

Meeting Minutes for 23rd July 2018

Attendees: 14 members and one guest

Greeter: Trixie Gaymer

Prior to the meeting beginning we were delighted by a visit from **Ken Firkins** who has been unable to make quite a few of our recent meetings. Ken couldn't stay but wanted to say Hi to everyone!

The meeting was convened at 6.00 p.m. precisely by **Vice President John McCormack** as Acting President for Ken Kilcullen who could not attend this meeting.

Neil McKay led a rousing "Oh Canada" anthem followed by an inspirational Rotary moment from Steve Wolfenden.

One guest was in attendance – **Marvyn Baker** – a visiting Rotarian from the Ogopogo club.

Vice President John: reported on **President Ken's** most recent Area President's meeting with the following comments:

"The first meeting of the area Presidents took place on July 16th. Some discussion about working closer together and sharing in larger project between the clubs, like Joe Anna's House. Also, more discussion about Area Directories. Still surveying the clubs but most leaning toward electronic solution (club runner)"

Discussion regarding the area directories resulted in the membership agreeing that digital directories accessible via our website or the Club Runner was preferable.

"Just in... DG Sherry is doing her first pass at Club Visits at the end of August and wants us to look in to organizing a "Club Social" the evening of Wednesday, August 29th. Rather than the more formal event, they're thinking of a more family-focussed picnic-type gathering. Is there any interest in attending? (survey members)"

The membership felt that a midweek meeting would risk poor attendance and voted unanimously to request that DG Sherry attend our August 27th meeting as originally planned. It was also felt that the setting at Creekside offered us a relaxed informal atmosphere and we would prefer to hold our meeting there.

Treasurer Ross:

Reported on the Meat Draw. Last Saturday our club was well represented – many thanks to all who attended and it continues to be a big success. It was felt by the membership than **Darlene Spagnol** should be recognized for her stalwart and conscientious contribution to our club with the resultant significant financial contribution that the Meat Draw generates. **Steve Wolfenden** proposed and **Lois Serwa** seconded a motion to award Darlene with an **Honorary Membership**; and this, after due discussion, was approved by the meeting.

Upcoming Important Dates:

Please put the following dates in your diary -

- 1) **Fellowship on the 5th – Monday July 30th** – meet on the deck at Creekside. Please confirm attendance with President Ken by this Friday so Daniel has an idea of numbers. All spouses are warmly welcome.
- 2) **District Governor coming August 27th**

Installation Ceremony for Samoya:

Acting President John then called on **Marie Yvonne Cleaver** to introduce our newest member **Samoya Marlie** for her installation as a fully fledged member of our club. This was conducted by both Marie-Yvonne – as Samoya’s sponsor – and our **Membership Chair, Laurie Gaymer**. Laurie eloquently performed the Installation with due ceremony. A brief bio for Samya follows for those of you who were not present:

Samoya Marlie grew up in the Bahamas. In 2008 she came to Kelowna as a student at the Okanagan College. She completed her associate of arts degree there. Samoya is married, with a beautiful daughter; Destiny. She is currently employed at Scotiabank as customer service rep. When she is not working you’ll find Samoya enjoying the outdoors and reading. She was recently accepted into Thompson’s River University where she intends to complete her Bachelor Degree in Social Work. Helping people is Samoya’s passion and she is joining the Rotary Club to continue to pursue that passion. Her Classification will be Banking

Welcome Samoya!

Meeting Adjourned for Dinner.

Special General Meeting:

Treasurer Ross then convened a Special General Meeting of the club at 6.55 p.m.:

This meeting was called to amend our Constitution and Bylaws in accordance with the new BC Societies Act. The necessary resolutions had been circulated to the membership as directed by the Act, but required amendments to the dates, and these were duly performed.

Two resolutions were put to the membership present:

- 1) Resolved to revoke the existing Bylaws in their entirety and adopt the new Bylaws presented as The Bylaws of our club (Society)
Proposed by Howard Peet and Seconded by Laurie Gaymer

Carried unanimously

- 2) Resolved that a Constitutional Alteration will be filed cancelling the existing Constitution and the New Constitution will be adopted as the Constitution of the club.
Proposed by Laurie Gaymer and Seconded by Monika Grimmer.

Carried unanimously

The Special General Meeting was adjourned at 7.05 p.m.

Lois Serwa then performed her duty as our Sherriff with compassion, followed by our usual Happy/Sad dollars, the draw (won by Monika who also got the BIG \$) and our traditional Toast from Past President Laurie – Peace to all the World.

Meeting Adjourned at 7.15 p.m.

Next meeting: August 13th Gayle Voyer from Blood Donor Clinic