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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: October 1, 2012

Attendance: Scott, Terri, Bruce, Robert L, Robert K, Lou, Wendy, Donna, Andrew, Bob B, Bob T

Regrets: Jason, Harley

GUEST SPEAKER: Our very own Lou McNamara & Robert Kimball

Guests: None

Rotary Grace

Toast to the Queen

Rotary Minute: None

Duty Roster for our Oct 15th, 2012 meeting:

- Rotary Minute: Rick Fazari
- Chair: Robert Kimball
- Introducer: Bruce Northrup
- Thanker: Jason Sturgeon

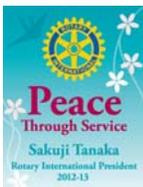
Duty Roster for our Oct 22nd, 2012 meeting:

- Rotary Minute: Donna Gilchrist
- Chair: Robert Lockhart
- Introducer: Wendy Osborne
- Thanker: Bob Tremblett

Lou announced the Trip Draw Winners:

- \$100 – Toni Huggard
- \$150 – Clarence Ward
- \$200 – John Mceachern
- \$500 – Len MacDonald
- Trip – Doris Davis

Foundation – Rotary's Charity



Goal to have every member contribute in 2012-2013 Rotary year.

Noted below is the information that I found off the website that Lou reviewed during our meeting.

What is the new grant model (also called Future Vision)?

The Rotary Foundation's new grant model supports district and club humanitarian and educational projects through three types of grants: district grants, global grants, and packaged grants.

- District grants are block grants that allow clubs and districts to address immediate needs in their communities and abroad.
- Global grants, which range from \$15,000 to \$200,000, fund large international humanitarian projects, vocational training teams, and scholarships that have sustainable, measurable outcomes in one or more of the areas of focus.
- Packaged grants allow clubs and districts to work with Rotary's strategic partners to implement pre-designed projects.

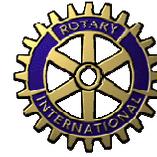
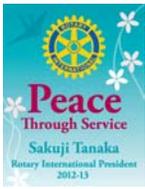
How will the new grant model benefit clubs and districts?

The new grant model offers several advantages:

- Grants have been reduced from 12 types to three — global grants, district grants, and packaged grants — while maintaining support for the variety of Rotarian activities.
- Grant payments are processed more quickly and the online application and approval process is transparent, allowing clubs and districts to see the status of their grants throughout.
- Districts can access 50 percent of their District Designated Funds (DDF) for district grants, which gives them more funding for projects and more control over their DDF.
- District grants can be used to sponsor a wide range of activities locally and abroad, including Group Study Exchange-like vocational training teams (VTTs), local and international scholarships, and any projects that align with the Foundation's mission.
- Monitoring and evaluation of grants will provide important information to grant sponsors and to the Foundation. For example, knowing the number of people who benefit from their projects can help clubs and districts promote the value of their work to the general public.
- Clubs and districts determine their level of involvement in grants. They can determine how to allocate district grants, develop their own global grant project with an international partner, or apply for a packaged grant.
- The timeline for global grant scholar selection is shorter, so clubs and districts do not have to plan as far ahead.
- Global grant scholarships receive a World Fund match, lowering the annual cost of a scholarship for the sponsors.
- Vocational training teams (VTTs), which travel to meet vital humanitarian needs, offer service opportunities far beyond the GSE experience.

Why did The Rotary Foundation change the grant model?

The Foundation recognized the need to use its limited resources more effectively. In 2007, the Foundation spent 20 percent of its program budget on long-term activities with high impact, and 80 percent on short-term activities with minimal impact. The new grant model will reverse that: 80 percent of the program



budget will support high-impact, sustainable projects. The new grant model will also help meet the priorities and goals of Rotary's [strategic plan](#).

What are the areas of focus and how were they selected?

The six areas of focus are:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

The Trustees identified these as critical humanitarian issues that Rotarians are already addressing worldwide. Previous Rotarian experience and interest in these areas will promote project success.

What is sustainability and why is it important?

The Rotary Foundation defines sustainability as the capacity for maintaining outcomes over the long term to serve the ongoing need of a community after grant funds have been expended. A sustainable project typically involves local community leaders in planning so that they are invested in the project's long-term success. Training and the exchange of information prepare communities to maintain results and solve problems on their own, after the Rotary club's involvement has ended. Sustainable projects offer enduring value and a greater return on Rotary's investment of money and volunteer hours.

How does my club or district get qualified?

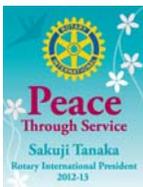
In order to receive grants from the Foundation, clubs and districts must be qualified. To be qualified, districts must complete an online process and follow the District Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The district governor, governor-elect, and Rotary Foundation committee chair must all three agree to the terms of the MOU.

