

# OKM Rotary Board Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> January 2016

**Attendees:** Lois, Laurie, Monika, Ross, Steve, Howard, Chris, Iain

**Apologies:** Irma

## **Minutes:**

**1. Call to order and confirmation of agenda**

**2. Review of November Board meeting minutes:**

The November Board meeting minutes were reviewed with the only additional recommendation being as follows:

The recipient of the COBS \$1500.00 award will be selected by the usual committee - Steve Wolfenden, Howard Peat, John McCormack with the Rob Mellander being invited to join their committee this year.

**3. Treasurer's report:**

Our club remains in extremely good financial health as outlined in detail by Monika.

**4. Secretary's report:**

We are up to date with Rotary International and District 5060 with 19 Active and 3 Honorary members. Our Honorary members should have their status reviewed before the end of this Rotary year. Ross recommended and the Board approved the purchase of a giant-sized reusable cheque for us to display our charitable \$ contributions - for photographs etc.

**5. Rotary Radio Days project:**

This project is now under way with our goal of raising at least \$10,000.00 this year. The script for the Rotary portion of the Ad's will be edited by Steve.

**6. Trivia night 2016 :**

The date is October 21<sup>st</sup> and the Mission Hall has been booked for that evening. The cost of renting the Hall was discussed and will probably be dealt with as in 2015 with a combination of donation and rental fee. Lois reported that Mohini Singh has agreed to be one of our judges for our 2016 Trivia event. A very good start on next year's project!

**7. District Conference in Yakima:**

The dates are 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May in Yakima. All members who can make the trip will be encouraged to go. Our thanks to DG Greg for his consideration regarding the Canadian \$ being accepted at "par" for registration.

**8. Salvation Army Kettles:**

The club members manned the Save-On kettle as planned during the Christmas Season. We will receive a report from the SA in due course on how our kettle effort contributed.

**9. Club Goals for 2015 – 2016:**

We are going to encourage all members to volunteer for the "Read Team" at the Casorso Elementary School, and it was agreed that this would be a very worthy "hands-on" project. It was also agreed that we should support this program by

purchasing books as proposed by John McMahon at \$15.00 per package. Monika will circulate a sign-up sheet to the membership asking for those who want to participate both as volunteers and by purchasing books.

Laurie also brought to the Board an excellent proposal that we might participate in constructing community gardens. Laurie will bring details to our next meeting for the club to consider. Laurie also recommended we invite Archdeacon Chris Ross to talk to our club on the "Homeless support" program she facilitates as our club may be interested in being involved.

**10. Club Growth strategy:**

We will plan on implementing our own version of the "New member welcome kits" offered by RI. This will include a personal letter from the President, a membership card etc.

**11. Fellowship on the Fifth event 29<sup>th</sup>:**

Location and theme to be decided, but will definitely happen!

**12. Robbie Burns event:**

As significant number of our members will be absent, we will encourage more guests to be invited to attend.

**13. Rotary Leadership Institute:**

Marie-Yvonne Cleaver has registered for the three RLI meetings this coming Spring. We will offer to reimburse her for the registration fees – half before the meetings and half when she has completed the courses. We need to be aware as a Board in advance of any members intentions to attend these important seminars so we can include the \$ in our annual budget.

**14. Club PE and Board nominations for 2016-2017 Rotary Year:**

We will not be sending our PE to Pets this year as Irma attended last year, and in addition has attended three RLI seminars in the Fall. Once we have identified our 2016-2017 PE they will be advised they must attend the 2017 Seattle PETS program. Several candidates were discussed for 2016-2017 PE, and an alternate strategy was proposed by Ross. He will explore that avenue and report back to the next Board meeting.

**15. Future Speakers/Events:**

Carli Gruber Exchange student - February 9th,  
Ken Kilcullen: Valentines Event "The Newly Wed Game" February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Reach Out Youth Services – March 14th  
Mayor Basran - March 29<sup>th</sup>

**16. Foundation and New Generations Committee:**

As per our previous minutes we anticipated distributing further \$ once our net proceeds from Rotary /Radio Days have been calculated, with CMHA and "Reach Out" Youth Services being prime candidates for our support.

**17. Interclub projects:**

We have been asked to help contribute towards the registration expense for the Rotaract PE to attend PETS. Our club will be glad to join with the other clubs in supporting Rotaract in this way.

**18. Date of next meeting:**

Next Board meeting will be Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**19. Adjournment**