

Rotary Club of Putnam County  
Special Board of Directors Meeting  
February 17, 2009

Board Members Present: **President Tom Midkiff, Don Broyles, Bob Keely, Sam Sentelle, Randy Lucas, Alice Riffie, Bonnie Prisk**

Absent: **Chet Marshall, Glen Clark, Cheryl Rust**

Call to Order: **Tom Midkiff**

The Financial Report was presented by **Alice** and was approved as presented.  
Raffle Update - \$1,725 collected to date with one week before first drawing.

**Bob** gave brief update on Chet's condition as Chet remains hospitalized. **Bob** also, gave an update on the Uganda project. There are some problems with the Entebbe Uganda club since they have not satisfactorily completed previous international projects. So he made a new proposal to scale back the project (not do the woodworking portion at this time but continue with the water, sewing machines and support of Jeff at a new cost of \$3,500) since we are not able to get a District grant as originally planned. We received a \$500 check from Vandalia club towards our Uganda project. With this change to the project Chet will now need to find out if Vandalia wants to continue with our new project, wait until we get a matching grant next year or take the \$500 back? **Bob** suggested that we use some of the "remaining" \$5,000 budgeted for international projects to help with Australia relief. **Bonnie** voiced a concern about why the Entebbe Club's other international projects are incomplete? **Bob** explained the process for completing the projects and that all of the paperwork for the prior projects was not complete due to one of Entebbe club's members being in a car wreck. We are depending upon a different club member, Jeff, to coordinate our project in Uganda.

**Don** presented information about the devastating Australian fires and pointed out that they are in the area his GSE team visited. He has corresponded with GSE team coordinator there and **Don** would like District 7550 to donate between \$5,000 & \$10,000. **Randy** suggested that we make a club announcement and give our individual members an opportunity to personally donate in addition to whatever our club decides to donate. Some discussion followed of District Simplified Grants and how they are to be used and **Bob** agreed to do a DSG for our District in the \$5,000 to \$7,500 range. In order to qualify for DSG a specific project must be identified. A motion was made by **Bob** (seconded by **Sam and carried**) to identify a specific project in the \$5,000 - \$7,500 range based on the needs in Australia (District 9790) due to the fire damages and to commit \$1,000 from our club's previously budgeted international projects fund.

**Bob** made a motion (seconded by **Alice and carried**) to revise our Uganda project for 2009 to be \$3,500 as discussed above.

**Don** gave GSE report. Team from France will be in our District from April 18 to May 16 this year. We need club members to agree to house GSE team members for 2-3 nights while in our area. There will be an outgoing GSE team to Korea in November and District is seeking team members and a team leader for that trip.

Tom has three specific requests for funds from our club. The first is for YMCA Camp Horseshoe in partnership with the Tucker County Rotary. **Randy** strongly recommends this camp as he attended this leadership camp as a high school Junior. **Randy** agreed to personally match the first \$100 in club donations to this group.

A letter from Chelsea Marshall requests funds to attend the People to People Leadership Summit on International Diplomacy with five days in New York City and five more days in Washington DC.

The Girl Scouts requested \$250 for underprivileged girls in Putnam County.

**Bob** made a motion (seconded by **Sam and approved**) to donate \$500 to YMCA Camp Horseshoe, \$250 to Girl Scouts troop 2174, \$300 to People to People candidate Chelsea Marshall (with the stipulation that she speak to the club BEFORE and AFTER her trip).

Meeting was adjourned.