

Vinings Cumberland Rotary Club Board Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2022

Todd Ash - Meeting called to order – 10:34 AM

Attendance

- In person: Todd, Ted, Shawn, Ray, Anne, Terri, Betty, Matt, Brant
- Virtual: Andy

Todd - Open Meeting / Lunch venue update

- Waverly Hotel option for new meeting location fell through, they were going to add \$15 per vehicle for parking, putting total cost at \$50 per person per meeting. We are exploring Sheraton and Marriott properties as additional options.
- Discussion around various other potential venue options. Carriage House discussed as a potential caterer at the Cobb Chamber, \$22 per person, in addition to the \$1,000 per month we pay the Chamber for the meeting space.
- The search will continue for potential venues and caterers.
- Discussion around need to charge members for lunch every week.

Matt Jarrard - approve last month board minutes / Foundation update

- Motion to approve February board meeting minutes, Todd seconds the motion, motion passes.
- We hit our Foundation giving goal, exceeding \$10,000. Thanked everyone for their support of the Foundation this year.

Terri Hilderhoff - District Conference / District Assembly

- Reminded the Board of the district conference registration deadline for 3/20 before price increases. She has requested a hospitality suite. Currently around 13 members and guests are registered.
- Ted suggested partnering with another nearby club to go in together for a hospitality suite.
- Planning on hosting a birthday party for Tony in the hospitality suite on Saturday.
- District Assembly – Betty and Terri will attend, Saturday 3/26 in Columbus GA.

Anne Hudgins - Local Projects

- Exploring charities to support outside of the run for the kids race grants. 4 charities had been identified: arts bridge, breakthrough, kate's club, and Campbell high school wrestling. \$2k to all except Campbell wrestling which would be \$1k.
- Anne makes a motion to approve funding for these 4 organizations at the levels discussed, Betty seconds the motion, motion approved.
- April 2nd Good Samaritan Garden work day, Neill is organizing.
- Planning a street clean up in partnership with the Vinings Civic Club. Betty to check with Civic Club and coordinate with Todd and Anne.
- Anne to check with Steve Hughes about getting first responders to return to meetings.

Brant Campbell - Paraguay / Ukraine Assistance

- Finished Paraguay water fountain project, shared photos of the project with the Board.

- Brant to send photos to Neill to include on VCR website.
- Betty to send photos to District and Brightside newspaper.
- Brant will share this info and photos with the club next week during his Take 5.
- Exploring opportunity with Buckhead Rotary Club for Ukrainian assistance, in supporting Polish and Ukrainian Rotary clubs for relief efforts. Proposed considering \$1k or \$2k gift.
- Andy advised that we had \$5k remaining to be used in the International Service budget.
- Todd suggested we continue to discuss and vote during April or May board meeting.

Shawn Bendig - Membership

- Garrett Mullins will be inducted into the club today
- David Flanders is a potential new member visiting today.
- Chuck Held also has another prospective new member that Shawn will reach out to.

Betty Smith - Public Image

- No updates on public image.
- Suggested exploring the Pavilion at Pace House as a potential meeting venue. She will inquire about costs.

Al Tanju - Club Administration

- No report

Andy Trinkle - Treasurer

- Will remove/waive outstanding balance for Judy Daniel, and club will pay her outstanding International Dues.
- Requested details from Anne for local charities voted on for where to send checks.
- Meeting with Nate to begin ramp up for Treasurer position transition.
- Todd exploring where to send donations for Jim Murphy and Judy Daniel's preferred charities.

Final comments and discussion

- Ray – race committee leaders continue to meet weekly for planning. All is going well in terms of planning and preparation.
- Terri – noted updates are being made to the Run for the Kids website.
- Ted – noted that the presidents nominating committee will now rotate/update in May. Updates also need to be made to the best practices of the club document. President nominees should be thinking of additional candidates for president to consider during our May meeting.
 - Current president succession plan for the club is: Todd – Terri – Matt – Shawn – Jolene which carries us through 2026.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:41 AM