



District 7080 Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 8, 2016 7:00 p.m.

Go To Meeting

Present:

DG Bill Proctor
AG Todd Aitchison
AG John Zinkie
Mike Gauthier
Paul Truex

DGE Kathi Dick
AG Brian Bennett
Lesley Barmania
Bill Mitchell

DGN John Gilvesy
AG Randy Seager
Ed Broeders
Tom Mennill

PDG Will Pugh
AG Venora Spreen
Monica Czorny
Hubert Singh

Guests:

Adrian DeCoo

Regrets: AG Cam Bogren, AG Ingrid Sproxtion, AG Rita Westwood, AG Rudy Habesch, AG Tim Iqbal, AG Sohail Naseer, Howard Pell

Minutes recorded by Tom Mennill Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

DG Bill Proctor welcomed all present to the meeting and outlined the protocol for GoToMeetings.

1. Call to Order

With a quorum present, Bill Proctor called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Bill Mitchell, Seconded by Hubert Singh
Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes of July 21, 2016

Moved by Kathi Dick, Seconded by Lesley Barmania
Motion carried.



3. Council/Committee Updates and Announcements

3.1 Secretariat Report

District Secretary Tom Mennill reported that Certificates of Insurance had been emailed to all Club Presidents in August. All approved District Council meeting minutes have been archived in the Committees area in Clubrunner and are available to all District members.

3.2 Finance Committee Report

a. Club Invoices Update/Financial Statements/Storage

Bill Mitchell, District Treasurer, provided a report on the District's finances and addressed the following:

Three clubs have yet to pay the annual invoices for 2015-2016.

The invoices for the current Rotary year will be sent out by the end of September. No HST will be charged as the items being invoiced for are not "taxable supplies".

The financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016, which were delayed to determine the appropriate accounting for HST, have been prepared.

A storage space to house the District's documents has been rented in Cambridge.

b. Update on HST Declaration

Paul Truex, Chair of the Finance Committee, provided an update on HST registration for the District and clubs.

A survey has been sent to all Club Presidents on HST. Shawn Bausch, a Rotarian who is assisting the District with HST matters, will follow up with clubs based on the result of the survey and make a short presentation at the September 22 Presidents meeting.

c. Foundation Report

Michael Gauthier reported that the District has received the grant money from Rotary International and notice has been sent out to all Club Presidents that have approved grants.

Past year bank accounts will be closed out when the last cheque is received.

The Million Dollar Dinner will be held on May 6, 2017 for all Rotarians who have pledged \$10,000 to Rotary. Planning is well under way.



d. International Projects Report

Lesley Barmania reported that the Committee has arranged for a showcase of several international projects at the Foundation Grant Qualification Training to be held in November. The Committee is asking clubs if there is an international project that they would like to profile at this session.

An International Services Committee meeting was held on August 11 where the committee addressed its objectives and activities for the year. Will Pugh is developing a program on the Government of Canada grant process. Lesley responded to a question on District experience with the Government of Canada grants by stating that only a Mississauga club project has been funded by the Government of Canada grant to date. Other clubs have expressed interest but have not proceeded.

A request has been received from District 7170 for an international sponsor of a drug rehabilitation project in New York State. AGs were asked to determine if any of their clubs are interested.

e. Membership Report

The venue for the Membership Summit on November 19 will be the Holiday Inn in Kitchener near Highway 401. Kathi Dick and Hubert Singh are developing a marketing piece for the summit that will be sent to all Club Presidents. AGs were asked to encourage attendance from their clusters particularly Membership Chairs, Presidents and President Elects.

Hubert and Bill Proctor are developing a membership PowerPoint presentation that can be used by any club.

Hubert Singh, Bill Proctor and District webmaster Darren Sweeney are working on a template for membership for the District website with more information – particularly dedicated to non-Rotarians.

AGs were reminded to take action when membership leads are received from Rotary International.

f. Training Report

Adrian DeCoo reported that the Membership Committee had met earlier in September and that all training dates and sites have been assigned.

Important Training Dates:

Rotary Leadership Institute – November 5 at the Family Centre – Region of Waterloo Family and Children Services in Kitchener (all new members can attend for free)

Membership Summit – November 19 at the Holiday Inn in Kitchener



Foundation Qualification Training – November 26 at the Springfield Golf Club near Guelph.

