

Rotary Business Meeting – June 25, 2018

Present:

Alexander, Alaina	Gilchrist, Donna	Matthews, Julie	White, Matt
Brown, Lisa	Haynes, Rhonda	McNair, Mary	Wilson, Rhoda
Coffin, Alex	Kearley, Paul	Short, Bob	
Cummings, Angela	Keith, Greg	Smyth, Ian	
Fleming, Paula	Kimball, Robert	Vail, Shelley	

Absent:

Black, Bob	Homenick, Erik	McNamara, Lou	Thorne, Jason
Cameron, Josh	Hyslop, Blair	Moffett, Christine	Tremblett, Robert
Dow, Don	Ingersoll, Don	Monahan, Tina	
Driscoll, Robert	Lockhart, Alaina	Northrup, Bruce	
Freeze, Judy	Long, Craig	Savidant, Mark	

Chair - Lisa Brown

Social Media Check-In – Ian Smyth

Rotary Minute - Kegan Wallace of Kings County Interact Club introduced Lorenzo from Tuscany, Italy. Lorenzo will be here for the next three weeks and then Kegan will return with Lorenzo to Italy.

Membership

Induction - Paula Fleming was inducted into the Rotary Club of Sussex. Lisa Brown is her sponsor. Paula is a nurse and works at her husband's dentistry office.

Rotary Dues – Bob Short will be sending out a revised version of the invoice indicating that the regular Rotary dues are \$160. Any amount of money given above that amount will go toward the Rotary International Foundation which is a registered charity and this portion is tax receiptable and also goes toward earning a Paul Harris award.

ClubRunner Purchase - Rhoda Wilson reviewed some of the benefits of a paid version of ClubRunner in order to improve continuity, efficiencies and communication with its members. Some of the features are:

- Member Directory
- Email Message Center
- Event Calendar
- Volunteers Management
- Reports
- Dues & Billing
- Attendance Manager
- RI Integration
- Committee Management
- Website Designer

It was moved by Lisa Brown

And seconded by Bob Kimball

That the Rotary Club of Sussex purchase the paid version of ClubRunner.

MOTION CARRIED.

Scholarships for Sussex Regional High School Students – Sarah Hunt and Rhiannon Khedheri-Graham each received \$1,000 from the Rotary Club of Sussex at last week's graduation.

Year Summary 2017/18 - Lisa Brown

- The Rotary Club of Sussex reached 40 years of age as a Club.
- Programs – 30 outside speakers and 6 classification talks
- Community Events
 - Community Award – August 2017
 - Breakfast Clubs – Expanded from Sussex Elementary School and Sussex Middle School to include Sussex Corner Elementary School
 - Salvation Army Kettle at Christmas time – 70 hours with the assistance of Interact
 - Town cleanup in the spring and at the Civic Centre
- Donations
 - final cheque of \$20,000 for the Amphitheatre
 - Coats for Kids
 - Trip Draw Tickets - \$160, Rainbow printed at 50% off in exchange for advertising
 - Sussex Country Music Concert – donation of \$10,000
 - High school scholarships
- Fundraisers
 - Balloon Fiesta at Dunster's parking lot
 - Outdoor breakfast at the Balloon Fiesta
 - Beer Tasting festival
 - Mulch sale - money put toward Coats for Kids
- Socials - Two at Giermindl's- Oktoberfest and Christmas
- Conferences
 - District Conference in Miramichi, September 22- 24, 2017
 - Rotary Leadership Institute in Truro, October 28, 2017
 - Foundation seminar – Donna Gilchrist attended
 - PETS & SETS
- Rotary link-ups
 - Paul Kearley & Rob Driscoll
- Public image
 - Several advertisements were done on social media with contests that bumped the numbers to 1169 likes on Facebook
- Interact
 - New chair for New Generations Committee – Alaina Alexander
 - Purple Pinky at Elementary Schools, and Flag Raising at Town Hall
 - Kettle Bell
 - Adventure in Citizenship in Ottawa – Sophia Sharp
 - New officers for next year –
 - Shelby Dunfield, President
 - Kegan Wallace, Vice President
 - Lily Alexander, Treasurer
 - Lauren Lockhart, Secretary
- Membership
 - Survey completed and changes being implemented
 - a few people moved away but Rotary gained Christine Moffett, Craig Long, Judy Freeze, and Paula Fleming

Review of Goals 2018/19 - Lisa Brown reviewed the goals for the upcoming year which are as follows:

1. Bump up our literacy focus, in particular, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.
2. Improve Program by adding a Lunch and Learn once per month. (This will be added to the duties of the program committee)
3. Increase Club contribution to the Rotary Foundation. This is the core of Rotary and we will make an effort to increase individual membership dues as well as Club contributions.
4. Develop an improved model to track volunteer hours with the goal to empower our membership and to recognize good works done by our club.

5. Public Image and Relations – Use social media to further communicate what Rotary is about and what the Rotary Club of Sussex has been up to. As well as updating Rotary showcase.
6. Host a RYLA Event in May 2019
7. Host a Paul Harris Dinner (November)
8. Donate \$1,000 to Camp Rotary for maintenance and increase local awareness of Camp Rotary in our area.
9. Support the Band Program in Sussex
10. Encourage 5 members from the Club to go to District Conference and 5 others to go to RLI

Committee Chat – Members are still being assigned to Committees. The Membership Committee has been making personal contact with members and are finding that members are responding well when asked individually. Time did not permit more discussion on this matter today. Rhoda will send out the Committee Manual to all members.

Brew Tasting Event – Angie forecasted that there would be a profit of \$15,000 from this event. The event has been booked next year for Saturday, June 15, 2019.

Events:

Flowers at O’Connell Park - Tuesday, June 26, 2017 at 6:30 pm

Meetings Over the Summer – One meeting has been scheduled for Bob Black’s place during the social on July 24, 2018 and there will be another meeting in August with the District Governor, tentatively August 13. Rhoda has advised All Seasons that Rotary would resume its regular meetings at the Restaurant on September 10.

Board Meeting – Monday, July 16, 2018 at All Seasons at 12:15.

Social & Regular Meeting – Pot Luck at Bob Black’s Place - Tuesday, July 24. More information will follow.

Sussex Summer Fest

- Orientation Meeting for Volunteers, Wednesday, June 27, 2018, 7 pm, 8th Hussars
- July 14, 2018 - Rotary volunteering for Aaron Goodvin concert.

Happy Bucks/Sad Bucks/Fines

Chase the Joker – Playing continued until there was a winner. Congratulations, Mary McNair for receiving the prize of \$485.50!

Next Meeting – July 24, 2018 at Bob Black’s place.

Adjournment – Close meeting with the Four-Way Test

Respectfully submitted,

Rhoda Wilson, Secretary
Rotary Club of Sussex