

**SPACE CENTER ROTARY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
November 15, 2011**

Call to Order:

President Mike Dennard called the meeting to order at 7:00a.m, and a quorum was ascertained.

Attendance:

Mike Dennard, Marilyn Musial, Sheryl Berg, Scott Rainey, Kippy Caraway, Steve Owens, Mike Duckworth, Bob Taggart, Roger Donnelly, John Branch, Darryl Smith, Jerrold DeWease, Billy Smith, Marc Schneider, David Coney, Phil Sandlin, Slade Lewis.

Report of the Secretary:

Secretary Sheryl Berg presented the minutes of the regular October meeting. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Roger Donnelly. Bob Taggart seconded the motion; motion was unanimously approved.

Report of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Scott Rainey gave a report of the club's financial matters. It was noted that Santiago Mendoza was the only member with unpaid dues. Both Scott and Kippy Caraway have communicated with him regarding his status as a member. A question was raised by Scott about which budget line should be selected when guests attend and are comped meals. President Dennard offered to work with Scott to determine this. The Administrative Budget is the preferred budget for selection. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made by Sheryl Berg. Marc Schneider seconded the motion; motion was unanimously approved.

Open Items:

There were no items to discuss.

New Business:

The resignation of Alan Wylie (from his directorship) was announced by President Dennard. A motion was made by Roger Donnelly to accept his resignation. Bob Taggart seconded the motion; the motion was approved, with one "nay" by Scott Rainey. President Dennard said he will consult with Marilyn Musial to determine their replacements. David Coney offered to fill in on an interim basis. Bill Hughes was mentioned as a permanent replacement; Marilyn will discuss this with him.

A motion was made by Scott Rainey to allow the board to forward only one name for nomination of the position of Sergeant at Arms for the upcoming election of officers. The motion was seconded by David Coney; the motion was unanimously approved.

A following motion was made by Scott Rainey to approve the proposed slate of candidates for the upcoming election of officers. The motion was seconded by Mike Duckworth; the motion was unanimously approved.

The issue of our representation on the Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce was discussed. As we are a paid member, the consensus was that we should have a member attend the regular Chamber monthly membership luncheons. Scott Rainey made a motion that Immediate Past President Coney be the SCR representative to the monthly Chamber luncheons. The motion was seconded by Roger Donnelly; the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion of the electronic sign was had. Billy Smith mentioned the sign comes under the Rotary Foundation's budget and authority, and no further action was taken.

Discussion of adding a credit card machine/port for club functions was had. Scott Rainey proposed a wireless system and volunteered investigating this for the club. He will report back his findings.

Discussion of the feasibility/benefits of forming a 501.3.c board within SCR for purposes of fund-raising. Billy Smith reminded the Board that his report had been sent via e-mail 2 months ago. Important in understanding the pros and cons of such a formation is the question, do we need this? His conclusion was that control of the service budget would have to be relinquished. Two boards would have to be formed without the influence of one on the other. His conclusion was that this was not a desirable direction for the SCR Board to pursue. As an aside to this, he also mentioned the Foundation Board has the desire to take on an annual project such as Teacher of the Year. Scott Rainey made a motion to formally request the SCR Endowment Foundation Board to consider adoption of the Teacher of the Year and its associated scholarships as its project. The motion was seconded by David Coney; the motion was unanimously approved. Billy Smith asked to come back to the Board in January to report the Endowment Foundation Board's decision as to adoption of this annual project.

David Coney introduced a project, "My Body, My Soul" that is sponsored by Bay Harbor Methodist Church. He asked whether SCR would be interested in collecting toiletries at regular club meetings for donation to this project. No motions were made concerning this.

Directors' Reports

None of the director's reports required SCR board action.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Sheryl Berg, Club Secretary