

Rotary BOD meeting Nov.20, 2007

Members attending: Don Broyles, Mary Keely, Cheryl Rust, Diana Wilson, Laberta Salamacha, James McKee, Chet Marshall & Sam Sentelle

Members absent: Bonnie Prisk

Guests; Randy Lucas & Bob Keely

President Don Broyles call to order.

Reading and approval of BOD minutes for 10/16/07 Laberta Salamacha, secretary. Randy Lucas presented on the "Club within a Club" membership program a proven system to increase membership. More information can be obtained on the internet by going to <http://www.clubinaclub.com/basics.html>

Mary Keely discussed our clubs contribution to the Rotary Foundation. She has printed invoices and will be presenting the goals to the club at the following meeting.

James Mckee presented the treasurer's report: As of Oct 31st. the club has a balance of 14,817.97 in our bank account. There are still remaining incomes from the golf tournament that have not been received. We also have to pay Sleepy Hollow for the month of October. The treasurer's report is available upon request.

James also reported that membership dues were received from Tom Midkiff, Laquita Harris, Glenna Riggs and Herman Dixon.

The board also voted to place David Powell along with the other two members Jackie Chaney and Brad Boerger on leave.

Conference Highlights: Laberta Salamacha the Rotary District 7559 Conference was held at the Greenbrier Resort last week Nov.11 thru Nov.13th.

The Putnam County Rotary came in second place in the golf tournament. The White Sulphur Springs Rotary won. Our Rotarian Joel McDavid won the longest drive.

District Governor Tom Greenstreet and Sharon Rose, PP.Conference Chair did a good job with the coordination of the conference.

Topics includes The Shelter Box, The Choices Program, Membership, Hurricane Katrina Project, District Water Project/Ghana "The Real Rotarian", District Foundation RI foundation and Memorial Service.

Our own Mary Keely, past president, assistant district governor was nominated to become the District Governor 2010-2011.

There were many great speakers including Anne Matthews, RI Zone 33 Foundation Director, Richard D. King, Past RI President, and General Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong the Keynote speaker.

The foundation Luncheon's Master of Ceremonies was Chet Marshall our president elect.

Attending the conference helps focus on the reasons we are Rotarians. Chet Marshall gave out the schedules for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing Thursday Nov 29th. He also suggested that we invite Capt. Richards to attend the rotary meeting on the 27th to receive a check from our club.

Chet also asked for volunteers for the Basketball tournaments held by the Christian athletics at the Civic Center in Dec.

Chet pointed out that he was able to get the Putnam Rotary meeting time and place mentioned in the Metro Putnam paper.

Chet, Bob, and Mary are planning to have a dinner sometime in January for the UC women's basketball team. Members of our club will be asked to bring a covered dish. The date has yet to be decided.

Bob asked where we might place the remaining rotary benches. Scott Edwards has given us permission to place one at the Hurricane Town Hall.

Bob also discussed the simplified grant money that will be available for translators that we will be giving to the Literacy Council. We will spend 2,000 on the translators. Sam Sentelle suggested that we present the check at the Literacy Council's Christmas meeting in December. The Board agreed that it would be a good opportunity to inform the public of what Rotary is doing locally.

Bonnie Prisk was unable to attend but sent an update on the scholarship committee. She has spoken to Joshua Berletich's grandmother and asked that he contact us during his holiday break. Also, Bonnie would like to have another member or two to join the committee since we lost two members. Diana Wilson agreed to volunteer to join the committee during the board meeting.

Our treasurer James McKee is resigning due to a lot of scheduling conflicts and business duties. So, we need to find a new volunteer.

The Christmas Gift exchange will be on Dec 18.

There will be no Board meeting in Dec. If the need arises, we will contact each other by e-mail or phone.

Adjournment; Don Broyles