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Meeting Cowbell – June 4, 2018

Present:

Black, Bob	Gilchrist, Donna	Smyth, Ian	Vail, Shelley
McNair, Mary	Kimball, Robert Jr.	Short, Bob	
Freeze, Judy	Northrup, Bruce	Thorne, Jason	

Absent:

Alexander, Alaina	Hyslop, Blair	Lowe, Harold	Lockhart, Robert
Brown, Lisa	Kearley, Paul	Matthews, Julie	Long, Craig
Coffin, Alex	Lockhart, Alaina	Monahan, Tina	Haynes, Rhonda
Dow, Don	Cummings, Angela	Wallace, Tracey	Ingersoll, Don
Driscoll, Robert	McNamara, Lou	Cameron, Josh	Keith, Greg
Fuller, Jeff	Moffett, Christine	Tremblett, Robert	
Homenick, Erik	Savidant, Mark	White, Matt	

Chair – Rhoda Wilson

Guests – None.

Social Media Check-in – Ian Smyth

Volunteer Hours & Town of Sussex Volunteer Awards – Bob Short/ Rhoda Wilson

Bob circulated the list for members to indicate the hours they have served in the club for the month. The group discussed the expected process and outcomes where some members had questions about the process.

Rhoda spoke to the value of the Town Volunteer Awards as a means of tipping our caps to the volunteer efforts of our members in a more public forum. She recapped the history of Rotary nominations for these awards: 2012- No nominee, 2013, Robert Kimball, 2014 – Joan Routledge, 2015 – No nominee, 2016 – Rob Driscoll, 2017 – Shelley Vail, 2018 – Lisa Brown.

Rotary Minute – Greg Zed & Donation

Rhoda informed the group that our May 28th guest speaker, Mr. Greg Zed had made a donation of \$100 to the Charitable Trust following his appearance at the meeting. A receipt and thank you will be sent.

Committee Sign-up & Reports (See attached for committee list)

Budget & Finance – Mary McNair

Mary circulated a financial report for both the Club account and Trip accounts (see attached). She noted an uptick in revenues from the Brew Fest ticket sales.

All committee chairs are to prepare plans for proposed revenues and expenditures in advance of the upcoming budget preparations.

Invoices for the upcoming membership year are forthcoming.

Policy & Governance – NIL

Membership Development – Bob Black/ Robert Kimball

Bob indicated that he and Robert will be making calls out to each and every member to discuss their membership and what the club can do to make the most out of your experience as a member and in return boost and strengthen engagement in the club meetings and committees.

Robert mentioned a plaque of Paul Harris in DC recognizing his service to Rotary, and encouraged anyone in D.C. to check out this area that recognizes volunteers.

Program & Reception

All members are encouraged to submit suggestions for speakers at any time. The group suggested that some of our members who have participated (Blair), or are currently participating (Angie) in the Wallace McCain Institute would make an interesting presentation (Rhoda to follow up). It was also suggested that a representative from the Princess Louise Park ShowCentre would be interesting.

Public Image & P.R.

Ian reported that a sponsorship letter for Brew Fest was delivered to Toys for Big Boys.

Social Events & Fellowship – NIL

Nomination Committee - NIL

Coats for Kids – NIL

Rotary Trip Draw

Bob Black won...finally! Way to go Bob

Fundraising Projects – NIL**Community Projects – Bruce Northrup**

Bruce confirmed the schedule for the final days of Breakfast programs for the school year.

Rotary International – NIL**Vocational Opportunities – NIL****New Generations Committee – NIL****Sussex Summer Fest Concert – Jason Thorne**

Committee has been replaced with Joint Venture Committee with Jason and Harold Lowe as chairs. Buy tickets....tell your friends.

Membership Survey Review – Rhoda Wilson

Rhoda reviewed the results of the recent membership survey. Results were sent out earlier. 19 of 36 members completed the survey making it difficult to draw clear conclusions that reflect the whole membership. Those who responded seem content with the club as a whole. Issues to be addressed include new member engagement and emails. Rhoda reported that the suggested Bcc: approach has resulted in far fewer emails.

Boards of Directors**Donation to Camp Rotary**

Bob Black made a motion that the Club make a donation fo \$1000 to Camp Rotary. Seconded by Shelley Vail. Motion Passed.

Attendance & Engagement

The group discussed the need to communicate the importance of participation with meetings and other activities all sharing importance. Members need to contribute how they can.

Communication & Clubrunner

Rhoda spoke to some paid functionality that exists with the Club Runner application. It allows clubs to track involvement and participation and recognize members for their work. She is in favour of the expense.

Rotary Dues Increase

Everyone is asked to share their feedback with Rhoda. Membership renewal to include a checkbox for those wishing to make a donation RLI Foundation.

Events:

Relay for Life – Sat, June 9 from 1pm to 11pm, Relay begins at 6pm – Amphitheatre.

Breakfast Clubs – Josh Cameron serving at Sussex Middle School on Wednesday and Jason Thorne is serving at Sussex Elementary School on Friday.

Board Meeting – Monday, June 11th, 2018

Rotary Brew Festival - June 16, 2018

Sussex Summer Fest- July 12, 13 and 14, 2018

District Governor Visit – August 13th? Bob Tremblett to confirm

Rotary District 7810 Conference – Bathurst, October 19 – 21, 2018

Rotary Leadership Institute – October 27, 2018 in Truro

Happy Bucks/Sad Bucks/Fines – Shelley Vail

Chase the Joker – Ian Smyth's ticket was drawn but still no Joker. The pot is now \$405.

Next Meeting – June 1, 2018

Chair: Ian Smyth, **Rotary Minute:** JC Lockhart

Adjournment – Close meeting with the Four-Way Test