

Eugene Delta Rotary Board meeting November 18 2024;

Call to Order/Roll Call

Attendance;

Carisa Hettich, Gil Achterhof, Roxanne Gillespie, Curtis Diama, Kerry Oliver, Mary Reilly, Gayle Coyle, Joseph Lewis

Absent: Susan Blane, Andrea Voorhees, Kevin Riley

Guest: Greg Clark

1. Meeting called to order by President Carissa at 12:15 pm; a quorum was present
2. President update;
 - last week Thursday, Gil, Roxanne and Carisa met to fill in the gap; and some of the primarily things; Board of director time frame; Gael asked about the terms when someone is appointed to the position/
 - i. this question was answered that the appointed person completes the term of the vacant position.
 - ii. Discussion on the terms of the Board of Directors occurred; and we have two BOD terms expiring and requiring a nominating committee, and elections.
 - Carisa would like a Fundraising chair person; we discussed this and the fundraising chair would be better suited under community service; we put together a short list of the members who could fill in for the committee
 - iii. It was suggested as a subcommittee; D'Arcy, Alicia, Kevin, Curtis, Tony M, John Mielke, Jay Houser, Fred Wittkopf
 - iv. Curtis, discuss as a committee; Curtis says that every member on the BOD are on the fundraising committee;
 - v. Curtis's raffle, every member will be involved, to solicit a donation; this is 100% it will be called the Great Delta Rotary Raffle;
 1. Springfield rotary club is doing this 3-4 times a year;
 2. Curtis would like to ask Beth Sheehan to do the auction committee;
 - a. Roxanne mentioned that new members use to serve on the auction committee for fellowship, friendship development, and to engage new members with the club members.
 - Roses for Valentine's Day; there was a Veneta club that use to sell roses for Valentine's Day; roses would be purchased from either Costco or a local supplier. Rose orders would be promoted at all area Rotary clubs with delivery by Delta Rotarians on Valentine Day; Roxanne will do more research on this to make sure that it is not already being done by another Rotary club, and the possibility of putting this together for 2025 year.
 - Carisa; Christmas wreaths could be available for sale; for next year; 2026
 - Carisa; another idea; the pickleball, and have an effort to join forces with other area clubs; At the monthly president meeting the Eugene downtown contributed \$15k for naming

- rights; and the idea is that the Rotary clubs in the community would raise/donate \$50,000; so now it is \$35,000; Carisa was thinking of doing a boot drive/pass the boot on a local street/road/through fair. Additionally, do donations for a pickleball tournament
- Carisa said the expectation is \$4,000 to \$5,000 per club; Delta and others would place the funds towards buying a court along with the Downtown club. This is considered to be a capital project for United Rotary;
 - Downtown is spearheading this event;
 - Curtis asked to look at business numbers; for the cost of the courts, the construction, who is doing the construction, how will all of this be funded, etc.;
 - Carisa to go back the United club presidents, we are interested but need more information;
- International services chair; - more youth exchange, grants, and friendship exchange; discussion occurred around an International Service Chair;
3. Consent agenda for the 2024 October minutes and Treasurer report;
 - a. Motion made by Kerry to accept reports as presented, second by Mary; Approved as presented.
 4. Action items;
 - Gil has talked with Kevin Riley, and Gil presented that CD are doing better than our checking account. He talked about money markets for when we go below \$15,000.
 - Gil reported that Kevin has two options for us:
 - 7-month CD at 4.0% on a 7-month term
 - 13-month CD at 3.5% on a 13-month term
 - We have \$72K in the money market right now, and our returns would be greater in one of the CD options that Kevin recommends.
 - Discussion occurred
 - Motion by Gil, that we purchase a \$50,000 CD in a 13month term to receive the guarantee rate for 13 months; leaving \$22,000 in the money market at 2.5%. Motion second by Mary
 - Discussion; Gael indicated that she just met with an investment planner, and suggested that we work with a planner; Gil said he is good working with Kevin and prefers to not go around shopping and paying investment fees.
 - Mary stated that she looks towards the experts to advise, and Kevin is one of our banking members, he has our best interest at heart, and that she recommends going with what our expert is advising.
 - Gil said that we are trying to make some interest on the funds and that the 13-month CD will give us some return and protect us if rates decide to decrease in the near future.
 - Joseph asked what are our cash needs, short term and long term; we need to have a plan for long term and what we do. He indicated that he has clients using Flourish Cash, but this is not a CD, and he has clients receiving 4%; is this something we should look at?
 - Roxanne reminded the group; we have a motion on the table; Carisa stated the same thing;
 - Greg Clark our guest asked if he could comment; we all said yes; he said we could split it, with ½ in the short term and ½ in the long term.

- Gil said that the current market we are in, that if we fall below \$15,000 the rate will adjust downward.
- Carisa called for the vote; the motion passed with 7 yes; 1 no

5. Business of the Board

- Curtis said that he would like to champion the event for Harlow; he will work with Gil to get square invoices for those who would like to go;
 - He would like at least 45 folks to attend; the Sheldon Dubliners will be performing;
 - Mary reported that the nominating committee is getting together, and will have nominations for President Elect, President Nominee, Treasurer, Secretary, and for the two board of directors whose terms will be ending. She will get the names to Carisa to publish in the bulletin two weeks before elections. She would like to have elections before January.
 - We annually donate the Dubliners; it has been \$500 for the year;
 - Catering report; Roxanne said that the catering committee has met and shared a spreadsheet with additional caterers; lunch prices were consistent at approximately \$20 per person; Curtis recommended purchasing pizza, bring some cookies, and water; we do need to emphasize that we are a lunch club, and our expectation is to purchase lunch. We do have a minimum guarantee of 30 lunches. As the board we do need to be concerned about this to make sure that we are meeting the minimum guarantee; Roxanne will report next month on MLK catering, and other options.
 - Curtis brought up our programs and mentioned that we have had 22 meetings with 59 % of these meetings are non-profit presentations; 18 percent are Rotary; and only 5 meetings are other type meetings; He would like to see more diversity in our speakers; Mary is on the Programs committee and this has been brought up and discussed.
 - Carisa – RLI institute is being offered in January or February; we should send two members.
 - Roxanne asked if we know who has already attended RLI? Gael said she would help looking at the list; It was recommended that Joseph Lewis consider attending the upcoming RLI.
 - Kerry is volunteering with South Town Rotary at the concession stand for the University of Oregon. He is paid \$20 an hour and has done 3 volleyball games and a concert; you need your food handler permit and an OLCC card;
 - Joseph reported that he looked at the Springfield Club and they have a map on their website that outlines all of their community service projects and he would like something like this for our Rotary club. He would like some help with our website and learn how to maintain it and updated it. Mark Dennett in our club does website design, it was recommended that Joseph reach out to Mark. Cheri Curzon takes pictures for the club, and she could share those for posting on our website for updating.
 - We discussed a mission statement for our committees and committee assignments
 - Kerry presented a membership report; 5 inductions, 1 more to be scheduled, and 5 potential showing interest in our club.
6. No discussion of old business, the meeting was going long and these will be pushed the next meeting.

- Gil made the recommendation to save time, that it would be helpful if BOD could submit a written summary report of their committee's activities before our BOD meetings for all of us to review. The BOD said this could be possible and it is a good idea.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Next Delta Rotary Board meeting December 16 at noon; location The Marquis

Respectfully submitted;
Roxanne R Gillespie
Eugene Delta Rotary Secretary 2024-25