

**Rotary Club of Cedar Falls
Board Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2013**

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

Attendance:

Present:

Scott Cooley -----	President
Mary Shepherd -----	Past-President
Johnny Dickinson -----	Director, Membership
Kelly Christensen -----	Director, Public Relations
Don Gottschalk -----	Director, Rotary Foundation
Mare Madsen Schmidt -----	Director, Club Administration
Mike Walsten -----	Director, Club Service (2)
Gary Winterhof -----	Director, Club Service (1)
Erv Dennis -----	Secretary

Absent:

Brad Braley -----	President-Elect
Steve Lindaman -----	Treasurer
Bob Hardman -----	Club Historian

Guests:

None.

1. Meeting was called to order by President Scott Cooley at 1:05 p.m. Nine of the twelve Board members were in attendance at the time; thus President Cooley declared a quorum and proceeded with the meeting.
2. President Cooley had distributed the meeting agenda via e-mail to the Board members Tuesday morning. He asked for a review and any needed adjustments. Hearing none, he declared the agenda approved.
3. President Cooley stated that the April board minutes had been distributed by both he and Secretary Erv Dennis. He requested action. It was moved (Walsten/Madsen Schmidt) to accept the minutes as prepared and distributed by secretary Erv Dennis. Motion carried.
4. Secretary’s Report: Erv Dennis distributed copies of the secretary’s report and reviewed selected items. Motion (Walsten/Madsen Schmidt) moved to approve the report as presented. Carried.
5. Proposed New Members: Secretary Erv Dennis presented the membership proposals:
 - Robert M. Green** – Web Developer at Viking Pump/IDEX Corporation, Cedar Falls.
Sponsor: Scott J. Cooley
 - Laura J. Kann** – Director, Boys and Girls Club of the Cedar Falls, Waterloo.
Sponsor: Leslie L. Nixon
 - Kristena M. Potratz** – Director, New Aldaya Lifescapes, Cedar Falls.
Sponsor: Deon E. Senchina

Motion to approve the three proposed new members (Dennis/Dickinson). Carried.

6. Delegate to 2013 R. I. Convention: President-elect Brad Braley will be attending the Rotary International Convention that will be held in Lisbon, Portugal during June 23-26. Secretary Erv Dennis has received the official voting delegate forms and completed them on behalf of Brad. Because of our membership size, our club is authorized to have two delegates or one delegate with the authority of two votes. Motion to approve Brad Braley as having two votes for our club (Dennis/Walsten). Carried

7. Treasurer's Report: Steve Lindaman was absent, thus Director Gary Winterhof distributed and reviewed the April financial reports. The total assets as of April 30, 2013 were \$18,375.78. As part of his report, Steve provided a report of the prepared budget to actual expenses. In addition, he provided a financial report of the Club Charitable Foundation financial status. The balance in the Charitable Foundation account is \$15,452.68. Motion (Hardman/Madsen Schmidt) to approve the three reports. Carried.

Old Business:

8. RYLA: Past-president, Mary Shepherd provided a status report. She noted that there have been four applications with three sponsorships previously approved by the Board. Two high school sophomores and two juniors make up the four applicants. Mary suggested that the Board approve the 4th student sponsorship. The sponsorship amount per student is \$400.00. Motion (Gottschalk/Walsten) to approve sponsoring all four applicants to attend the RYLA camp this June which will be held at Wartburg College, Waverly, IA. Carried

9. Presidential Citation Award: District Governor Jill Olsen reported to President Scott Cooley that our club has been identified to receive the award this year. It will be formally presented later by past district governor, Roger Kueter, at one of our regular Tuesday noon meeting.

10. Sturgis Falls Parade Float: Kelly Christensen reported that good progress has been made in preparing the float. Long-time and younger members will be invited to ride on the float. The final preparation of the float will be accomplished the Friday evening before the parade on Saturday, June 29.

11. Student Funding Request: Brianna Larson, a junior at Wapsi Valley High School has requested some financial assistance for her planned international travel. The Board reviewed and discussed her request. Some concerns were expressed, but the Board members agreed to continue pursuing the opportunities to assist her with her international travel plans. Director Mike Walsten Will follow-up and report back to the Board.

12. Club Polo Shirts: President Scott Cooley displayed an example of the shirts. They have been received. Scott will arrange for distribution to the members who requested a shirt.

New Business:

13. Local Service Projects: Director Gary Winterhof stated that there are four projects that have been received and reviewed by the committee. He reviewed them as follows:

- A. Cedar Falls Parks: Committee recommendation for our club to contribute \$1,000.00.
- B. Cedar Falls Schools interrelationship with the Cedar Falls Public Library. No funding request submitted. They are asking for “Time-In-kind-Labor”.
- C. Neighborhood Library (Little Library). Limited interest in this project but the committee would like to work with the Cedar Falls Library personnel and discuss how our club can be involved in existing programs.
- D. Boy Scouts of America: They are asking for help in providing signage to the existing facilities. The total cost of the planned signage will be approximately \$4,500.00. Other groups have also been contacted for funds. The committee recommends that our Club contribute \$500.00 to help them with this effort.

The total amount requested comes to \$3,500.00; the local projects committee recommends our club contribution be \$1,500.00 as noted in items A and D. Motion (Dickinson/Walsten) to approve of this amount. Carried.

14. International Projects: President Scott Cooley reviewed the report from the committee chair, Willard Jenkins. One request has been received from the Rotary Club of Ames (IA) plus another request for assistance in Tanzania. More information will be forthcoming from the International Projects committee as they work on these requests.

15. Marv Diemer Memorial: Several plans and thoughts have been brought forth to honor and remember Marv for his long-time work on the Rotary Prairie and Trail project in the Big Woods area of North Cedar Falls. Further study and recommendations will come forth. Director Mare Madsen Schmidt and Past-President Mary Shepherd volunteered to visit with Kim Manning, Director of the Cedar Falls Tourism & Visitor Bureau about the possibilities.

16. Board Replacements for 2013-2014: Past-president Mary Shepherd (committee chair) reported that Kelly Christensen has accepted the invitation to serve as President-Elect for the 2013/2014 operational year and continue on as the Club President if approved by the club membership. Thus far, Mary and her committee have not identified the board replacements for two directors (Don Gottschalk and Johnny Dickinson) who will complete their three-year terms as of June 30. Also, with Director Kelly Christensen becoming the president-elect, it will be necessary to identify a replacement for him to complete his term which expires on June 30, 2015.

17. Being no further business, President Cooley requested a motion (Dickinson/Christensen) to adjourn. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

The next will be held on Tuesday, June 11; 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted; Ervin A. Dennis, Club Secretary