ROTARY CLUB OF CARLETON PLACE AND MISSISSIPPI MILLS

MINUTES: 2021 May 18

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| Location | Online Meeting via Microsoft Teams |  |
| Attendees | Wayne Brunton, Mike Jeays, Marion Reilly, Dave Cousineau, Kathy Cousineau, Randy Dudding, Deen Dudding, Shelley Smith, Carman Carroll. |  |
| Time | **Call to order**: 6:30 pm |  |
| Item 1 | --- |  |
| Item 2 | President Wayne welcomed Club members to the meeting. |  |
| Item 3 | **Virtual Happy Dollars**: More vaccinations for members, families and friends were noted. Marion’s son-in-law is now in remission which is excellent news.Wayne reported that Becky has had to resign from the Club but she is most willing to join the list of “Friends” of the Club. While we regret the loss of members, we are fortunate to have a good number of “Friends” who are available to help us with Club projects, outreach, etc. There was a discussion as to how we might gather with our friends once things open up. A picnic in the park or other types of social gathering could help us thank our friends, let them our plans for the coming year and seek their support as required. With so few actual members it is critical that we have a core group of friends to help us with our regular projects.  |  |
| Item 4 | **Meeting Minutes, 4 May 2021**: Approved as presented. |  |
| Item 5 | **Agenda**: Approved as presented. |  |
| Item 6 | **Call for Volunteers for Rapid Testing Sites**: Thanks to Deen and Randy for volunteering to help out with this important initiative. |  |
| Item 7 | **Discussion Item – DGE Fay Campbell’s request for major Club activities and projects**: Wayne has sent along a list of our anticipated projects for the year. We should send quarterly updates to Fay and to AG Cora as well so they are apprised of our major projects during the year. | President/Secretary to report quarterly to Fay and Cora |
| Item 8 | **Vote on District Budget, 2021-2022**: The draft budget had been circulated to members beforehand. **MOTION**: Motion to approved accepted unanimously (Marion/Mike) |  |
| Item 9 | **Vote on District Youth Exchange Budget:** The draft budget had been circulated to members beforehand. **MOTION**: Motion to approved accepted unanimously (Mike/Shelley) |  |
| Item 10 | **Fundraising Form**: There was a brief discussion on Shelley’s draft form. It was agreed that we would simply table this draft until such time we are able to use it. We will then be in a better position to determine the form’s contents. | Shelley |
| Item 11 | **Update on Club Email Distribution List**: This list is kept separate from our members’ listing and is easy to use and update as needed.  |  |
| Item 12 | **Roadside Cleanup**: This is on hold until things open up. |  |
| Item 13 | **CP Farmers’ Market**: Carman is awaiting a response. We should see about selling our 50/50 Tickets at the Farmers’ Market on the Saturday we plan to have our community table. | Carman |
| Item 14 | **Club Treasurer Update**: Mike reported that things are pretty much the same as last reported. There is still one high school scholarship cheque to be cashed. Mike attended the online District Treasurers’ training session and he found it worthwhile. He noted that some clubs have a formal audit of their books each year, which costs approximately $2,000-$3,000. We agreed that we do not need to go to this length. The practice of having the Treasurer sign cheques and then have one confirming member is the most acceptable practice. **MOTION**: That this current practice of managing our finances be continued. Unanimously accepted. (Mike/Dave)  | Mike |
| Item 15 | **Club Secretary Update**: Acting Secretary Carman had nothing to report. Wayne noted that Deb had some Club records to be passed along so our new 2021-2022 Secretary Randy will get in touch with Deb to transfer this material. Both Deb and Mike have the key to our Post Office mail and Randy will get the key from Deb as well.  | Randy |
| Item 16 | **Membership**: The loss of Becky as a member is regrettable; however, we are very happy she is keen to remain an active volunteer. |  |
| Item 17 | **Social Media Committee**: Shelley reported that we have over 500 Facebook followers and we get regular “likes” on the site. We were happy to get very good coverage about the Mayor speaking to our Club on 4 May and to his honorary membership in our Club.  |  |
| Item 18 | **District Training**: Training will continue on the 17th of each month up to and including August.  |  |
| Item 19 | **Club Planning**: it was suggested that we devote the next several meetings planning for 2021-2022 Rotary Year which starts on 1 July. **50/50 Tickets**: Dave asked if we might consider online this year given the success of the Legion’s weekly Catch the Ace draw. More information is needed on how this might be done and the costs associated with it. Furthermore, how can we be different enough from other ticket sales to make our draw worthwhile?  |  |
| Item 20 | **Other business**: In light of Wally Thorbjornsson’s death, Dave suggested we make a donation in his name to a local charity. He helped us out with our sale of roses by providing a free space to sort and package the roses for distribution. **MOTION**: To send a card and donation of $50 to an appropriate charity in Wally’s name. Unanimously approved (Dave/Mike) |  |
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| Next Meeting | 1 June 2021 at 6:30 pm. |  |
| Adjourned | The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. |  |
| Approval of Minutes | Carman Carroll, Acting Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Minutes Adopted:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |