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Rotary Cowbell – June 18, 2018

Present:

Alexander, Alaina	Freeze, Judy	Lockhart, Robert	Northrup, Bruce	Vail, Shelley
Black, Bob	Gilchrist, Donna	Matthews, Julie	Smyth, Ian	Wilson, Rhoda
Brown, Lisa	Haynes, Rhonda	McNair, Mary	Thorne, Jason	
Cameron, Josh	Kearley, Paul	Moffett, Christine	Tremblett, Robert	
Cummings, Angela	Kimball, Robert	Monahan, Tina		

Absent:

Coffin, Alex	Homenick, Erik	Lockhart, Alaina	Savidant, Mark
Dow, Don	Hyslop, Blair	Long, Craig	Short, Bob
Driscoll, Robert	Ingersoll, Don	Lowe, Harold	Wallace, Tracey
Fuller, Jeff	Keith, Greg	McNamara, Lou	White, Matt

Guests: Ross Wetmore, Rotarian from Gagetown Club also MLA for the area
 Naomi Mahoney – Summer student working with Alex Coffin at Civic Centre
 Lauren Lockhart, Keegan Wallace, Sophia Sharp, Lily Alexander, & Shelby Dunfield - Interactors

Social Media Check-in – Ian Smyth

Rotary Minute – Paul Kearley gave the Rotary Minute reflecting on projects that other Rotary Clubs are doing. He has discovered that there are Government grants available to service clubs such as Rotary.

Introduction: Christine Moffett introduced Sophia Sharp, President of the Kings County Interact Club, and Grade 11 student at Sussex Regional High School.

Speaker: Sophia Sharp reported on her trip to Ottawa as part of the Adventure in Citizenship conference sponsored by the Rotary Club of Ottawa. This event was a packed with activities – visits to Parliament, museums, and cultural events along with listening to special speakers and making friends. The Ottawa has been hosting this event for more than 60 years and Sussex Rotary has been actively involved for more than 30 years.

Thanker: Robert Kimball thanked Sophia for her enthusiast presentation.

Brewfest: More details will be given next week. Attendance was good, volunteers were plenty, and vendors were pleased.

Membership:

It was moved by Bob Tremblett
 And seconded by Shelley Vail

That the membership application of Paula Fleming be accepted into the Rotary Club of Sussex.
MOTION CARRIED.

Membership – Rotary Year End 2017/18 – The Membership Committee has been contacting all members about plans for involvement for the 2018/19 year and about intentions for membership. Some members have moved or are moving and the membership roster will be updated by the end of the month. It is important for intentions to be known before June 30th because our Club gets billed by Rotary International based on our membership numbers at the end of the Rotary fiscal year.

Dues Increase – The Rotary Board met after the Rotary meeting and it was felt that a \$10 increase would better handle the increase in district dues and other fees based on exchange rates and other costs. Bob Black reported that the \$150 dues have been in place for years. It was agreed to increase the membership dues for the Rotary Club of Sussex for the year 2018/19 to \$160/year. Cheques should be postdated for after July 1, 2018.

On the invoice there will be a place for members to indicate intentions about volunteer donations to the international Rotary Foundation. The money that goes into the Foundation receives a charitable receipt to be used for income tax purposes as well as moves members along the path of receiving a Paul Harris award. Donations accumulating to \$1,000 US, results in a Paul Harris.

Summer Meetings

Regular meeting Monday, July 16, 2018

Business meeting on Monday, July 16, 2018

Social - Tuesday, July 24, 2018, at Bob Black's house. This will be a pot luck and a map will be circulated closer to the time of the event.

District Governor will be coming in August at a date TBA

Clubrunner Purchase - Lisa Brown will be sending out an e-mail about this matter.

Quickbooks – Ledgers, the accountants who review our books, has offered the Rotary Club of Sussex a free subscription to the online version of QuickBooks. Our Club pays Ledgers for reviewing our books and last year the cost was \$690.

Sussex Summer Fest- July 13 & 14, 2018 – Jason is pleased with the media response to date but Jason asked members to share all of the social media posts for this event. Look for all the events and contests that are being offered. The Dream Team sign-up sheet for volunteers was circulated.

Flower bed in O'Connell Park – Rhoda has been talking to Joan Routledge and no flowers have been purchased to date. Rhoda asked for feedback about adding more vibrancy even if it means no Rotary symbol. Everyone agreed to a more vibrant flower garden.

Short Term Rotary Exchanges

Lauren Lockhart will be leaving for northern France on June 28 and returning on July 28 at which time her counterpart will come to Canada.

Keegan Wallace's counterpart will be arriving from Italy shortly and Keegan will be returning with him to Italy on July 16, 2018.

Fundraiser of Beer Fest Souvenir Glasses – Souvenir glasses were sold for \$2 each raising a total of \$46 for the Rotary Club. One glass was given to Keegan Wallace to give to his mother for taking pictures at the event and writing an article for the newspaper.

Chase the Joker – Donna Gilchrist's ticket was drawn but still no Joker. The pot is now \$435.50. It was agreed that this game will be played to completion next week. **There will be a winner next week.**

Next Meeting –Committee Chat, Goals, and New Member Induction - June 25, 2018

Chair: Lisa Brown

Adjournment – Close meeting with the Four-Way Test

Respectfully submitted,

Rhoda Wilson, Secretary
Rotary Club of Sussex