ROTARY CLUB OF FIG GARDEN

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Regular Meeting: 23 July 2008 --

*Members Present:

Niko Argeres Doug Cords

Erica Maranian
Teresa Patterson

*Assistant Secretary:

Rod Rimmber

Mark Roberts Sherry Forath Wes Segal

Dio Stefanopoulos <u>*Others Present:</u>

*President: Foundation Chair Tom Ogden

Past President Don Asperger
Tim Swanson Classification Chair John Ganahl

*President-Elect:

Sasan Rahmatian

*Treasurer:

Scott Bristol

*Foundation Treasurer:

Fausto Hinojosa

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 a.m. by President Tim Swanson, in the Boardroom of the Stoughton Davidson Accountancy Corporation at 2520 West Shaw Lane, Suite 101, Fresno, California 93711.

With the addition of a "Report From Foundation Chair!" the Agenda was approved as distributed to the Members.

*CONSENT ITEMS:

*Membership As Of 1 July 2008

*Attendance For The Month Of June 2008

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It was MSC to approve the Consent Items, as presented.

*APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

It was MSC to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 25 June 2008.

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*TREASURER'S REPORT: (Scott Bristol)

Treasurer Scott Bristol reviewed the previous month's results, which reflect the end-of-the-year close. Scott will post dues and shall bill members as of 1 July for Semi-Annual Dues.

He reviewed write-offs of terminated members and noted that the Club completed the year \$10,302.82 ahead of budget. Per previous Board action, in lieu of transferring funds to the Foundation, our customary practice, the sum of \$10,000 will be earmarked the the Zambia International Project.

Scott reviewed Financials, actual versus budget, and noted that fine income was lower due to fewer members than projected.

There still remain \$2,000 in the Woodward Park Bench Project. President Tim noted that this is on his radar screen for a project during the year.

There remain \$12,000 allocated for travel to a Rotary International Convention, \$4,000 each for Scott Bristol, Doug Cords and one Past President, the result of Board Action in the past.

*Accounts:

*County Bank - Checking Account:	\$21 , 923.61
*County Bank t Certificate Of Deposit:	27,130.00
*Members' Current Accounts:	11,182.00
*Deposits:	1,034.80
*Totals:	61,270.41

It was MSC to approve the Treasurer's Report, as presented.

*FOUNDATION CHAIR:

(Tom Ogden)

Chair Tom reported that he will shortly be billing members for their voluntary Paul Harris Sustaining Account contribution. He provided an update on Paul Harris Awards last year, completed and ready to be presented.

The Club should be on target to contribute \$15,000-16,000. this year.

Past Member Stewart Butler, now a Rotarian in Reno, will be at our meeting this Friday, 25 July, to receive his Paul Harris Award. Tom Ogden, due to scheduling constraints, will travel to Bakersfield to present his son's Award.

*SECRETARY'S REPORT; (Doug Cords)

President Tim and Doug offered up a cordial "welcome" to our new Board Members, with thanks for their service.

Last month, the Secrêtary and Past President Judy Case invested time with Larry Fortune and learned then that he wished to remain in the Club and would come to this meeting for a Reinstatement Vote. He has since reconsidered his time availability and will not be coming back.

Club Accounts Balance sheet for period ending30 June 08

Printed 7/22/2008 **ACCUMULATED FUNDS Club Funds** Balance at beginning of year \$32.631.17 Excess (Deficit) for period \$10,302.82 Balance to Date \$42,933.99 **TOTAL FUNDS** \$42,933.99 Represented by: **ASSETS** Checking Account-County Bank \$21,923.61 County Bank-Cert of Time Dep \$27,130.00 Member's Current Accounts \$11,182.00 **Deposits** \$1,034.80 **Total Assets** \$61,270.41 **LIABILITIES** Foundation Payable \$1,463.00 PHF Clearing \$200.00 **Demotion Party Payables** \$2.238.86 Woodward Park Bench Project \$2,434.56 R.I Convention Reserve \$12,000.00 **Total Liabilities** \$18,336.42 **NET ASSETS** \$42,933.99

