12/20/2024 Vinings Cumberland Rotary Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, December 20, 2024 12 P.M. – 1 P.M.

In Attendance: Shawn Bendig, Brant Campbell, Jolene Northrop, Todd Ash, Betty Smith, Fiona Grandowski, Annie Roberts, Matt Jarrard, Joe Bartenfeld

Meeting called to order by President Shawn Bendig.

Quorum confirmed by Brant, 9 in attendance

Brant requested approval of the minutes from November Board Meeting - Unanimous approval with updates provided by Betty and Jolene.

Budget (Todd)

- Club operating, dues lunch, just over 29k
- Charity account just over 41k
- 5k run for the kids race 77,630k.
 - \$70k is the estimated amount available for distribution to charities

-No application fee (\$300) for Jennifer Humphrey will be charged since she is a returning member, board unanimously approved

-If additional funding is required subsequent to the Race Grant committee, the board will discuss further. Typically we have donated 100K on average in the past. We may need to level set with the club as well that the amount of giving annually.

-Jolene is reviewing/reconciling the sponsorship donations this weekend.

Race Update (Jolene)

- Transition in process to Bill Thornloe

Membership (Joe Bartenfeld)

- Great pipeline of perspective members, we need to work on conversion to members.
- We need to work more aggressively to convert members
- We are 20% away from our 60 total number goal

Foundation (Fiona)

- Every year Every Rotary dollars, there is approximately 5K of donations which are not showing on our reports. Fiona is following up
- We hope to announce a new major donor in January
- A note from Fiona, Major Donor dollars are not matched as they are for Paul Harris. Example; a member could be PH+9, but still need to pay \$3.5k cash to be Major Donor. (next level after PH+9)
- If the PH funding for Neill's PH, approved in last Board meeting, Fiona has not seen it yet.

Local Projects (Betty)

- Betty would like to ask Robin to assist with the Garden this spring
- Agenda updated in December
- Ga laws of life, annie taking the lead
 - Emphasize that members can sign up for the state level which is less of a time commitment
- Jan
 - Hero Career Day, Saturday 25th. Aiming for 12-2pm with Chic-fil-a lunch following the event
- Feb
 - Assisted living for Valentine's day, working on it
- We need to make youth villages and the Golden Eagle yearly events, Delk packing lunches would be a great annual project as well.

International Projects (Brant)

- Paraguay Agua fresca global grant was approved. Brant explained the funding model and Jolene asked if he could provide a document explaining the overview. Brant created a file explaining the process: https://www.viningsrotary.org/resource/1415
- Bolivia \$5k took to Dr. Roser
 - Santa Cruz Club working on Global Grant, Brant will work with the club to see how we can work together for approval.

Ongoing Projects (Shawn)

- Red Badge –Jolene planning to start in January
- Presidents Succession Training Ted Propes will continue to lead these sessions. At present we have not seen any sessions scheduled.
- District Conf 4/24-4/27 Encourage other members to attend.
 - Reminding members that new members will have registration cost covered
- Shawn mentioned Gordon meeting (brant ask about this)
- Club assembly feb 12th, snapshot to mid year. Shawn to send out agenda and we need to fill out our thoughts on our slides.

Annie asked how to send to all members, she will send to Shawn and will send a blast Can we do something for Shirley Sharp? Card and 4 free rotary meeting lunches (anytime in 2025.) moved by President Shawn, seconded and unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned promptly at 1:00 P.M. by President Shawn Bendig