



Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: February 29, 2016

Attendance: Bob B., Lisa B., Kathy C, Rob D., Donna G., Rhonda H., Don I., Ed K., Robert K., Cecile M., Mary M., Tina M., Bruce N., Wendy O., Ian S., Bob T., Shelley V., Rhoda W., Robert L.

Regrets: Alaina A., Angie C., Don D., Cindy D., Jeff F., Erik H., Greg K., Alaina L., Harold L., Lou Mc.,

Guest: Rebecca Moase, Intern from Kings County Record

Grace & Toast to the Queen – Rev. Don Ingersoll

Welcome: Rob Driscoll, President and Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Rotary Minute: Unfortunate circumstances meant that Jeff Fuller was absent and unable to present.

President:

There will be a mini Pre-PETS held on March 19 from 1 – 4 pm at the Saint John's Boys and Girls' Club. This session is training for the President Elect, Foundation Chair, Youth Committee, but open to any positions in the Club.

RLI and PETS is being held in Fredericton on Saturday, April 23, 2016. RLI is for general training in Rotary and PETS is for Presidents, Secretaries, and other Officers of Clubs.

The Sussex Rotary Club AGM will be held on Monday, March 14, 2016, at noon. Rob Driscoll will be circulating information regarding that meeting.

Trip Draw – Ian Smyth agreed to assist with the Trip Draw tomorrow, March 1, 2016. This is the first of the new season.

Committee Reports:

April 7, 2016 Fundraising Dinner. The following were circulated at the meeting:

- Posters for the event – needs to have price put on it. Tina will send out new image.
- Customizable letters for business solicitation
- Tax receipt information
- Form for collecting prizes and donations
- Information about Discovery Park describing universal design and natural play



A suggestion given was to have a very small dessert for everyone, i.e., small cookie, and to have fewer auction desserts than there are tables. The idea is to escalate the bidding war for choice desserts. Volunteers are needed to make desserts.

Scotia Bank will add a matching grant for any tickets that are sold by on-duty staff at Scotia Bank. Encourage people to pick tickets up at ScotiaBank.

Tickets are \$75 each with a \$35 tax receipt for individuals. Bob Black stressed the need to talk to individuals including doctors, dentists, and other professionals. With this in mind Bob circulated a list of names and had people volunteer to make contact with these individuals. In the past we have little representation from schools. Since our fundraising is for children of the community this year we need the schools' support and the schools' assistance in getting the word out.

Robert Kimball volunteered to contact neighbor clubs and their former Presidents as well as Past District Governors.

New Generations – Lisa Brown reported that SRHS student, Brianna Dunfield, has been chosen to represent the Rotary Club of Sussex for Adventures in Citizenship in Ottawa from May 1 – 4, 2016.

Membership Committee – Shelley reported that there will be a meeting of her committee Friday at lunch. One topic of discussion is an orientation night that would be both a social and an information night. Spouses will be invited.

Nomination Committee – The Committee is still working through finding officers for next year's club. Volunteers are appreciated.

Secretary Reports:

Rhoda reported that the Club received an update on the Rotary work in Kenya where computers are being installed in schools and the team is installing solar energy. The Sussex Club partnered with other Rotary Clubs, together with assistance from the Federal Government to make the project a reality.

Facebook Stats – Ian gave the club an update on the stats and the number of hits on the Rotary Facebook. Announcements about the Rotary Trip Draw Winners seems to be the time when the Rotary Facebook gets its greatest hits.

Happy / Sad Bucks

Chase the Joker: Wendy's ticket was drawn but still no joker. The pot is now \$254.

A group Rotary photo was taken by Cecile Matheson.

Next Meeting: Next Club meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 7, 2016 at the All Seasons Inn and Restaurant starting at 12:15 pm.

Meeting Adjourned, 1:15 pm.