Adrian reminded that AGs that the Training Committee assists clubs with visioning exercises and that two clubs have visioning sessions scheduled for the fall.

Bill Proctor asked Adrian if the President Elect training dates can be added to the District website.

g. Youth Services

Ed Broeders reported on Youth Services activities in the District.

A debrief of outbound students that returned recently has been done and an overall excellent report on their experiences was received.

Virtually all of the inbound students have arrived in the District and are being settled.

The Youth groups are preparing for the District Conference where they will have a strong presence.

h. Assistant Governors Reports

The Assistant Governors in attendance provided updates on club activities in their clusters.

4. Governors' Updates/Announcements

1. Immediate Past District Governor

Will Pugh reported that he has been totally engaged in his club, Burlington Lakeshore's Rib Fest which was the largest ever.

2. District Governor - Nominee

District Governor – Nominee John Gilvesy reported that he intends to visit as many club activities as he can in the next year.

3. District Governor – Elect

District Governor – Elect Kathi Dick announced that she will be attending the Zone Conference beginning September 25 in Winnipeg. The 2017 District Annual Conference committee has been formed. The conference will be held on September 30, 2017 at the Living Arts Centre in Mississauga. The event will be for one day and conclude with concert.

4.4 District Governor



a. RIPE Visit

District Governor Bill Proctor reported that Rotary International President Elect Ian Risely will be in the District on September 27 for a one day visit as a consequence of a visit to an adjacent District. Burlington Lakeshore and Burlington will host Ian at a City Hall for a flag ceremony and for a dinner that evening.

b. Selection of District Governor-Nominee Designate

Bill advised the Council of the process for the selection of the next District Governor-Nominee Elect. The process will be launched at the September 22 Presidents Meeting, with the selection in early December before PETS 1 training is held. Michael Gauthier will prepare and distribute a draft timetable. The committee will consist of Past District Governors Michael Gauthier and Patsy Marshall, Immediate Past District Governor Will Pugh and two Past Club Presidents appointed by District Governor Bill Proctor.

c. Public Relations Update

Monica Czorny is the new Chair of the Public Relations Committee. Monica is meeting with four or five people for the committee from those who have expressed interest in public relations, as well as those who have worked with Howard Pell on improving the District's social media presence. Monica asked the Council to pass along the names of other Committee candidates who have an interest in public relations.

d. Club Visits Update

Bill has visited 31 clubs as of noon on September 8. A excellent response has been received to his presentation. Bill is compiling a list of great ideas from individual clubs that he has identified during his club visits. The ideas will be included in an upcoming edition of "Billboard".

e. Reminders to Club Presidents

Bill meets with the Board of each club that he visits. Bill reinforces to the Board the need for good communication across the District and explains that in order to achieve good communication it is important to have accurate club executive information in Clubrunner, including the name of the President Elect. Also Club Presidents need to ensure that the club goals have been input into Rotary Club Central. In many cases the goals have been established but have not been input.

Bill asked the AGs to strongly encourage club presidents in their clusters to attend the Presidents meeting on September 22, and if the President cannot attend for another club member to attend in his/her place.

f. Agenda for September 22 Presidents' Meeting



Bill asked for input on the agenda for the upcoming Presidents’ meeting.

g. District Conference Report

180 people have now registered for the Conference. Bill thanked the Organizing Committee for their work thus far.

h. Alumni

Bill referred to alumni as a source of additional members and supporters of Rotary. Alumni are those people who have left Rotary – former exchange students, host families, RYLA attendees, etc. He wants each cluster to have an event to honour people (alumni) who have assisted Rotary as a celebration of 100 years of caring.

Bill also reported that there has been a good response for “Rotarians of Note” to be recognized in the Billboard newsletter and asked for additional names.

5. Other Business

Michael Gauthier was asked if there is any news on the Toronto International Convention in 2018. Mike reported that the Host Organizing Committee is active and will be asking for our help in promoting the Convention. An overall objective of the Convention organizers is to ensure the allocation of duties between the Host Organizing Committee and the RI Organizing group is seamless. The HOC will be asking the District to fund the forgivable loan in the next few months.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved by Hubert Singh. Seconded by Brian Bennett.

Signed

District Governor Bill Proctor: _____

Dated: _____

District Secretary Tom Mennill: _____

Dated: _____

Next District Council Meeting

November 10, 2016 7:00 – 8:30 GoToMeeting