Club Accounts

Income & Expenditure: Comparison to Budget to June 08

			Priı	nted 7/22/2008
	Current Month	Year to Date	Budget to Date	Variance
INCOME				
Member Dues	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
Terminated Members	\$514.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Admin Charge-New Members	\$0.00	\$640.00	\$800.00	(\$160.00)
Fines	\$4,660.00	\$19,040.00	\$20,000.00	(\$960.00)
Raffle	\$340.00	\$1,500.93	\$1,500.00	\$0.93
Interest	\$55.49	\$907.10	\$960.00	(\$52.90)
Demotion Party	\$2,820.00	\$2,870.00	\$3,000.00	(\$130.00)
Roger Rockas	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	(\$2,000.00)
Retreat	(\$140.00)	\$2,910.00	\$3,000.00	(\$90.00)
Races	\$0.00	\$2,650.00	\$2,400.00	\$250.00
Mystery Dinner	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	\$800.00	\$1,100.00
Field Trips	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	(\$1,200.00)
Offsite Lunches	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	(\$1,200.00)
Basque Hotel Luncheon	\$0.00	\$784.00	\$700.00	\$84.00
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$1,620.00	\$4,200.00	(\$2,580.00)
Auction	\$0.00	\$5,820.00	\$0.00	\$5,820.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$381.25	\$600.00	_ (\$218.75)
Total Income	\$8,249.49	\$66,023.28	\$67,360.00	(\$1,336.72)
EXPENDITURE				
District Governor Expenses	(\$400.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
R.I. Dues	\$0.00	\$6,276.85	\$6,700.00	\$423.15
District Dues	\$0.00	\$4,754.10	\$4,800.00	\$45.90
Supplies and Postage	\$0.00	\$997.19	\$1,300.00	\$302.81
Computer Expenses and Web Site	\$472.00	\$1,332.42	\$720.00	(\$612.42)
Officer Expense	\$357.43	\$2,241.86	\$2,400.00	\$158.14
Insurance	\$0.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,675.00	(\$25.00)
Terminated Members	\$1,068.00	\$1,068.00	\$760.00	(\$308.00)
Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00	\$629.84	\$420.00	(\$209.84)
Bank Charges	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$120.00	\$114.00
District Governor Expenses	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$320.00	(\$80.00)
Dist Conf and Assembly	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$250.00	\$90.00
Raffle Prizes	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$1,200.00	\$400.00
Speakers Dedication Gift	\$296.36	\$876.12	\$1,080.00	\$203.88
Lunch-Tornino's	\$1,881.00	\$6,408.00	\$4,800.00	(\$1,608.00)
Nominating Comm Dinner	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
FGR Foundation	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$10,000.00	\$9,500.00
Equipment Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Paul Harris Framing	\$430.82	\$492.37	\$960.00	\$467.63
Speakers	(\$296.36)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Demotion Party	\$2,238.86	\$2,238.86	\$3,000.00	\$761.14
Banners, Badges, Pins	\$739.93	\$1,482.23	\$720.00	(\$762.23)
Paul Harrris Costs-Framing, etc.	\$0.00	\$307.73	\$0.00	(\$307.73)
Hospitality and Fellowship	\$0.00	\$468.14	\$5,000.00	\$4,531.86
Blue Book	\$0.00	\$298.28	\$360.00	\$61.72
Rotary Information	\$179.85	\$179.85	\$360.00	\$180.15
Membership	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Roger Rockas	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Duck Races	\$0.00	\$139.52	\$300.00	\$160.48
Retreat	\$0.00	\$3,545.48	\$4,200.00	\$654.52
ihe Races	\$0.00	\$3,265.74	\$2,400.00	(\$865.74)
Mystery Dinner	\$0.00	\$2,123.25	\$800.00	(\$1,323.25)
Field Trips	\$0.00	\$275.34	\$1,200.00	\$924.66

Club Accounts

income & Expenditure: Comparison to Budget to June 08

			Prin	ited 7/22/2008
	Current Month	Year to Date	Budget to Date	Variance
Offsite Lunches	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Basque Hotel	\$0.00	\$866.25	\$700.00	(\$166.25)
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$1,659.29	\$4,200.00	\$2,540.71
Valentines Day	\$0.00	\$332.20	\$200.00	(\$132.20)
Auction	\$6,000.00	\$7,420.64	\$0.00	(\$7,420.64)
Camp Royal	\$570.90	\$770.90	\$1,200.00	\$429.10
Community Projects	\$0.00	\$179.01	\$0.00	(\$179.01)
Youth Exchange	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	(\$600.00)
Paul Harris	\$0.00	\$925.00	\$0.00	(\$925.00)
Total Expenditure	\$13,944.79	\$55,720.46	\$67,095.00	\$11,374.54

Excess (Deficit)

