

**Rotary Club of Cedar Falls
Board Meeting Notes
October 21, 2014**

The Board meeting was held at the Cedar Falls Woman's Club immediately following the regular noon meeting.

Attendance:

Present:

Kelly Christensen, President
Brad Braley, Immediate Past-President
Chad Feldman, President-Elect
Gary Winterhof, Treasurer
Sheryl McGovern, Secretary
Leslie Nixon, Director
Bob Diedrichs, Director
Alexa Heffernan, Director

Absent:

Bob Hardman, Club Historian
Mike Butler, Director
John Roth, Director
Mike Walsten, Director

Guests:

Kathy Fahy, District Governor 2014-2015

1. The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Christensen at 1:05 p.m.

2. President's Report:
 1. President Kelly Christensen welcomed District Governor Kathy Fahy.
 2. Suggested that visiting Rotarian Clark Kjelgard join the Cedar Falls Rotary Club on a temporary basis, waiving the application fee. It is believed that practice (contrary to Club By-Laws) has been that Rotarians joining from another club not pay the \$50.00 induction fee.

3. Secretary's Report:
 1. Approval of minutes, noting correction regarding airfare was made. Minutes as corrected approval: Moved by Brad Braley, seconded by Leslie Nixon, motion carried.
 2. Grace Kole (Salvation Army, nominated by Laura Kann) has applied for membership. Moved by Brad Braley, seconded by Chad Feldman to accept application and put on the table. Motion carried.

4. Treasurer's Report:
 1. Gary Winterhof noted that the club must file an annual report with the IRS, and that Steve Lindaman has agreed to print the report and send it to the CPA. Gary will follow up to make sure this is done by mid-November.

2. Club Budget vs. Actual report was distributed, with noted expenditures for office supplies, polo shirts, and prairie work.
3. Foundation Budget vs. Actual report was distributed, with nothing unusual noted.
4. Alexa Heffernan moved, seconded by Brad Braley to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

5. Old Business:

1. Nothing new to report on sign honoring Marv Diemer for the Rotary Prairies. This may be postponed until spring, as the signs are generally taken down during the winter months.

New Business:

1. None

District Governor Kathy Fahy suggests that clubs work together to share ideas and challenges as a way to strengthen and support others. President Kelly pointed out several Cedar Falls Rotary initiatives, such as municipal band concessions, car parking, brats at Oktoberfest, supporting accessible gardens, and establishing and maintaining the Rotary Prairie.

In addition, there has been a 3-year commitment to the new Northeast Iowa Food Bank, past support to the Hearst Center (James Hearst was a member of the Cedar Falls Rotary Club). There have been many financial support initiatives in the community, as well as hands-on volunteerism. There has also been partnership with the new Cedar Valley Rotary Club. The layette/shoebox support, Cedar Falls Robotic Club, and scholarships were also mentioned, as well as well-digging in Tanzania.

District Governor Kathy suggests partnering with organizations outside Rotary, especially youth, and other service organizations. She suggests making visible what the club has supported, and handing out business cards with local Rotary information. She also encourages applying for Rotary grants, stating that almost every viable application was funded this year. We do not need to compete, we can work together.

Our challenge has been to identify an annual "signature" event.

6. Motion to adjourn by _____, seconded by _____. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at ? p.m
7. Next meeting date November 11, 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted; Sheryl A. McGovern, Club Secretary.