

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

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

**February 16, 2021**

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of St. Simons Island was held at Sea Palms Conference Center and via Zoom on February 16, 2021. The meeting convened at 11:10 AM with a quorum present, with President Beverly Trainor presiding and Robbie Strange, Secretary.

**Members Present:** Beverly Trainor, Joe Leek, Beth Smith; Pam Hamilton, Te Turner, Kern Baker, Dick James, Tate Simpson Mike Murphy, James Sexton, Malcolm Jones, Janice LaMattina and Robbie Strange.

**Guests:** Drew Holland

President Beverly called the meeting to order.

**Minutes: A motion to approve the Board Minutes from the January meeting was offered by Te Turner; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Beth Smith. Motion Carried.**

#### **Financials:**

**Operating Account:** Te Turner provided handouts to the Board and stated the club was in pretty good shape. The club has \$7,500 in the Operating Acct and we are on track with the budget.

**Charitable Account:** Te indicated the club has slightly over \$21k in the Charitable Account and he is hoping we can contribute \$4k to the Puerto Rico global grant.

**Flag / Brick:** We have around \$5,600 in the F/B account.

**Dues:** Continue to look positive.

#### **The Financials were approved by the Board**

#### **Membership:**

- **New Members:**
  - Dr. Bill Abbate: **A motion to approve Dr. Abbate as a new member was offered by James Sexton; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Te Turner. Motion Carried.**
  - Ryan Moore: **A motion to approve Ryan as a new member was offered by James Sexton; 2<sup>nd</sup> from Kern Baker. Motion Carried**
- **Returning Member:**
  - John Hofmann: **Te Turner offered a motion to approve Jon as a returning member; 2<sup>nd</sup> from James Sexton. Motion Carried.**
- **Resignations:**
  - Josh Carr: Work Related Resignation.

#### **Charitable Outreach:**

- Tate mentioned the application was now on-line and he sent the link out to over 30 prior applicants.
- Janice indicated she will put a blurb in the newspaper reminding people about the applications.

**Fellowship / Programs:**

- Programs booked into May
- Te spoke with Avery Brooks about promoting meetings through Golden Isles TV.
- Linda Muir will present about Reading Rockets on March 23.
- Scholarship Awards set for May 4.
- Charitable Awards set for May 18.

**Special Projects:**

- Successful Packing at MAP International. They were able to pack 750 bags. Dick indicated he would be looking at another event in a couple months.
- February 24<sup>th</sup>: 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest where we will help pass out groceries.

**Scholarship Awards:**

- Drew Holland noted the scholarship fund was financially sound with roughly \$867k in the corpus. Presently, there are 18 students on scholarships with 5 graduating this spring.
- Drew indicated we have an outflow of \$32k-38k in yearly scholarships with an annual income of \$32k.
- We are increasing from an annual \$2k scholarship to a \$3k annual scholarship and the application process is online only.

**Other Business:**

- **Community Image Awards:** Beth reached out to Bob Brown and he will be getting her his files from previous years.
- **Rotary Cares:** Beverly will reach out to Anna K and Allison to help out with Rotary Cares going forward.
- **2021 / 2022:** Joe and Beverly spoke and indicated a desire to keep grants local for next year and they want to have a focus on getting members back to meetings.
- **Q4 Dues:** The club is spending \$300 / wk by keeping meetings at Sea Palms. Club may look into a change in venue with catered lunches and see how that works out.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:22 PM. The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for 11:00 on March 16, 2021. Meeting will be a hybrid session at a place to be determined later and with anyone not wishing to attend, Zoom will be available.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

Rotary Club of St. Simons Island

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Date of Approval