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INCOME	20.00	
Member Dues	\$0.00	\$25,000.00
Terminated Members	\$514.00	\$0.00
Admin Charge-New Members	\$0.00	\$640.00
Fines	\$4,660.00	\$19,040.00
Raffle	\$340.00	\$1,500.93
Interest	\$55.49	\$907.10
Demotion Party	\$2,820.00	\$2,870.00
Retreat	(\$140.00)	\$2,910.00
Races	\$0.00	\$2,650.00
Mystery Dinner	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
Basque Hotel Luncheon	\$0.00	\$784.00
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$1,620.00
Auction	\$0.00	\$5,820.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$381.25
Total Income	\$8,249.49	\$66,023.28
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EXPENDITURE		
District Governor Expenses	(\$400.00)	\$0.00
R.I. Dues	\$0.00	\$6,276.85
District Dues	\$0.00	\$4,754.10
Supplies and Postage	\$0.00	\$997.19
Computer Expenses and Web Site	\$472.00	\$1,332.42
Officer Expense	\$357.43	\$2,241.86
Insurance	\$0.00	\$1,700.00
Terminated Members	\$1,068.00	\$1,068.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00	\$629.84
Bank Charges	\$6.00 \$6.00	\$6.00
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District Governor Expenses	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$400.00 \$160.00
Dist Conf and Assembly	\$0.00	\$160.00
Raffle Prizes	\$0.00	\$800.00
Speakers Dedication Gift	\$296.36	\$876.12
Lunch-Tornino's	\$1,881.00	\$6,408.00
FGR Foundation	\$0.00	\$500.00
Paul Harris Framing	\$430.82	\$492.37
Speakers	(\$296.36)	\$0.00
Demotion Party	\$2,238.86	\$2,238.86
Banners, Badges, Pins	\$739.93	\$1,482.23
Paul Harrris Costs-Framing, etc.	\$0.00	\$307.73
Hospitality and Fellowship	\$0.00	\$468.14
Blue Book	\$0.00	\$298.28
Rotary Information	\$179.85	\$179.85
Duck Races	\$0.00	\$139.52
Retreat	\$0.00	\$3,545.48
The Races	\$0.00	\$3,265.74
Mystery Dinner	\$0.00	\$2,123.25
Field Trips	\$0.00	\$275.34
Basque Hotel	\$0.00	\$866.25
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Christmas Party	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,659.29 \$333.30
Valentines Day	\$0.00 \$6.000.00	\$332.20 \$7.420.64
Auction	\$6,000.00 \$570.00	\$7,420.64
Camp Royal	\$570.90	\$770.90 \$470.04
Community Projects	\$0.00	\$179.01
Youth Exchange	\$0.00	\$600.00

Club Accounts Income and Expenditure for period to

Excess (Deficit)	(\$5,695.30)	\$10,302.82
Total Expenditure	\$13,944.79	\$55,720.46
Paul Harris	\$0.00	\$925.00
	<u>Current Month</u>	Printed 7/22/2008 Year to Date