Once a district is qualified, that district will in turn qualify its clubs. To be qualified, clubs must sign and follow the Club Memorandum of Understanding, send a representative to the district grant management seminar, and meet any other requirements determined by their district.

What are strategic partnerships and how do they work?

A strategic partnership is a relationship between The Rotary Foundation and another international organization that has a unique or specialized knowledge or expertise in one or more of the areas of focus. Strategic partnerships are large-scale, multi-year relationships. Rotary's [strategic partners](#) provide financial resources, technical expertise, advocacy, or a combination thereof. These relationships will produce mutually beneficial project portfolios that fulfill the goals of the partners and enhance service opportunities for Rotarians through packaged global grants.

What are vocational training teams (VTTs)?



Vocational training teams (VTTs) are groups of professionals who travel abroad either to learn more about their vocation or to teach local professionals about a particular field. Vocational training teams can be funded by either district grants or global grants

[Facts about Vocational Training Teams](#)

Can grants be used for scholarships?

Yes, scholarships can be supported with district and global grants. District Grants may be used to support scholarships at the district's discretion. Global Grants may support a Rotary Scholar as long as the recipient's study involves one of the six areas of focus.

What is the timeline for the Future Vision global launch?

All districts will begin using the new grant model on 1 July 2013. However, districts not participating in the Future Vision pilot should begin preparing for the transition ahead of time. District governors-elect and district Foundation chairs will receive training at the 2013 International Assembly. This will prepare them to complete the qualification process, train and qualify clubs, and apply for grants.

Download detailed timelines for [clubs](#) and [districts](#).

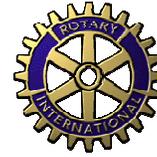
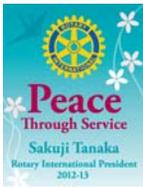
How is Rotarian input and feedback being used to improve the new grant model for the worldwide launch?

Many of the plan's key elements were based on survey results from Rotary leaders and grassroots Rotarians. Rotarian input continues to be a key factor as pilot districts, which have been testing the model since 2010, report back on their successes and challenges and make recommendations for change. For example, major improvements are being made to the online grant application to make it easier to use.

Surveys of Future Vision pilot districts indicate that most are happy with the new grant model. For example:

- 85% of respondents strongly or somewhat agree that the district MOU requirements improved their district's stewardship practices.
- Districts are generally satisfied with the online system and the elimination of paper applications. They feel that this process is easier.
- Pilot districts report that the sense of ownership of grants and grant projects has increased at both district and club levels.
- One district reports: "We have found better participation by clubs in our district. We have used our grant funds for a great variety of local and international projects and some clubs have combined with others for larger projects."
- Another district reports that their vocational training team (VTT) exchange had an even higher impact on their community than group study exchanges (GSEs).
- Pilot districts report that more clubs are participating in international projects and starting multiclub projects.

How will the Foundation know if Future Vision is a success?



The new grant model includes an evaluation process that will provide data on the actual number of people who benefit from Foundation grants and demonstrate how the sustainability factor will ensure the continuation of those benefits. Other factors that will help the Foundation measure success include Rotarian participation in grants, Foundation donations from both members and non-Rotarians, and media coverage of Foundation-sponsored projects.

Where can I find learning resources?

- Go to learn.rotary.org for tutorials and other resources to help you understand the new grant model. Because these are offered as a member benefit for Rotarians, it's only available to those with a [Member Access](#) account. If you don't yet have an account, open one today.
- Subscribe to [Future Vision News](#), a free monthly e-newsletter that features updates and information about the new grant model.

Bikes's Boots & Band-Aids: collection day is Oct 20th at the Sussex Supervalu, Robert Kimball to send email with poster when ready.

PCS Civic Centre: Ribbon cutting on Friday Oct 19th at 11 am, if anyone can join please do. See email from Robert Kimball with more information.

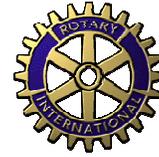
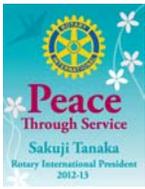
Thank you letter was read from Chad White – he was a recipient of our scholarship.

O'Connell Park Development Committee: Teri has been at 5 meetings since June. The committee wants to have the area open to everyone and to have something of interest for everyone. They are planning on having a picnic area. Want it to be a destination point in Sussex. It is a 10 year plan - \$10 M. They are working close with council. There was an online survey done via Survey Monkey. The item that came up was in most common in the survey was a water feature (splash pad). They want to have proper washroom facilities.

Highway Cleanup: is schedule for the last Saturday in October – meet at Tim's as usual at 8 am.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!!





Next Meeting – October 15th, 2012 due to Thanksgiving this coming Monday

Happy Sad Bucks

50/50 won by Bruce Northrup

Meeting Adjourned.

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!