Rotary Club of Cedar Falls Board Meeting Minutes November 12, 2013

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

Attendance:

Present:

Brad Braley	President
Kelly Christensen	President-Elect
Scott Cooley	Immediate Past-President
Alexa Heffernan	Director
Chad Feldman	Director

Leslie Nixon ------ Director
Gary Winterhof ------ Director
Erv Dennis ----- Secretary

Absent:

Steve Lindaman ------ Treasurer

Bob Hardman ------ Club Historian

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Guests: None

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Brad Braley at 1:09 p.m. Eight of the twelve Board members were in attendance; thus President Braley stated that a quorum was in place and that "official" business could be conducted.
- 2. President Braley called on Secretary Erv Dennis to present the Secretary's report which included information relating to membership, attendance, dues collection, and bank deposits. A copy of the report is attached to this report.
- 3. Resignations: Secretary Erv reported that he had not received any resignations since the October board meeting.
- 4. Proposed New Members: Secretary Erv reported that he had one new-member proposal; that of: Leslie A. Matheson proposed by Phil Kenealy. Leslie is a sales representative for Integrity Technology Systems and has not been a member of another Rotary Club. Following a review of the proposal information, it was moved (Heffernan/Cooley) to approve Leslie A. Matheson for membership in our club. Motion carried. Her name will be announced to the club membership on November 19 and her application will be placed on the table for ten days for member response. If no responses are received, arrangements will be made to hold a new-member induction ceremony in early December.
- 5. Rule-of-85 membership/attendance requests: Two applications have been received -- Dale R. Port and A. Miller Roskamp. Dale Port has an aggregate total (age and years in Rotary) of 101 years and Miller Roskamp an aggregate total of 92 years. It was moved (Winterhof/Christensen) to approve these two applications. Motion carried.

- 6. Leave-of-Absence requests: Two requests have been received -- Uyntha J. Duncan and Jerry J. Larson both for the 3rd quarter (January March) 2014. Uyntha will be traveling to Arizona and Jerry to Texas for the winter months. It was moved (Feldmann/Nixon) to approve these two requests. Motion carried. Dues for Uyntha and Jerry will be \$35.00 each for the 3rd quarter.
- 7. New Member Fee: Secretary Erv Dennis brought forth the topic that we do assess new members who have not been previous Rotarians a fee of \$50.00 to cover the cost of supplies/services associated with them becoming members of our club, but we do not assess the same fee or a lesser fee for former Rotarians coming to our Club as members. The cost associated with accepting new members, whether former Rotarians or new to Rotary) totals out at \$46.25. Secretary Erv asked if we should be assessing former Rotarians a similar fee or a lesser amount to recover a portion of the cost. Following discussion, the consensus was that it would be best to leave the practice as is -- assess only new Rotarians.
- 8. President Brad Braley reported that a Red Badge information session was held early evening on Monday, October 28 at the Cedar Falls Public Library. Six new/red badge members attended out of a total of 12 Red Badge holders currently on the list. The information meeting was conducted by Mardy Holst, chair of the Rotary Information Committee and some of his committee members. On Tuesday, October 29, during our regular Tuesday noon meeting, President Braley then exchanged their red badges for the standard blue name badges.
- 9. President Brad Braley reviewed his thoughts relating to the recording of e-votes taken on business related topics between the monthly board meetings and when there is not a quorum at a particular monthly board meeting. Following discussion, it was moved (Cooley/Feldmann) to have the secretary attach an addendum of the action taken to the previous month's meeting minutes. Motion carried.
- 10. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Steve Lindaman was absent, thus there was no report. President Braley reported that Steve Lindaman had recently written a number of checks, of which he co-signed, including a check for \$500.00 as a gift of support to the Cedar Falls Municipal Band. A letter of appreciation has been received from the president of the Band association.

Old Business:

- 11. Gift for Speakers/Presenters: President Braley had previoulsy requested Secretary Erv Dennis to check out the possibilities available from the various Rotary club suppliers. He is thinking that a nice ball-point writing pen with the Rotary logo and Rotary International printed on the barrel of the pen. Erv agreed to do some searching and provide some information re what is available and the cost.
- 12. President Braley encouraged the six Directors to make contact with the committee chairs within their assigned area of responsibility and encourage the committee chairs to call and conduct committee meetings with the intent of accomplishing their assigned tasks for the Rotary year. President Brad indicated that he will be scheduling a club assembly in the near

future so he can report on our club progress to date relating to our annual stated goals plus this will be a time for the committee chairs to call and hold meetings.

13. President Braley asked Director Gary Winterhof the status of his visit with former member John Larsen re his interest in rejoining the club within the provisions of the Rule-of-85 membership/attendance category. John's aggregate total of years equal 92 (age 60 plus 32 years as a Rotarian). Gary reported that he did visit with John, but that John had not gotten back to him. Secretary Erv Dennis reported that he had written an e-mail to John Larsen explaining the Rule-of-85 membership category, but also had not received a response.

Director Gary Winterhof left at this time as he had a business appointment.

- 14. President Braley announced that he and President-Elect, Kelly Christensen, had discussed and decided that our regular noon meetings on Tuesday, December 24 and 31 should be cancelled because of the Christmas and New Year's holidays. It was moved (Heffernan/Feldmann) to support this recommendation. Motion carried. President Braley will announce this decision to the membership in the coming weeks via his weekly e-mail message and orally during the announcements of our upcoming meetings.
- 15. Being no further business, President Braley declared the meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.
- 16. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, December 10; 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted; Ervin A. Dennis, Club Secretary