Club Accounts

Income & Expenditure: Current Year vs Previous Year to June 08

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INCOME	Current rear	FIEVIOUS TEAT	Current real	Previous Year
Member Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	600 E60 E0
Terminated Members	\$5.00 \$514.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$23,562.50 \$100.00
Admin Charge-New Members	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$640.00	\$555.00
Fines	\$4,660.00	\$5,140.00	\$19,040.00	\$20,015.00
Raffle	\$340.00	\$340.00	\$1,500.93	\$1,847.00
Interest	\$55.49	\$86.75	\$907.10	\$1,273.80
Demotion Party	\$2,820.00	\$0.00	\$2,870.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$6,720.00	\$0.00	\$7,717.50
Roger Rockas Retreat	(\$140.00)	\$0.00	\$2,910.00	\$2,955.00
Races	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,650.00	\$2,673.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	\$0.00
Mystery Dinner Offsite Lunches	\$0.00	\$297.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$297.00
Basque Hotel Luncheon	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$784.00	\$675.75
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,620.00	\$4,200.00
Auction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,820.00	\$4,470.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$381.25	\$418.70
Bullard Theater	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Total Income	\$8,249.49	\$13,083.75	\$66,023.28	\$71,260.25
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EXPENDITURE				
District Governor Expenses	(\$400.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
R.I. Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,276.85	\$6,028.66
District Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,754.10	\$4,559.06
Supplies and Postage	\$0.00	\$163.00	\$997.19	\$1,218.36
Computer Expenses and Web Site	\$472.00	\$472.00	\$1,332.42	\$944.00
Officer Expense	\$357.43	\$2,746.48	\$2,241.86	\$4,092.76
Insurance	\$0.00	\$1,675.00	\$1,700.00	\$1,675.00
Terminated Members	\$1,068.00	\$0.00	\$1,068.00	\$760.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$629.84	\$893.17
Member Accomodations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$539.00
Bank Charges	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$5.00
District Governor Expenses	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$321.28
Dist Conf and Assembly	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$247.84
Raffle Prizes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$1,192.21
Speakers Dedication Gift	\$296.36	\$0.00	\$876.12	\$983.89
Lunch-Tornino's	\$1,881.00	\$629.00	\$6,408.00	\$5,012.33
FGR Foundation	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$500.00	\$10,000.00
Equipment Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,633.73
Paul Harris Framing	\$430.82	\$0.00	\$492.37	\$963.13
Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$60.00
Speakers	(\$296.36)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Demotion Party	\$2,238.86	\$6,617.83	\$2,238.86	\$8,543.83
Banners, Badges, Pins	\$739.93	\$166.05	\$1,482.23	\$646.35
Paul Harrris Costs-Framing, etc.	\$0.00	\$302.33	\$307.73	\$302.33
Hospitality and Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$468.14	\$312.86
Blue Book	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$298.28	\$259.14
Rotary Information	\$179.85	\$200.54	\$179.85	\$200.54
Roger Rockas	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$992.25
Duck Races	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$139.52	\$284.69
Zetreat	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,545.48	\$4,696.77
The Races	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,265.74	\$3,559.39
Mystery Dinner	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,123.25	\$0.00
Field Trips	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.34	\$0.00

Club Accounts

Income & Expenditure: Current Year vs Previous Year to June 08

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	Month		Year to Date	
	Current Year	Previous Year	Current Year	Previous Year
Basque Hotel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$866.25	\$692.32
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,659.29	\$7,464.97
Valentines Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$332.20	\$0.00
Auction	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$7,420.64	\$6,550.17
Camp Royal	\$570.90	\$652.82	\$770.90	\$852.82
Community Projects	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$179.01	\$0.00
Youth Exchange	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00	\$0.00
Paul Harris	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$925.00	\$0.00
Total Expenditure	\$13,944.79	\$24,180.05	\$55,720.46	\$76,487.85

Excess (Deficit)

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Rotarian # Stones

Mike Graves 2
Dave Holden 4

IPHF's Status

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PHF's Multiple Pins 7/22/2008

*SECRETARY'S REPORT, Continued:

Per last month's Board action, "Honorary Membership" has been accorded to Charter Member Jerry Peters, Carole Reed and Dr. Craig Harlan. Since that meeting, cancer claimed Craig's life and his service is this coming Saturday at Clovis Christian Church. As was done for Pat Farzaroli's widow, a collage was presented to the Harlan Family, including Craig's Blue Badge, his memoriam as presented at the meeting of 18 July and his Roster page.

It was MSC to allocate the sum of \$150.00 (\$75./each) as a thank you to Scott Bristol's wonderful two staff members who host our Board Meetings each month. Wendy Cords will purchase Fig Garden Village Gift Certificates, per Scott's suggestion, for presentation at an upcoming meeting.

The Secretary reviewed the "Semi-Annual Report," which is the annual amounts due to Rotary International, cut in half. The task is to verify its accuracy, make changes and then calculate the amount owed per each six months' period. The President and Secretary verify and sign, then the Treaurer remits our payment.

Per capita amounts payable for this period are:

*Member Dues: *Council On Legislation *Liability Insurance *Rotarian Magazine:	\$24.00 1.00 3.45 6.00
*Total:	\$34.45

Assistant Treasurer Mike Graves' "Excuse From Attendance Requirements" ran from April through June; he has as yet not come to a July meeting and no make-ups have been sent to the Secretary. Mike received a "welcome back" note last Saturday and we look forward to his return to the Club's activities.

Long-time member Denver Butler has requested an "Excuse From Attendance Requirements: for the period July through September. The Secretary reviewed for the Board the three criteriaLutilized for this decision. It was MSC to approve the request.

During the past days, per Board requirement, the Secretary has calculated the last six months' attendance for each member. Whenever there appears to be a possible attendance problem, the member is contacted immediately, as a pro-active step. Per previous Board policy, the President steps in and makes a personal contact if the potential problem appears serious. Only two member were below the 60% minimum requirement for attendance, and the Secretary has been working with each over the past several weeks. Each was down just a single meeting, and Blood Center Credits were used. This is the lowest number of members with possible problems in a decade. The numbers will be published in <u>Avenues</u> and corrections made, as members contact the Assistant Secretary and/or Secretary. In August, our annual "100% Attendance Awards Ceremony" will be scheduled.

