

**Penn Yan Rotary Club**  
**Board Meeting September 13, 2016 Minutes**

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

**Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve the August 2, 2016 meeting minutes was made by Stacy, second by Rob. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sue passed around the YTD Profit and Loss report noting that \$669.82 of expenses are not included as she wants to clarify where they should be categorized in QuickBooks. In addition, Lyons National Bank assets total \$18,087 with the restricted fund at Community Bank with a balance of \$7,434.58. Diane moved the Treasurer's Report be approved, second by Stacy. Motion carried.

**Executive Committee:** Sandi suggested the creation of an Executive Committee that would facilitate the flow of communication and address issues throughout the year, making recommendations to the Board. The committee would include the Past President, President, President Elect, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Diane moved that the Penn Yan Rotary Club create an Executive Committee including the President, President Elect, Vice President, Immediate Past President, Secretary and Treasurer. Second by Bob Smith. Motion carried.

**Nominations Committee:** Our club needs to fill the positions of President elect, Club Service, Onseyawa Representative and YEX Director. Jeff moved that the Executive Committee handle this task. Second by Bob Smith. Motion carried.

**Policy Development:** Stacy moved that signing of contracts be a function of the Board and the whole Board vote on them, and any time affiliation or ownership presents a conflict it must be disclosed prior to commitment to purchase or contract. Second by Diane. Motion carried. Mary Ellen stated that the Board needs to be aware of everything going on.

**Flights of Fancy:** Rob and Carol met with Mike Linehan of the Chamber who said they the Chamber would again commit to cover the promotions expense for the event. The date of the event is a concern. There is no tourism potential to host the event on Mother's Day weekend. Also, the District 7120 Conference is the following weekend thus a conflict for our own club members who will attend and other Rotarians who came last year. Carol noted that the Lions club and the Friend of the Outlet will help out at the event.

Sandi asked John about what he knew about us getting a grant from the Tourism Council this year. Rob is going to ask for \$10,000. It was agreed after a discussion that Mike often says what you want to hear but the Board has yet to meet and decide.

Jeff moved that May 20<sup>th</sup> , 2016 be the date for Flights of Fancy, as a fundraising event. Second by Bob Smith.

Discussion:

- ⊗ Bob Smith noted that attendance at District events such as the conference should be strongly encouraged.
- ⊗ Leon noted this should take the place of the auction.
- ⊗ Carol said members need to put effort in to make this work.
- ⊗ Jeff said if not we may have to resurrect the auction next year and no one should commit to give it away to another club.
- ⊗ Rob asked to amend the motion to say the “only” fundraising event. Revision not accepted.
- ⊗ Tom said this is a transition year for the club.
- ⊗ Sue noted that if this motion passes we as a Board and Club must stand behind this event.
- ⊗ Diane asked that request for help not turn to bullying. After more discussion Rob’s amendment was removed.

**VOTE:** Motion approved as written above.

**Membership:** Jackie and Bob Shrader will attend the District Membership training on Saturday on behalf of Penn Yan Rotary. A letter of resignation was received from Tina and Steve Miller. Corporate Memberships are still progressing thanks to Jackie and Sue’s efforts.

**Youth Service:** Stacy thanked the Executive Committee for trying to find a YEX director, but noted that even if a YEX director can not be found at this time, the program will only not occur during the year there is no one in the role and then can be resurrected another year. Sona Dobronova arrived and is with the Gifford family. She ran in a triathlon in Canandaigua and won. She loves to swim, run and bike.

Bob Smith said the Interact meeting had to be moved from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month to September 25, 2016. They will have a “make your own sundae” event in an effort to get non members to come. The meeting will be at The Living Well at 7:00 p.m. Please let Patrick Tolbert know if you will attend so there is plenty of ice cream and toppings. Homecoming is October 8, 2016.

Tom noted that since Tina and Steve have resigned Rotaract will need new advisors. Son Sonny Yang is the official Keuka College Advisor and for now Mary Ellen will serve in the club advisor role.

**Community Service:** On September 24<sup>th</sup> the Penn Yan Public Library will hold a Reading on the Outlet Story Walk and Rotary members will be helping out. There will be the opportunity to help with educational games, paint faces and help with food. Sarah Crevelling will be at today’s noon meeting if you wish to sign up.

Jorgen suggested doing adopt a highway also on the 24<sup>th</sup> but the Board agreed that would be too much, so he will be asked to schedule a different date.

**International Service:** Leon is going to develop an International program with the first step recruiting members for this committee. Jeff offered to be on that committee.

**Thoughts from Saturday's:** Leon found a Mission/Vision statement which Sandi read aloud: *The vision/mission of the Penn Yan Rotary Club is to provide a fellowship of inspired business, professional and civic leaders with exceptional opportunities for leadership development, humanitarian and community service, while promoting integrity, understanding and goodwill on a local, national and worldwide basis.* David moved that the Penn Yan Rotary adopt the amended wording: "The Mission of the Penn Yan Rotary Club is to provide fellowship of inspired business, professional and civic leaders with exceptional opportunities for leadership, humanitarian and community service, while promoting integrity, understanding and goodwill on a local, national and worldwide basis. Second by Leon. Motion approved.

**Correspondence:**

- ⊗ Tom gave Sue membership dues.
- ⊗ District Literacy seminar announcement: Ryan is attending.

**Miscellaneous:**

- ⊗ The next Board meeting will be on October 18, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.
- ⊗ Stacy said the PYCSD asked if Rotary would pay for a uniform for a BOCES student. It was taken care of elsewhere, but good to know that we are a resource the school turns to for help.
- ⊗ Sue met the mother of an Onseyawa camper who thanked Rotary for the camp for their middle school child and respite it provided for the family.
- ⊗ Diane mentioned she would like Rotary to partner with other community groups when doing projects.
- ⊗ Leon appreciated the good press recently.
- ⊗ David Graham said he learned that Sona needed a physical and Stacy paid \$144 to cover the expense. That doctor is on retainer from the PYCSD and the District should have paid the bill. It makes him angry that the doctor did that.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m. following a motion by Dave Hoffman, second by Leon; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted  
Diane G. Krans  
Secretary