

**Penn Yan Rotary Club**  
**Board Meeting February 14, 2017 Minutes**

Present: Diane Krans, Sandi Perl, Stacy Wyant, Sue Andersen, Tom May, Leon Fontier, John Socha, Carol Worth, Don Oakleaf, Bob Smith, Rob Schwarting, Sandie Minister, David Graham, Mary Ellen Morgan and Patrick Tolbert. Meeting called to order by Co-President Sandi at 8:00 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes** –Motion to approve the January 10, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Sue, second by Leon. Motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report –**

Sue is still unable to print reports:

- ☉ Three expenses this months:
  - Dues of \$1126 to Rotary International
  - Sona Dobronova check for \$100
  - Sona Dobronova check for \$11

☉ Ryan has paid his dues

Account balances:	Operating account	\$ 2,902.70
	Savings account	\$ 6,566.04
	CD renewed for	\$ 5,490.06
	Restricted acct at Community Bank	\$ 8,587.08

Bob moved the Treasurer’s Report be approved, second by Diane. Motion carried.

**Literacy:** Ryan Hallings, Literacy chair will complete the District Literacy Award paperwork.

**YEX:** No YEX inbound next year. Stacy is collecting cash to give Sona today as we celebrate her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. He hopes to get \$200 to give her.

**International Service:** Leon has registered for Multi District PETS. He and Jeff went last evening to the Waterloo Rotary Club as an initiative for Area 7 clubs to work together to cooperate on a Global Grant. Chris Schaffer donated \$100 for this effort. Sue will create a line item and deposit the funds in our operating account.

**Walk a Thon on Outlet Trail:** This will be held on Saturday September 16, 2017 and is a cooperative venture by Penn Yan Rotary led by Bob Shrader, Habitat Technologies Solutions for the Congo represented by Leon and the Friends of the Outlet represented by Gwen Chamberlain to walk the Outlet and share proceeds one third each. Diane moved that Penn Yan Rotary support this venture, second by Tom. Motion approved.

**Interact:** Patrick noted Interact met this past Sunday and was down 3 members because of weather. They will be visiting the Yates County Jail and Court House on March 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>. On March 14<sup>th</sup>, they

will come to Penn Yan Rotary's meeting. On that date Rotaract, Interact and Rotary will hold a joint meeting at Top of the Lake at noon.

**Rotaract:** Mary Ellen reported that the Rotaract Executive team will meet on Thursday February 16, 2017 in the Corning Room from 6 to 7 p.m. to plan for Can Hunger. On February 23, 2017 they will have a full club meeting in the Corning Room from 6 to 7 p.m.

**Community Service:** Sandie and Mary Ellen are chairs. They are working to make Can Hunger a reality. In lieu of doing Celebrate Service, Celebrate Yates, Interact, Rotaract and Penn Yan Rotarians will work on the gardens at Clinton Crest Manor on April 30<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m.

**DSG "benches":** Don distributed a spreadsheet attached with financials related to this project. The eight benches Penn Yan Rotary had submitted as a DSG are nearly complete and ready to go for the powder coating to be applied before the Trex can be installed. Don had proposed that \$500 be taken from the funds donated by the PYA Class of 2016 and then the club put in another \$38 and write a check to the Friends of the Outlet for any remaining funds from the \$3000 donation. Penn Yan Rotary would pay for all the frame material purchased from Floyd Hoover. Diane proposed that Mr. Hoover rebill the material so that PY Rotary only pay tax on their portion since the Friends of the Outlet are tax exempt. The Village of Penn Yan will install the Rotary benches and pay for the necessary concrete which is a cost savings to us. The Friends of the Outlet will have to buy or find a source of concrete for their benches.

Bob Smith moved that the budget be extended by \$100 after the steel is rebilled, then Sue, Treasurer be authorized to write a check for the net amount to the Friends of the Outlet to complete their benches. Second by Tom. Motion approved.