Although he could not possibly be of such an age, our good member and Treasurer Scott Bristol qualifies for the "85" number in terms of age and years of Rotary service. It was MSC to accord the title "Rotarian Emeritus" to Scott. Wendy Cords will prepare the Certificate and frame and it will be presented to Scott by President Tim at an upcoming Meeting.

#PRPSTDMIP-ELECT'S REPORT: (Sasan Rahmatian)

Dr. Rahmatian noted that the previously-scheduled discussion item about TorNino's is withdrawn.

He noted that we have a set Auction Date - 28 March 2009 - at TorNino's

As Chair of the Ad Hoc By-Laws' Review Committee, Sasan led a lengthy discussion, item-by-item on the recommendations of this group. He noted there was not unanimous agreement on the "secret ballot" provision, and presented which supported the position of a confidential vote process.

Each proposed revision was individually discussed and then voted upon separately. (Note: all were passed," and thus for purposes of the Minutes, a separate "MSC" is not included.

Item 6.1 was discussed in depth and was tabled, to be reviewed after further research and discussion have taken place. The allegation on the final page that the Secretary handled items without Board involvement was strongly contested by Dr. Cords as totally inaccurate, with examples given to refute. This item will be re-visited if the Sub-Committee so wishes.

Upon completion of Board action, these suggested By-Laws Revisions will be duly noticed and presented, for vote, at the Club level.

*PAST-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

In Judy Case's absence, no report this month.

*PRESIDENT'S TIME; (Tim Swanson)

Due to the lengthy discussions on By-Laws, President Time noted the Board Members' responsibility to attend meetings; three missed meetings, no matter what the cause, subjects the Member to automatic disqualification. Of course, a reinstatement proposal and vote may follow.

*AVENUES OF SERVICE:

*Club Service: (Teresa Patterson and Dio Stefanopoulos)

The "Annual Great Fig Garden Rotary Duck Races" will be held on 22 Auglist at the home of Past President Don Asperger.

*Community Service: (Mark Robers and Erica Maranian)

President Tim wishes to meet with the Directors of each Avenue Of Service in the near future, to offer his support and visit about planned goals and programs.

*Vocational Service: (Niko Argeres and Wes Segal)

Each Avenue Of Service is brand-new this month; no report.

*International Service: (Rod Rimmer)

Director Rod led a discussion on our past support of the Nancy Hinds

To: FGR Board of Directors

From: Sasan Rahmatian, Chair, By-Laws Review Committee

Subject: By-Laws Review Committee Report

Date: July 15, 2008

The Assignment

The By-Laws Review Committee was formed on April 23, 2008, with the mission of identifying sections of the existing By-Laws that are ambiguous, outdated, or otherwise subject to improvement, and proposing improvements to them.

The Process

The Committee was initially composed of Sasan Rahmatian (Chair), Tim Swanson, Don Asperger, Tom Ogden, and Stewart Butler. With the resignation of Stewart Butler from the Club, John Ganahl replaced him.

The Committee met twice: On Saturdays, May 24 and June 28, 2008.

The Committee recommends that:

- Four provisions of the Club's By-Laws be submitted to the membership for approval, in accordance with By-Laws Article XIV;
- A conforming change be made to the By-Laws of the Club Foundation, as provided by Article XI, Section 4 of those By-Laws;
- The Board follow two existing provisions of the By-Laws that appear to have been overlooked:
- A table of contents be generated for ease of reference to the Club's By-Laws; and
- Copies of the Club's By-Laws be made available for viewing on the Club's web site and be available for review by any director at each Board meeting.

The Proposed Outcome

1. ARTICLE II, SECTION 1, should be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1 - The governing body of this Club shall be the Board of Directors consisting of the following members of this Club, namely: the Board of Directors elected in accordance with Article I, Section 1, of these Bylaws, the President, the immediate Past President, the President Elect, the President-Elect-Elect, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Treasurer of FIG GARDEN ROTARY FOUNDATION, and the Club Chairman for the ROTARY FOUNDATION.

