

## **St. Simons Island Rotary Club**

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

**November 29, 2016**

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of St. Simons Island was held at Sea Palms Conference Center on November 29, 2016. The meeting convened at 11:30AM with a quorum present, with President Paul Pieschel presiding and Robbie Strange, Secretary.

**Members Present:** Paul Pieschel, David Boland, Beth Smith, Jennifer Broadus, Merry Tipton, Te Turner, Phil Viviani, Larry Daugherty, and Robbie Strange.

President Paul called the meeting to order.

#### **Approval of minutes:**

The minutes of the October 25 meeting were presented. **Merry Tipton offered a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25 meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Te Turner. Motion carried.**

#### **Financials:**

Denny Silva reported the club had around \$19k in cash, very few liabilities and was overall in good financial shape. Denny noted meals were higher than normal b/c of a payment due to Sea Island for a disputed summer meeting. Denny mentioned the biggest reason the club was running below budget was because of lack of timely dues payments.

Denny presented the following Financial Reports: Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of October 31, 2016; Statement of Revenue and Expenses for the one month ended October 31, 2016 and Four Months Ended October 31, 2016 ; Statement of Revenue and Expenses Budget vs Actual July through October 31, 2016. **Te Turner offered a motion to approve the Financials as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Boland Motion carried.**

Denny also presented the new Aging Summary report through November 1, which showed about \$16k in outstanding dues. David acknowledged about \$6k had come in since the report was generated, bringing the outstanding balance to around \$10k. Paul was going to work on some members to bring that number down.

#### **Reports from Club Directors:**

**Membership:** Larry Daugherty noted the Membership Committee recently met to finalize a proposal on the Corporate Membership plan. Highlights of the plan included a \$250 quarterly fee + \$50 for each additional member added and the club would allow a retroactive membership.

Te asked how Rotary International would count the members, i.e., if corporate membership had 3 members, how would R.I. count the members? Discussion ensued with ranging topics including model clubs across the country, additional fees, incorporation of additional members into the club, etc...

The board ultimately decided to hold off on the idea of a corporate membership until a later date. The board thanked Larry and the Membership Committee for their tireless work on the Corporate Membership plan.

**Meet the Pro's:** - Jennifer indicated Meet the Pro's was a rousing success. All totaled 203 tickets were distributed with 24 of those provided to our sponsors, leaving sales of 179 tickets, many of which were sold to non-members, significantly higher than recent years. Jennifer noted the following figures:

- \$11k in Ticket Sales
- \$10k in Auction Sales
- \$18k in Sponsorship Money
- **\$39,700 +/- in total Revenue from the event.**

Jennifer noted total expenses would likely be in the neighborhood of \$18k and indicated she was not prepared to give an official final net income; however, she was hopeful an announcement could come at the next week's meeting.

**Charitable Giving:** Jennifer made a motion; **"Pending the healthy standing of the club in the Fourth Quarter, and since there was no regular meeting on the day of Meet the Pro's, the Club will contribute the lunch fee of \$1,332 for that day to our Charitable Giving Fund."** 2<sup>nd</sup> by Merry Tipton. **Motion Carried.**

**New Members-** Paul informed the board Natasha Williams met all the qualifications of a new member application; therefore, he submitted a request to the board to approve the application of Natasha Williams as a new member. **Beth Smith offered a motion to approve Natasha as a new member of the club; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Te Turner. Motion Carried.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Time Applications:** Paul noted to the board the applications of four (4) potential members were being announced for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in weekly spray. **Te Turner made a motion to approve them as new members contingent on the completion of Club Orientation. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Daugherty. Motion Carried.**

- Rebecca (Susie) Curtis
- Leslie Mattingly
- Elliot (Mike) Gumaer
- Bonnie Turner

**L.O.A:** Paul noted he had two (2) requests for Three Month Leave of Absence. **Denny Silva made a motion to approve the LOA requests; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beth Smith. Motion Carried.**

- Casey Harris (upcoming birth of her child)
- Mike Flores (out of the area)

#### **New Business:**

Paul informed the board District Governor, Pam Lightsey will be present at the next board meeting and wanted the meeting to be dedicated to her as the District Governor. Lightsey requested reports from each committee head with updates and progress on their respective committees. Due to time overflow, it was suggested the meeting to begin at 11:00. Paul said that was a good idea and he would inform the board of the time change.

Discussion ensued on what to do with the respective flags the club receives as gifts from numerous guests of the club, including the national flags of the GSRP students. Paul was hopeful we could figure out a solution to display the flags at the weekly meetings.

Paul also mentioned he would look into researching and storing info / data for some of the Club's past history.

**An email was sent to the Board on Nov. 7 to approve John Kilgallon as a new member. All members voted for approval.**

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:26 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for 11:00 AM, Tuesday December 20 at the Sea Palms Conference Center.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

Rotary Club of St. Simons Island

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Date of Approval