

St. Simons Island Rotary Club

Board of Directors Meeting

January 10, 2023

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of St. Simons Island was held at Edward Jones office, 3409 Frederica Road on January 10, 2023. The meeting convened at 10:45 AM with a quorum present, with President Tate Simpson presiding and Secretary, Pamela Hamilton, providing minutes..

Members Present: James Sexton, Robbie Strange, Tate Simpson, Joe Leek, Beverly Trainor, Pamela Hamilton, Jonna Kerrigan, Chip Lewis, Kern Baker, Becky Farrow, Hamsa Thota.

President Tate called the meeting to order.

A motion to approve the Board Minutes from the December 13 meeting was offered by Joe Leek. 2nd from Chip Lewis. Motion Carried.

Financials: Robbie Strange:

- Robbie reported that >\$3,000 was owing for membership dues.
- Charitable account will have approx. \$30,000 to distribute, withholding approximately \$15,000 of current balance – \$10,000 is earmarked and \$5,000 will be held in reserve.

A motion to approve the distribution of up to \$30,000 from the charitable account, withholding \$5,000 was offered by Robbie Strange. 2nd from James Sexton. Motion Carried.

- Operating accounts are in good shape. Net income is approx. \$45,000. Discussion ensued to transfer to Money Market fund to earn greater interest.

A motion to engage Beverly to place income into an investment account, was offered by James Sexton. 2nd from Robbie Strange. Motion Carried.

- Members' dues in arrears were discussed: Mark Podlin has acknowledged his dues owing – and confirmed he has LOA status.

A motion was offered by Joe Leek to accept the Financials as presented. 2nd Kern Baker. Motion carried.

Rotary Foundation/International: Chip Lewis gave our Club Foundation Report, as recorded by Rotary International. All-Time giving to the Rotary Foundation from members of St. Simons Island Rotary is \$601,040.

Communications: Debbie Britt has tendered her resignation. Someone to fill this position is to be identified.

Fellowship: Kern Baker organized SSI Rotary Club Happy Hour - Ember on January 10, 4:30–6:30 pm.

Reading Rockets: A Recognition Program is being organized for March to recognize readers. More volunteer readers are needed. Readers are back in schools again in person. No more videos.

Hamsa Thota announced 3 **Global Grant Opportunities** – in Azerbaijan, Kosovo and Bulgaria. Hamsa will organize funds and will be the primary contact.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11.52 a.m.. The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for 11:00 AM on February 14, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

_Pamela Hamilton_____

Secretary

Rotary Club of St. Simons Island

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Date of Approval