A redline version showing the proposed change is as follows:

SECTION 1 - The governing body of this Club shall be the Board of Directors consisting of the following members of this Club, namely;: The Board of Directors elected in accordance with Article I, Section 1, of these Bylaws, the President, the immediate Past President, the President Elect, 4²the President-Elect-Elect, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Treasurer of FIG GARDEN ROTARY FOUNDATION, and the Club Chairman for the ROTARY FOUNDATION.

- 2. Adopting the change recommended as item 1 would require a conforming change to Article VII, Section 2 of the Fig Garden Rotary Foundation By-Laws, to read as follows:
 - Section 2. <u>NUMBER OF DIRECTORS</u>. The number of Directors of this corporation shall equal the number of directors authorized for Fig Garden Rotary Club until changed by amendment of these Bylaws.

A redline version showing the proposed change is as follows:

Section 2. <u>NUMBER OF DIRECTORS.</u> The authorized number of Directors shall <u>equal the number of directors authorized for Fig Garden Rotary Club</u> until changed by amendment of <u>the-these</u> Bylaws.

3. ARTICLE VI should be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI Method of Voting

SECTION 1 — <u>Members.</u> No action requiring the vote of the entire membership of this Club shall be taken at any regular meeting unless prior notice of such proposed action shall have been published in the Club's bulletin at least eight days prior to the meeting at which such vote is to be taken. The vote thereon shall be by voice vote unless the President shall determine the vote shall be taken by written ballot or unless the request for a written ballot is made by no less than ten members of the Club. The Club's bulletin shall be deemed "published" when mailed or electronically transmitted to the members.

SECTION 2 — <u>Board of Directors</u>. Votes of the Board may be by voice vote, hand vote, or written ballot; provided, however, that (i) upon demand made by any director, voting on any matter shall be by written ballot; and (ii) if written ballots are used each ballot shall be marked in such a way that the identity of the director casting it may readily be determined.

All meetings of the Board shall be open to any member of the Club; provided, however, that the Board may conduct discussions in Executive Session if a majority of directors present vote for such a session and the matter to be discussed relates solely to one of the following subject areas:

- (a) Any actual or potential legal claim or financial assessment, whether asserted or unasserted against the Club or any Officer or Director acting in their capacity as such.
- (b) Personnel and membership matters related to the eligibility for membership, continuity or termination of members of the Club, the disclosure of which might be detrimental, hurtful or injurious to the privacy, reputation or personal finances of any member or proposed new member of the Club.

The matters that lead to an Executive Session shall be described in very general terms only in the public minutes; the details of such Executive Session discussions shall be strictly confidential and no minutes shall be maintained. All actions of the Board of Directors resulting from discussions in Executive Session shall be taken in a public proceeding. Non-members of the Board of Directors shall be excluded from the Executive Session, unless their presence is required to provide information or legal counsel to the Board.

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4. Sections 1 and 2 of ARTICLE IX should be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1. Minimum attendance requirements shall be in accordance with policies established by Rotary International from time to time. Meetings can be made up according to policies established by Rotary International and the Board.

SECTION 2. Failure to meet the attendance requirements in Section 1 shall be grounds for termination under Article XI, Section 2.

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- **5.** The first two paragraphs of ARTICLE XI, SECTION I (e) should be amended to read as follows:
 - (e) If no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons and their factual basis, is received by the Board from any member of the Club within seven (7) days following publication of the name of the prospective member, the prospective member, upon payment of his/her admission fee, as prescribed in Article V of these by-laws, shall be considered to be elected to membership.

If any objection has been filed with the Board, the Board will submit the new information received in the objection to the Membership and/or Classification Committee as called for. The applicable Committee will reconsider its prior decision in light of the new information and submit a new report to the Board of Directors. The Board shall consider the new report at any regular or special meeting of the Board and shall vote on whether to admit the proposed member. The recommendation of the Committee shall not be binding upon the Board. The members of the Board shall exercise their independent judgment in considering and acting upon the matters before them. If at least four negative votes are cast by members of the Board in attendance at such regular or special meeting, the proposed member shall not be considered to be elected to membership. The proposed member is then notified by the President of the decision of the Board of Directors.

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6. This item is not a recommendation that the By-Laws be changed. However, the Committee concluded that certain By-Law provisions appear to have been overlooked in the past:

6.1.

Article XIII, Section 4(d) establishes certain requirements and duties for the Membership Committee. The third paragraph reads as follows:

In addition to conducting proposed new member evaluations, this Committee shall also establish policies and practices for acceptable financial performance of members regarding their accounts with the Club, including termination procedures in the event of non-payment or lack of timeliness in paying accounts. Any policy or procedure so established by the Membership Committee shall be in writing, approved by the Board of Directors and disseminated to the membership prior to its implementation. At its sole discretion, the Committee; 1) may either work with delinquent members in arranging deferred payment schedules or simply recommend termination of the member, and 2) evaluate and review members' past due accounts and make recommendations for continuity and termination of members due to the Member's non-payment of accounts or lack of timeliness in payment of such account. The Membership Committee shall receive monthly account agings from the Club Treasurer and make recommendations, no less often than quarterly, regarding financial obligations. It shall ultimately be the responsibility of the Board to decide whether a member is continued or terminated.

The Committee understands that delinquent member accounts are currently handled by the Club Treasurer and President, and that no written policies have been adopted. This appears to be contrary to the By-Laws.

The Committee recommends that the Club follow the practices set forth in the By-Laws, or amend the By-Laws to reflect the Club's actual practices.

6.2.

Article IX, Section 2 of the By-Laws (in its revised version) reads as follows:

SECTION 2. Failure to meet the attendance requirements in Section 1 shall be grounds for termination under Article XI, Section 2.

The provision to which it refers reads as follows:

SECTION 2 - Termination of Membership. A membership may be terminated for failure to comply with Rotary International requirements, failure to pay amounts owed to the Club or the Fig Garden Rotary Foundation, failure to meet

attendance requirements of Article ${\bf a}$ Section 1, or such other grounds for termination that the Board may determine. Termination of a membership shall be done in accordance with the following procedure:

- (a) The affected member shall be given fifteen (15) days' prior written notice of the proposed termination and the reasons therefore. Notice shall be deemed given when personally delivered or deposited in the United States mail, first class or registered, postage prepaid, or electronically transmitted, sent to the last address of the member shown on the Club's records; and
- (b) The affected member shall be given an opportunity to be heard by the Board, orally or in writing, not less than five (5) days before the effective date of the termination.

The Committee understands that terminations for failure to meet attendance requirements have been treated as automatic, and handled by the Secretary without active Board involvement and without notifying the affected members that they have the opportunity to be heard by the Board. That procedure would appear to be improper. While failure to meet attendance requirements is "grounds" for termination, the statement that a member "may be terminated" suggests that termination is not automatic, and the Board is required to exercise its discretion in each member's case.

The Committee recommends that the procedures set forth in the By-Laws be followed.

Administrative Matters

During the committee's discussions, it was agreed that, for ease of reference by the Board and the Club members, the By-Laws should be posted on the Club's web site and he accompanied by a table of contents, and at least one copy should be available for inspection by any director at each Board meeting.

Some Facts Pertaining to the Possible Use of Secret Ballots at FGR Board Voting

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1. Are secret ballots used at RI Board voting?

ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES, June 2008, page 142

12. Before conducting a ballot for president, the nominating committee shall discuss the qualifications of each candidate. Following the discussion of all of the candidates, the chairman shall distribute ballots prepared by the general secretary containing an alphabetical list of candidates and instruct each member of the committee to vote for six candidates. All voting conducted urider this paragraph shall be conducted by secret ballot. The secretary shall tabulate the results and announce the six highest vote-getters.

2. Has the FGR Board ever voted on the use of secret ballots?

The minutes of the March 26 FGR Board meeting, page 2, last paragraph: "It was MSC, after discussion, to utilize a written ballot for the required vote."

3. Are there Rotary Clubs that use secret ballots at their board meetings?

Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Washington, D.C.

http://www_clubrunner.ca/Data/7620%5C2271%5CHTML°A5C29305%5CE3y%20Laws_pdf_Section_3.

The Board shall review the candidate's file and vote by secret ballot on the proposed candidate for membership. If two negative votes are cast then the candidate is declined membership. If the candidate is approved by the Board, the name of the candidate along with the candidate's classification shall be published in the weekly newsletter.

Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Tallahassee

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If objections have been made, then the Board shall consider them at any regular or special meeting of the Board. The President or the Secretary shall present such objections and if it is the will of the Directors, the objecting member or members shall be asked to present their view to the Directors in an executive session especially called for that purpose. If the Directors, in their judgment, decide the calling of the objecting member or members is not necessary, then the Directors shall proceed to vote by §ecr, on the application.

Bylaws of the Rotary Club of West El Paso

http://www.rotarywestelpaso.ord/responsibilities/RCWEPBylaws.pdf

Section 5 — If no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons other than classification, is received by the board from any member in good standing within fourteen days following publication of information about the prospective member, that person, upon payment of the admission fee, as prescribed in these bylaws, shall be considered elected to membership. If less than three such objections have been filed with the board, it shall vote on this matter, by secret WM, at its next meeting.

Monroe Rotary Club (Michigan)

http:llmonroe.libin i.us/com mu n itv info/organizations/Monroe otary/newsletter/2006/apr11 O 6.htm

From "Rotary Newsletter for April 11, 2006":

Because the board had received a written response to proposed member Jack Campbell's membership, the by-laws were consulted and a secret ballot was cast. The vote was not in favor of Mr. Campbell's membership. President Joe Sweeney contacted Mr. Campbell and his sponsor following the board meeting.

Rotary Club of Knoxville, Tennessee

http://vvww.rota 6780.org/WordDocs/KnoxvilleRotaryOrientation.doc

3. If the Membership Screening Committee's report is favorable, its recommendation, along with all other information pertaining to the proposed member goes to the club's Board of Directors for its consideration after which the Board votes by secret ballot. Approval by the Board must be unanimous. The Board may ask the proposer to appear before the Board to defend his proposed new member.

Bylaws of the Rotary Club of Groton, New York

http://arotonrotaryclub.oreby laws.aspx

If any such objection has been filed with the board, the board shall vote by secret ballot on this matter at its next meeting. If approved despite the objection, the proposed member, upon payment of the admission fee (if not honorary membership), shall be considered to be elected to membership.

*International Service, continued.

Hospice and presented a request to help co-fund a two-day conference in Fresno focusing upon "Hospice and Palliative Care in Developing Countries." There was concensus that this fits into "International Service," rather than "Community Service," because of its focus on other countries.

It was MSC to allocate the sum of \$1,200. for this program.

*OLD BUSINESS:

No Old Business this month.

*NEW BUSINESS:

A letter was available from Sandy Whittle, District Secretary, promoting the June 5-7 2009 District Conference in Seaside. Using the Code "RIG" will provide a \$159./night cost at the Seaside Embassy Suites, until 31 December or a sell-out of the hotel. The reservation phone number is: 1-800-Embassy. Our own member, August Hioco, is the leader of the District this year! Strong member support is encouraged.

*ADJORNMENT: President Tim Swanson adjourned the Meeting at 9:07 a.m.

*NEXT MEETING: 27 August 2008

Respectfully Submitted By Doug Cords, Ph.D., Secretary and Sherry Forathi, Assistant Secretary.

06/17/08

Dear Rotarians:

I am so excited that we are able to bring this unique and needed educational opportunity to Fresno. If it is successful, we will be doing this annually.

Hinds Hospice, is presenting a two day conference on *Hospice and Palliative Care in Developing Countries*. This is the first time such an educational opportunity has been offered to healthcare professionals interested in serving overseas.

Date: August 26 - 27, 2008

Location: U.C. San Francisco Education Center in Fresno, CA

The purpose of this training: To ignite interest and instill current applicable medical/nursing knowledge of international palliative care and to describe the psychosocial / spiritual climate healthcare professionals may be facing in developing countries. We desire to offer direction and preparation for placement in the countries of greatest need.

This conference will be offered to an interdisciplinary group of healthcare professionals, (i.e. physicians, nurses, social workers, chaplains, pharmacists) throughout the United States. There will be a registration /conference fee to cover site costs, food, CEU, CME, PEC credits.

Objectives of "Hospice and Palliative Care in Developing Countries"

- Understand the applicability of Hospice and Palliative Care in developing countries
- Discuss the high percentage of people in developing countries that may **never** have access to care
- Identify the current testing and treatment of HIV/AIDS
- Identify myths regarding use of morphine and the inability to provide morphine
- Identify 3 other diseases that are prevalent in developing countries that complicate treatment for HIV/AIDS
- Describe 2 challenges in the delivery of care to rural populations and healthcare infrastructures that are weak
- Instill **desire to serve** in developing countries recognizing the immense need

ATTACHMENT A

PROPOSED BUDGET

Four speakers/expenses:

Honorariums

Five Presenters (\$500 per presenters x 5) 2,500

Travel (Airfare) — Covered by donor

Expenses for 2 within the U.S. not to exceed \$600 per person \$1,200

Hotel Accommodation

2 people x 4 nights at \$100 per night \$800

Material/Resources

Copying curriculum + binder (\$30 each x 50 participants) \$1,500

Total \$4,800