

**Rotary Club of Putnam County
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2013**

Board Membership

Present: Tina McComas, Glen Gibbs, Chuck Nuckles, Marilyn Pemberton, Bob Keely, and Sam Sentelle.

Absent: Steve Patrick (proxy assigned to Tina McComas), Jack Bailey, Bonnie Prisk (proxy assigned to Glen Gibbs)

Others Attending: George Six, Mary Keely

Meeting called to order at 11 a.m. by Tina McComas.

Reading and approval of minutes for previous meeting

A motion was made by Bob Keely to approve the December Board minutes with the addition of the word “projects” to “scholarships” in the description of raffle beneficiaries. The motion was seconded by Chuck Nuckles and approved by the Board.

Club Finances

Mary Keely presented the Club’s financial statements for the month December. There were only 3 meetings in December. Current bank balance is \$12,875.67. The UC banquet was cancelled so this will not be an expense this year. Glen Gibbs moved to accept the financial reports, seconded by Chuck Nuckles and approved by the Board.

Reports of Committees

Fundraising. Tina McComas delivered the report of the Fundraising Committee on behalf of Chet Marshall. To date approximately \$3,600 has been collected for the cash raffle, most of which is from some 200 tickets committed to be sold by Chet. It was confirmed that raffle winners cannot win more than once on the same ticket number, but non-winning tickets are eligible for all three drawings. George Six will post an invitation to purchase raffle tickets on DACdB. Bobby Rhyne and Bob Leslie will serve on the 5K committee. Logos, etc. from last year will be used again this year and a T-Shirt will be given to all participants.

Membership. Chuck Nuckles shared a letter written by Steve Patrick to members who are no longer attending club meetings. Tina McComas volunteered to e-mail the letter to inactive members. Chuck Nuckles recommended that the club hand out flyers to local Teays Valley/Hurricane businesses in an effort to increase membership. Use of the current tri-fold brochure was discussed by the board. The availability and use of pre-printed brochures from RI was proposed. Chuck is planning an open house in the February-March timeframe and will need to have announcements made up soon. Several new corporate member prospects were mentioned by Bob Keely.

Foundation. Bob Keely will update the club on Foundation status and activity at today’s regular club meeting. There will be a Foundation training session on Saturday, January 19, but PCR has already met training requirements and is not attending. Bob briefly discussed new grant programs from the Foundation and confirmed that PCR is qualified to participate in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013.

Scholarships. No update at this meeting.

Service Projects. Glen Gibbs announced he had learned from Shelly Marsh Hodges of Friends of Fort Liberte' that the previously discussed gift package for PCR's adopted Haiti student, Walnise St Julien, must be submitted for shipment by Saturday, January 19. All packages need to be shipped 5-6 weeks ahead of the mission's arrival date in Haiti February 22. Due to the short time left, Glen asked the Board's approval to shop for and spend \$100 - \$150 on gifts to be packed and shipped by the coming weekend. The Board approved the request.

New Business

Direction for New Club Projects

Concern that the club is not actively planning enough community service projects and has not yet communicated to the club how the club will spend funds raised for "projects" was raised by Glen Gibbs and discussed by the Board. Also discussed was concern that emphasis on raising money instead of spending money in the community may be a contributing reason that PCR has lost many high-energy members in the past year. George Six mentioned that the St. Albans club seemed to have more group activities than PCR and, even though smaller in membership, has more members who attended weekly meetings than PCR.

Tina and Bob proposed that the club hold a special club assembly meeting on Feb. 12 to solicit ideas from the club on future projects. The Board agreed to this idea and it was agreed to move ahead with it.

Publicity

Marilyn Pemberton suggested that the club needs more publicity in local papers. Sam Sentelle mentioned that coverage of club activities was spotty but that he would do his best to get publicity in the papers.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made at noon by Sam Sentelle, seconded by Marilyn Pemberton and approved by the Board.

Minutes submitted by Glen Gibbs on behalf of Board Secretary Jack Bailey