

Port Hope Rotary Club
2004-2005 Board Minutes
1st. March, 2005

Present: Jim Gilmer, Jan Boycott, Bob Wallace, John Mowat, Ken Jones, Rolly Dalla Rosa, Ron Coleman, Ken O'Neil and Merv. Richards.

Regrets: Peter Rossi, Jamieson Ross and Ted Harp.

President Jim Gilmer welcomed the two new Directors Elect – Ron Coleman and Ken O'Neil and congratulated them on their election. He also congratulated Rolly Dalla Rosa on his appointment as President Elect and Director Elect Ron Coleman on his election as Vice-President.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: It was moved by John Mowat and seconded by Jan Boycott that the minutes of the meeting of February 1st. 2005 be accepted as written.

Business Arising: Ken Jones reported that there was still no word from RI on an agreement to license our sales of framed certificates, etc.

On the matter of our polio eradication fund raising campaign it was reported that independent pledges had not been fulfilled and Treasurer Bob Wallace suggested that we ask those who pledged originally to re-issue new cheques, replacing those held by Bud Lynch and that these new cheques be forwarded to him as Club Treasurer.

On the matter of the dedication of our Rotary Park it was reported that a start on the Rotunda would be made in April. Jan Boycott agreed to contact the members of the Kinsmen Club to see if we could perhaps combine the dedication with their July 1st. function, suggesting the evening of June 30th. as a possible date. Jan pointed out that we have to give the Trillium Foundation and our local MPP a month's notice and that she would have a reply from the Kinsmen by our April meeting.

On the matter of our next community project we already have a request from the Capitol theatre and it was agreed that we set this aside until our up-coming Club Assembly when the Capitol request along with other suggestions could be discussed by the whole Club.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Merv. brought up the matter of the "Rotarian" and Honourary Members and pointed out that while such members paid no annual dues the Club has to pay \$12 per annum for the "Rotarian" to RI for each Honourary member. It was agreed that there may be a way to recover this amount and it should come up for further discussion at our April meeting. Rolly Dalla Rosa pointed out that he was not receiving the "Rotarian" and Secretary Merv. undertook to contact RI and remedy this omission.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Wallace suggested that the fee for our meal at Dalewood be fixed at \$20. Several suggestions were discussed regarding the 50/50 draw. It was thought that we could perhaps maintain the dinner fee at the present \$18 and that participation in the 50/50 draw by paying \$2 would be left up to each member. No decision was made in this regard.

Bob Wallace proposed and John Mowat seconded that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Directors' Reports: All the Directors with the exception of the Community Service Director presented written reports to the Board members present, along with a report from the Fund Raising Chairman. The Club Service Director suggested that we present "Speaker's Gifts" and it was agreed that as it could be managed in that committee's budget they proceed with the proposal.

The Vocational Director submitted a letter from our Rotary Youth Chair – Russell Mark – suggesting we support the ESIS (Economics of Staying in School) campaign at Dr. Hawkin's School, The Director pointed out that only part of our commitment would be required now and that his budget had room for this. It was agreed that we would lend our support with the proviso that the remainder of our commitment be factored into that committee's budget for next Rotary year.

New Business: President Nominee Jan handed out copies of a survey she intended all members to complete so that she could complete her committee roster.

President Jim reported on the up-coming Community Clean-Up Day by school students and it was agreed that we examine the possibility of setting up a booth and providing, free of charge, hot dogs and drinks to those students participating in the clean-up. President Nominee Jan pointed out that such a proposal would be in keeping with one of Rotary's main ideals – that of a hands-on community service project visible to the community at large.

The meeting was adjourned at 2030 hours with an agreement to hold our next meeting at the home of Past President Paul Tait unless the Board Room at Dalewood was available with Secretary to contact all Board members when arrangements are finalized.

Merv. Richards,
Secretary.