

# ROTARY CLUB OF SPACE CENTER

## Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

September 18, 2012

**Call to Order:** 7:03 AM

**Attendance:**

Marilyn Musial, Scott Rainey, John Branch, Bill Hughes, Steve Owens, Darryl Smith, John Swartwout, Dennis Paul. Guest: Jerrold Dewease, Art Oswalt

**Quorum:** Yes

**Secretary's Report:**

The minutes of the August 21, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. No discussion or changes were offered. John Branch made the motion to accept, second by Steve Owens, unanimous approval. Copy attached.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The August financials were presented by Marilyn Musial. She noted that line 9 "Member Contributions" on the P&L was created to account for the prepayment of RI contributions by members made with their dues payments. Darryl Smith made the motion to accept, second by John Swartwout, unanimous approval. Copy attached.

**Open Items:**

**Shrimporee:**

John Branch reported that ticket sales are a little behind last year's pace. Scott Rainey noted there are currently \$30,500.00 in cash sponsors at this time.

**EarlyAct FirstKnight (EAFK) Program:**

Marilyn Musial was pleased to announce that the EAFK presentation at yesterday's meeting created a very good response from the membership. She also noted a need for more volunteers from the club to be involved in the program. We are invited to attend a ceremony at a school in North Shore on Fri. 9/28. This will give our members a chance to see the program in action.

## Honorary Members:

Discussion was had to understand and clarify how the club will manage the honorary member process. It was decided that it will be made clear to all recipients that this is a one year honor, and they will be presented a certificate which shows said one year term, and recognized at a club meeting.

Darryl Smith made a motion to create a club policy to clearly state our intent and rules for honorary membership. This motion was seconded by Steve Owens, and passed with a unanimous vote. Darryl will draft language and forward to Scott Rainey for this policy.

Scott Rainey then made the motion, which was seconded by John Branch to elect the following as honorary members for the club year 2012 – 2013:

Tony Bloomfield

Greg Clariday

Brian Ellis

Abdel Fustok

Bill Howe

Hector Marin

Billy Weseman

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Scott Rainey is to notify and invite the honorees to a meeting and make up the certificates.

## **New Items:**

### Membership Report:

John Swartwout discussed the Ignite process to attract and gain new members. This is a process the DG & AG would like us to use. John will work to implement this in the club.

### Bylaws Amendment:

An amendment to the club bylaws which will make an addition to Article III was offered. See attached copy. This amendment will provide for an orderly replacement of officers who must leave office prior to year end.

Dennis Paul made a motion to accept as presented, seconded by John Branch, passed by unanimous vote. Scott Rainey is to distribute to the club for review and subsequent vote.

Nominating Committee:

The committee will convene soon after the Shrimporee, chaired by Sheryl Berg. The committee will offer a slate of officer and directors for election to be held in December 2012.

October Board meeting date:

Discussion was held to confirm if the board would like to move the October meeting date due to several events during the regularly scheduled week of the meeting. It was agreed to not move the meeting and keep the meeting date of Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>.

Resignation:

It was noted that Geoff Atwater had to resign to getting a new job that will not allow him the time to come to the meetings due to location.

**Other Business:**

No other business was addressed.

**Director's Reports:**

International Service B:

Dennis Paul reported that there is a need to house a Rotary group from Sweden. No action was taken. There will also be a team from Germany coming to the Houston area in March, and they too will have housing needs. He is looking for anyone who might like to host. Marilyn Musial suggested Dennis contact our member Hilmar Zeissig as he has done this in the past. There is also a need to help host our exchange student Martin for the coming weekend. Dennis will check with Dick Meyer and Jack Bacon.

**Next Board Meeting:            October 16, 2012 @ 7:00 AM**

**Adjourned:    8:15 AM**

Scott Rainey

Club Secretary

**Attachments:**

Minutes of the August 32, 2012 meeting

August, 2012 financial documents

Bylaws amendment to Article III