary's Report (by Billy Smith):

Attendance for July was 74.12 percent with Space Center being number 39 of 55 clubs. This is lower than our past attendance record which averaged around 80 percent. President Smith indicated that work on attendance will be done under Bill Lowe's leadership.

4. Resignations:

Three resignations were announced by President Smith and were accepted with regrets by the Board. They are:

Kirk Koepsel
Tom McElhinney
Bill Webb

Koepsel and McElhinney resigned because of time constraints and Webb's resignation was based on his residence being changed to a different location.

5. New Member Proposals:

Joseph Marcinkowski was presented for membership. He is proposed by Huey Barnett with classification of Computers-Software Instruction. He was approved.

6. Other Status from the President:

- a. International Conference 1991. President Smith asked Joe Hang to begin working on travel and lodging arrangements for the 1991 International Conference in Mexico City. Hang indicated that Pete Zamora has begun corresponding with the Aeropuerto Club regarding this matter.
- b. Presidential Citation: President Smith indicated that Space Center has been awarded a Presidential Citation for 1989-90 and that we were rated number two in the District just behind the Brazosport Club.

7. Director's Reports:

- a. David Gochnour presented a new form that he is proposing for membership proposal. He asked the board for comments.
- b. It was indicated that plans and goals are still needed from the following committees: Attendance, Environment, Public Relations, Handicap, World Community Service, Community Hunger, and Rotary Foundation.
- c. John Francis indicated that progress is being made on the Blastoff and that Tom Wier has agreed to be guest editor. He said a new member section and feature section has been added. John indicated that the printing will now be done at his facility. He further stated that Ed Geissler has agreed to handle advertising for the Blastoff. It was suggested by Billy Smith that we include more articles on Rotary Information and by David Taylor that we include information regarding the Board's decisions.

8. Unfinished Business:

A discussion was held regarding the recent concerns about our Club as expressed by Jim Hargrove and Don Kirk. President Smith appointed a committee of four Club Service Directors (Lowes, Francis, Gochmour, Cordell) and Chairman of Long Range Planning (Wren) to plan an agenda and to set up an evening meeting with the full Board present to discuss the stated issues and concerns. Bill Lowes agreed to serve as Chairperson of this committee.

David Taylor discussed his Free Enterprise Activity with Eastern Europe and expressed concern about having the resources and quality leadership necessary to bring the program off. He stated the need for 12 more people from our Club to take various assignments. Several alternatives were discussed including:

- a. Making this a Club project rather than a District activity so that our club feels more responsible and provides the necessary resources.
- b. Involving the Community World Service Committee headed by Wayne Young.
- c. Forming a foundation such as RNASA to provide continuity and focus to the project.

David Taylor felt that President Smith should appoint a chairperson to carryout our Club's responsibilities. Several members expressed the view that the Club probably should not take on the project unless a chairman with the same interest and enthusiasm as David Taylor could be found.

9. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.