Diane suggested that our club make an effort to be present when the Rotary benches are placed in order to thank the students. That may be scheduled over spring break.

Friends of the Outlet are taking pizza to the shop for the students on February 15, 2017.

**Vocational Service:** Rob asked for opinions of the role of Vocational service, how it can be good for the community, career development and literacy. Stacy suggested that it might work with both Interact and Rotaract as mentors and sources of information on vocations and career paths. Mary Ellen asked if the club might ask each member to note their educational path and careers in which they have worked. Diane suggested perhaps Jackie as membership chair might be willing to get that process started. Sue noted that she was contacted by Kari DeWick as part of the economic development program to speak at the academy regarding her career path. Diane suggested Kari as a potential Rotary member. She will be starting at LNB as mortgage originator.

**Arbor Day:** Rob and Carol will figure this out. Tom has supplies in his basement. Tom spoke to the evolution of Arbor Day. It is not really practical to give out 3 trees to each third grader as many are unable to even plant their tree. Perhaps a tree could be planted at a selected location...school.

**Foundation:** Tom distributed copies of the Rotary Club of Penn Yan Foundation Policies for each Board member to review. There is an annual obligation to review these policies and officially adopt them by our club. Sue moved that we approve and adopt these, second by Don. Motion approved.

**Club Officers 2017-2018:**

<b>President</b>	Leon Fontier	<b>President Elect</b>	Bob Smith
<b>VP</b>	open	<b>Treasurer</b>	Tom May/Stacy Wyant
<b>Secretary</b>	Diane Krans		

Leon is working on other chairs on a one to one basis.

**Conflict of Interest:** Tom passed out the Conflict of Interest policy. Very straight forward: The Four Way Test. Bob moved it be accepted as written, second by Mary Ellen. Motion approved.

**Purchasing policy:** Tom passed out a Purchasing policy. It was read aloud by Tom. Rob moved that it be approved, second by Oakleaf. Motion approved.

**Dues:** Tom distributed a spreadsheet showing income and administrative expenses. Rotary International is increasing dues \$4 next year. Without raising dues are club will be short \$13.44 per member. Diane moved that we go up the \$175, second by Bob. Don suggested just \$10 increase. Stacy said Onseyawa dues may also soon go up. Diane noted the Treasurer and Secretary stipend is still at \$150 and should be considered. Motion approved to go to \$175/year.

**Membership:** Mary Ellen said our process for induction of new members is too slow. She signed the form well in advance of Janelle's induction. It will be looked at by the co Presidents.

**Flights of Fancy:**

- ⊗ Next week Bob will hand out six tickets to each member. Each number has been recorded and every member will need to return the dollars or tickets. For those unable to sell them they might be able to help out in another way and be directed to members who already sold them and see if they have need of more tickets to sell.
- ⊗ David asked why an advertisement popped up on his computer for a Food and Wine Festival in Watkins Glen on May 20<sup>th</sup>. He said our event was not even listed. Carol said we have a Save the Date on Facebook and in March, April and May we will have hard ads.
- ⊗ Carol reported there are 14 wineries signed up. Four that are not coming back are Anthony Road, Fulkerson, Hazlitt and Monello. They are still pursuing other wineries.
- ⊗ Food vendors need a follow up...we need to have eight.

**Paul Harris Award:** John asked how many Paul Harris awards can be presented this year. He said he usually works with Tom. Rob asked if we ever do other than Rotarians. It was suggested we should honor John Kriese. Diane asked John to talk with Jeff.

**Correspondence:**

- ⊗ **Boys State:** Request to support a candidate. Diane moved that we not support this, second by Oakleaf. Motion approved.
- ⊗ **Literacy Volunteers:** A request to financially to support Literacy Volunteers and Yates and Ontario. Table for Executive committee advice.
- ⊗ **Operation Graduation:** Mary Ellen moved that we donate \$100, second by Leon. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned 9:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Diane G. Krans

Secretary