Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka

at the Sequoia Conference Center

BOD Meeting Minutes for April 18, 2023

Meeting called to order by President, Scott Pesch at 5:40 PM.

Attendees: Elan Firpo, Cindy Denbo, Mary Crumley, Marie Liscom, Bill Gillespie, Peter Fuller, Michael Davies-Hughes, and Scott Pesch

Not Present: Liz Ennis, Melinda Ciarabellini, Eddie Morgan, Mark McGowan

**Secretary’s report Mary Crumley**

* A motion was made by Michael Davies-Hughes and seconded by Bill Gillespie to approve the minutes of the March 14th Board Meeting with the amendment of removing Peter Fuller who was listed as a member of the lunch cashier team and replacing his name with Jamie Anderson. Passed 100%
* Mary Crumley mentioned that she has created a repository in Dacdb for board minutes. Scott will send her the minutes from the beginning of his year.

**Treasurer’s Report: by Marie Liscom**

* Financials were discussed and approved. Motion to approve by Elan Firpo and seconded by Larry Goldberg. Passed 100%
* Lunch punch cards are making the lunch payment process easier.
* Members paying with one check when invoiced for fees to the foundation and general ledger create addition work for the treasure. Suggested to ask members to pay such invoices with two checks do differentiate the two accounts.
* Zero change for Lyme Tap from last month.

**President’s Report:**

* A committee is needed to help change Bylaws. Haider Ajina, Scott Pesch, Michael Davie-Hughes, Peter Fuller, Bill Gillespie, and Mary Crumley volunteered to be on this committee.
* Willy Bowles was approved for Club Membership with text voting on April 11, 2023. Mary Crumley, Melinda Ciarabellini, Elan Firpo, Marie Liscom, Liz Ennis, Larry Goldberg, Peter Fuller and Michael Davies-Hughes.
* Hikshari Trail Project Update. The three benches are currently curing.
* Martinis By the Bay – Elan Firpo scheduled the first committee meeting via Zoom for Monday April 24th @ 5:30PM. The event date is set for June 22. Cindy reviewed the media calendar timeline that is quickly approaching. Scott will get the ABC license.
* Onyx Playground plaque is ready for Scott to install at the Onyx house.
* Global Grant proposal by Salvador Rico. Scott Pesch made a motion that we contribute $500 to the district international project of rebuilding a coral reef in the Sea of Cortez by sinking a boat. Elan Firpo seconded the motion. 100% Approved.
* Scott expressed the urgency of finding a treasurer and team of two additional people before the next Rotary year begins. Treasure would reconcile the bank statements and oversee 1) lunch clerk 2) Data entry. Scott Pesch volunteered to be on the treasures committee.
* Scott reminded the board of the District Conference at Konocti Resort May 4-7

**Past Presidents Report – Liz Ennis**

* Dictionaries. Liz was absent but Scott reported that he picked up this year’s dictionaries (12 cases). A committee of board members Peter Fuller and Larry Goldberg and Michael Davies-Hughes was created to distribute the dictionaries. They are to contact the other Eureka clubs to determine what schools have already received dictionaries. The plan is to distribute the books at either Alice Birney or Grant elementary schools to the 3rd grade classes.

**President Elect – Elan Firpo**

* Elan gave her report, as chair of the Martinis by the Bay committed during the president’s report.

**Community Service – Michael Davies-Hughes**

1. Michael is setting up another Pac-out event June 3rd on the Hikshari trail. He will work on getting a team of at least 10 people to participate.

**Club Service – Eddie Morgan**

* Not in attendance

**Vocational Service – Melinda Ciarabellini**

* Not in attendance but Marie received a letter letting us know that the nurse’s graduation will be held April 20th Cindy is asking for photos at the event if anyone is able to attend.

**Youth Service Report – Larry Goldberg and Peter Fuller**

* Two upcoming Interact field trips: 1) May 4th at Suemeg Village. This may include an ivy-pull as well. Larry is requesting 3 or 4 club members to help drive the kids to and from the village. 2) May 25th there is a tentative beach cleanup and BBQ.

**Public Image Report – Cindy Denbo**

* Cindy passed around the most recent print ads.
* She is attending a Welcome home event on April 19th in the Arcata square, along with other Rotary clubs to help make our incoming college students feel welcome.

**Foundation Chair and Youth Exchange – Mark McGowan**

* Not in attendance

**Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM**