



Rotary Club of McLean Board Meeting Agenda – August 13th, 2024

Redeemer Library
11:00 am

Attendees: Cecilia Closs, Michael Arietti, Carol King, Michael Falcone, Richard Golden, Sam Agarwal, Carmen Wu, Courtney Nuzzo (virtual/in person), Nicki Birch, Lois Wilson, Janine Frank

CALL TO ORDER: 11:01 AM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 11th MEETING: Michael Arietti moved we approved; Carol King seconded. The entire board was in favor; no one opposed; motion passed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: 11:04 AM; Michael Arietti

Michael Arietti shared he sent everyone an email regarding finding a new treasurer for period beginning July 2025. About half of the members have paid their dues. But, nothing unusual.

CLUB CALENDAR: - Carol King

Carol shared that caught up with everything. Michael A mentioned he will be speaker on September 3rd and talk about the District

PUBLIC IMAGE: – Joann Berkson Not Present

MEMBERSHIP: - Rich/Karen Not Present

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE: N/A; Lois Wilson Not present.

Will be back once she has finished with her commitments

CLUB GRANTS: Courtney Nuzzo shared that we are talking about opening it up for applications soon after the Chocolate Festival like we did this year. Courtney also shared she could present a tutorial about how to apply on the 10th.



CLUB SERVICES: Michael Falcone

Cecilia Closs shared plans for the last meeting of the month to be a service project meeting as a non on location service project at the church and without catering provided. This would release some of our budget restraints. **Cecilia Closs** continued sharing that we've been invited to "Celebrate McLean" at McLean HS, August 29th where we could have an appearance with a table and distribute information about Roteract, Ryla, scholarships etc. **Cecilia** continued by sharing that Bob Jansen provided info that could be converted into a flyer. While the board discussed printing and costs, **Sam Agarwal** brought up a question about his Zoom account which was recently renewed although we are no longer using it.

JINGLE BELL 5K RUN/5KWALK December 7th – Janine Frank

Janine shared the Fairfax County Police have approved the course. The police pointed out that there is a need for a lot of course marshals who would make sure the runners stay on course. While on topic of volunteers, Janine shared she only has Carmen and Karen on the committee for now so Janine is looking for a handful more committee members to assist but that can wait until later in the Fall. Food and drink donations are secured and the registration link is live. **Cecilia** mentioned we need to get that link on our website. **Richard Golden** asked to have the link sent to him. When **Michael A** asked why we aren't having the run at the same location, we shared that we weren't approved there. **Janine** shared that now that we have this new course for the next 10 years, anyone else who schedules a run on this course, will be informed that the Mclean Rotary club organized and registered this new course. We already have a sponsorship commitment of \$1,500 from our Rotarian Lynn Heinrichs and **Carmen** is working on more sponsorships.

NEW BUSINESS – Cecilia Closs

Cecilia appealed to all chairs who make up the board to reach out to one or two people to start forming committees so that the chair persons are not all doing everything for these projects. The board discussed identifying a member who would assist with finding speakers for our meetings. **Courtney Nuzzo** volunteered temporary assistance and reiterated that Cecilia should not need to be doing this in addition to all her tasks. **Courtney** also shared when she was president, she would fall back on Ted-Talks in lieu of a speaker. **Michael A** asked if there was a general agreement regarding having 3 regular meetings and 1 service meeting a month instead of 4 regular meetings. **Michael A** also shared his support of this idea, citing 2 benefits of this change; 1. Allowing younger people to access our 'service' meetings that will be held evenings and 2. The club would conserve budget by the number of meetings we would pay for the use of the meeting venue and catering. **Carol King** asked if the plan was to present to the whole club membership or have the board authorize the change. **Cecilia** replied with the plan



to have it authorized by the board because, depending on how the members and the public responds, it can always be changed back. **Michael A** added that the church as already agreed to charge us for 3 meetings a month regardless of the number meetings we have beginning with this month. This would save us approximately \$2,000 per year for the venue. Jimmy is on board with this change. **Cecilia** shared - lastly, Friday, November 8th, the football game between Langley and McLean would be an opportunity to have a happy hour or fellowship before the game.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:56 AM