



Cowbell – June 12, 2017

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Present: Lisa B., Alex C., Angie C., Melissa C-K., Rob D., Cindy D., Donna G., Don I., Ed K., Tina M., Bruce N., Bob S., Ian S., Bob T., Shelley V., Tracey W., Matt W., Rhoda W.

Absent: Alaina A., Bob B., Don D., Pam D., Jeff F., Rhonda H., Erik H., Blair H., Paul K., Greg, Robert K., Alaina L., Harold L., Cecile M., Julie M., Mary M., Lou M., Teresa O., Sheri S., Jason, Brenna W., Robert L.

Guests – Elizabeth Carvalho, AEI student from Brazil

Presentation – Terry Rogers, Sussex Select – Rotary International Congress

Rotary Minute – Melissa Cummings-Keith stated that Terry Rogers from Select Funeral Home had stopped by earlier and had presented the Rotary Club of Sussex with a picture from a District Rotary Conference in Moncton in 1936. Terry found the picture while cleaning at the Petitcodiac Funeral Home and wished to pass the photograph along to the Rotary Club of Sussex.

Introduction of Guest Speaker – Ian Smyth introduced Jim Kokocki from Toastmasters. Jim is an entrepreneur and business consultant residing in Saint John. He has been a Toastmaster for 27 years and served on their Board of Directors. Jim has served as International President and even attained the highest level of achievement in the organization.

Guest Speaker – Jim Kokocki spoke of the mission of Toastmasters to empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Public speaking is a focus of the organization and participants are trained to think on their feet when they are challenged to give impromptu speeches. A quick-thinking strategy is to remember this phrase “Past, Present, and Future” and to talk about the topic from this perspective. Toastmasters is an international body and Jim shared some of his experiences abroad. Toastmasters is focused on helping individuals to gain more self-confidence in their ability to speak publicly.

Thanker – Ian Smyth

Rotary Training & Social – Tuesday, June 13, 2017 in the Back 40 Room at All Seasons starting at 6 pm. Please bring your laptop or your smart device so that everyone can edit their profile in Rotary.org and learn more about on-line Rotary resources.

Budgets – Committee chairs should get budgets submitted to Mary McNair.

Breakfast Clubs – This week Lisa Brown is serving at Sussex Middle School on Wednesday and Mary McNair is serving at Sussex Elementary School on Friday.

Breakfast Fundraiser for Balloon Fiesta – Don Ingersoll announced a meeting for Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at noon for anyone wanting to plan the Breakfast.

Induction – Tracey Wallace was inducted as a new member of the Sussex Rotary Club.

Social – Tina is planning a social in August at the Timberland Pool.

New Position for Melissa Cummings-Keith – Melissa announced that she had accepted a position in Moncton hence limiting her time with the Rotary Club of Sussex. Melissa will be missed but everyone wished her the best.

RI International Convention – There are cost savings for registering early for the Rotary International Conference in Toronto from June 23-28, 2018.

Chase the Joker – Today's guest, Elizabeth, had her ticket drawn but there was still no Joker. The pot is now \$324.

Next Meeting – Monday, June 19, 2017 – Business Meeting
Monday, June 26, 2017 – Changeover meeting

Adjournment