

Rotary Club of Putnam County
Board of Directors Meeting
March 24, 2009

Board Members Present: **Don Broyles, Bob Keely, Sam Sentelle, Randy Lucas, Alice Riffie, Cheryl Rust, Glen Clark, Chet Marshall, Bonnie Prisk**
Also attending from Club: **James McKee, Marilyn Pemberton**
Absent: **Tom Midkiff**

Call to Order: **Chet Marshall**

Alice presented financial report including update on Raffle. \$6,600 in ticket sales and only \$555 in expenses to date. Motion was made (**Bob**) and accepted (**Cheryl**) to approve financials.

Glen and **James** presented several pages of information on Attendance rules from Rotary International and from various other Rotary clubs. Briefly discussed “excused absences” and they agreed to meet and establish some actual guidelines for “excused absences” by the next Board meeting.

Mary presented an “estimated” District 7550 budget for her term as District Governor and gave an explanation of how the District budget works.. She also included estimated costs for her four years of obligations as DGN, DGE, DG, and PDG. She also explained that some of her estimated costs will be paid by Rotary International and/or District 7550. However, she will still have significant out of pocket costs during those four years. **Mary** would like to see our District pursue “corporate” sponsorships to help defray some costs of the District. Mentioned were sponsorships to cover the cost of District Directories, web site costs, training sessions or District Conference costs. It was agreed that having the DG from our club could be a public relations benefit for our club. **Mary** also stated that she didn’t want the financial support from the club to jeopardize the financial stability of the club. Bottom line, she would like the support of the club and would like our members to be involved and engaged. As to how much financial support she would like, there is no clear answer at this time. Whatever the club can do would be appreciated. **Chet** suggested a small committee to review **Mary**’s potential expenses and develop a plan for the club to help financially with those expenses. **Glen** made motion and **Alice** seconded to form a committee, headed by **Don** and including **Chet, Randy,** and **Mary**.

A question asked is club still paying for members to attend District meetings and training sessions? Yes, the club sets aside an certain amount to go towards registration fees for various training.

Tom made the comment that our club needs a “restricted” funds account so that amounts can be carried forward from one year to the next.

Meeting was adjourned.

Yours in Rotary Service,
Randy Lucas, Secretary