

Rotary Cowbell - June 11, 2018

Chair: Ian Smyth

Present: Christine Moffett, Ian Smyth, Tina Monahan, Lisa Brown, Donna Gilchrist, Robert Lockhart, Bruce Northrup, Don Dow, Bob Tremblett, Rhonda Haynes, Robert Kimball, Don Ingersoll, Alex Coffin, Shelly Vail, Julie Matthews, Alaina Alexander

Rotary Minute – JC Lockhart thanked everyone for their condolences and support for the loss of his mother.

Introduction of Guest Speakers - Sarah White and Brian Ferris from Department of Post-Secondary Education Training and Labour (PETL) – Tina M.

Sarah shared about 4 different programs WEP, One Job Pledge, Youth Employment and SEED (see attached PDFs).

Brian shared about Labour Force Adjustment. They offer Human Resources assistance to help resolve any issues. Will cover 50% of the cost to bring in a consultant to your company and find what the problems are and help resolve them.

A new program is for upgrading employees. They will pay 50% of the costs for training (up to a max of \$40,000 per company) covering books, tuition. If a consultant/trainer is brought in they will also cover 50% of books, tuition, hotel, and rental car. For generic training (new software, etc) they will cover 25% of costs. Brian also can assist with Immigration if that turns out to be a company's best option to bring in the skill that is needed. Each situation is unique, so please approach them to find the program that best suits your needs.

The following is a link to more info regarding Adjustment services which Brian spoke about regarding HR issues and also employee training/education.

http://www2.qnb.ca/content/qnb/en/services/services_renderer.16956.Adjustment_Services_-_Employment_Services_.html

Thanker – Julie Matthews

Committee Sign up – Robert Kimball and Bob Black will be making phone calls to each member to assist them in finding the committee(s) that are best suited to each Rotary member. They will also be putting a spot light on a different committee at future Rotary meetings to help everyone understand what their purpose is and raise excitement about becoming involved.

Rotary Dues Increase – will increase by \$5.00 in July.

Events

Relay Report – Bruce N. shared that Rotary had only 4 members present. The Relay was lacking generally in support. Still, \$27,000 was raised. Hopefully, next year's event will have more support.

Breakfast Club – Bruce expressed many thanks to all who participated this year. Each school is grateful for our help.

Board meeting – after regular meeting today

Rotary Brew Festival – needs many volunteers to help with set up and running the event.
Tickets available online and Sobeys

Sussex Summer Fest – need volunteers (30) to help at the 14th July concert. An information meeting will be held on 27 June at the arena.

Summer Social – Bob Black will host a potluck social the week of July 23. Any day from Monday to Thursday will work.

District Governor Visit – Bob Tremblett will send out a final itinerary when it is complete.

Rotary Dist 7810 Conference – please join in if interested

Rotary Leadership Inst. – carpooling – Contact Lisa or Tina to travel. Contact Rhoda Wilson if you need help registering. It is quite simple to do online.

Happy Bucks/Sad Bucks/Fines – Shelley

Chase the Joker – Don Ingersol's ticket was drawn but the Joker did not appear.

Next Meeting – June 18

Chair Bob Black, **RM**-Paul Kearley, **Intro**-Christine Moffett, **Thanker** – (TBA), **Speaker**-Sophia Sharp – Adventure in Citizenship.

Adjournment – Four Way Test 1:10 pm

Respectfully submitted by Julie Matthews