

Port Hope Rotary Club
2004-2005 Board Minutes
12th. October, 2004

Present: Jim Gilmer, Jan Boycott, Bob Wallace, Rolly Dalla Rosa, Ken Jones, Peter Rossi, Ted Harp, John Mowat and Merv. Richards.

Regrets: Paul Tait and Jamieson Ross.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: It was moved by Peter Rossi, seconded by Jan Boycott, that the minutes of the meeting of September 7th. be accepted as written with the exception that the Night of 100 Dinners reference be altered to the correct description – Night of 1000 Dinners. Agreed

Business Arising: Discussion took place on our Trillium grant application with Jan Boycott bringing the status of our application up to date. We have all the info. we need for what was outlined as being missing from our proposal so we merely have to ensure that we get this to the Trillium Foundation by November 1st.

President Jim Gilmer pointed out that some of the Directors' monthly reports had been somewhat tardy. He reiterated that they should be forwarded to all the Directors 48 hours before our meeting and if this was difficult then at least 24 hours in advance. He also stated that he would forward an agenda out early in order that any Director might bring forward points in advance that they would like included in that agenda. Past Secretary Gary McWilliams had pointed out that certain work was still to be carried out on our web-page and the Board requested that before any work was actually carried out that an estimate be given and a description of changes set out so that the Board could approve or disapprove any proposed changes taking into account what costs might be involved. The Secretary was instructed to convey this decision to both Gary and Jill Connely, our web-page manager.

Discussion took place on our display at the up-coming District Conference and it was decided that we only display our fund raising proposal – the framed awards. President Jim Gilmer undertook to contact both Gary McWilliams and our Past President Paul Tait to ensure that we had permission from RI to proceed with this fund raising proposal. Ted Harp was designated to take control of the procedure for ensuring that the frames and easels, along with the brochures listing ordering and costs be readied time and to finalize these procedures at our meeting on October 25th.

Secretary's Report:: Three applications for membership were placed before the Board. Ron Coleman, Gordon Graham and Bill Harris. The Board approved the applications and the Secretary was instructed to promulgate the proposals to the membership according to our by-laws.

The attendance for the quarter ending September 30th. showed several members well below the 60% requirement and President Jim Gilmer undertook to contact several of these.

In the case of those members who satisfy the requirement that the aggregate of their age and years of membership is at least 85 the Secretary was instructed to prepare a letter for them to sign requesting permission from the Board to be released from the attendance requirements should they agree to follow this procedure.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Wallace submitted a written report to all Board members and his report was received and adopted on his motion seconded by Peter Rossi. Agreed Committee Reports: in the absence of Fund Raising Chairman his report was read by Bob Wallace. A lobster supper to be held in Rotary park is proposed at a date to be finalized. The Board agreed that to hold this lobster supper and have a gala would be too big an undertaking this year and the Board also agreed with the suggestion from Rolly Dalla Rosa that we should give the progressive dinner a rest this year.

In Jamieson's report mention was made of a Club function to be held on Friday, Feb. 25th. 2005 (100th. Anniversary Dance). However, in his report to the September meeting he reported that arrangements were in hand for a meeting combined with at least the two Cobourg Clubs to be held at the Lions' Centre in Cobourg also on the 25th.

President Jim Gilmer was to contact Jamieson to straighten out what appears to be a conflict in arrangements.

Club Service: Chairman John Mowat had previously e-mailed his report to all Board members with the exception of Peter Rossi to whom he gave a written copy..

International Service: Chairman Ken Jones also circulated a report to all members present.

Vocational Service: Director Peter Rossi distributed copies of his report to all members. Part of his report stressed the difficulties with the Youth Exchange program and discussion took place on the possibility of temporarily discontinuing this program. However, it was felt that this should be a club decision and to this end it was decided that Ron Tuttle, Ken O,Neil and Bruce Coleman should address the Club and then let the Club decide.

Peter also gave a date of December 21st. for the distribution of the Salvation Army baskets and said that he had volunteers in hand for this affair.

Community Service: Director Ted harp distributed a copy of his report to all members. With regard to the suggestion of Children's Chair – Ted Lacey – it was decided that the suggested figures be reduced to \$200 for the Sea Cadets, Army Cadets and Air Cadets and that only \$200 go towards special needs children at the Port Hope High School and only \$200 be kept for emergency situations. So that we could top up our present figure of \$73 towards the Peterborough Flood Relief Fund to a figure of \$500 it was decided that this amount come from the International Committee budget (Susan Rafuse – Chair)

General Business: With regard to our 500 Club it was decided that more promotion was needed to share the sales of tickets rather than have such sales fall on a very few members.

The Board approved the reimbursement of \$178.25 for a new camp stove on a motion by Peter Rossi, seconded by John Mowat.

It was reported by President Jim Gilmer that Past President Paul Tait wanted a photograph of the entire Club for our Centennial records and also for our web-site. It was agreed that arrangements be made to have this done. Paul also suggested that we purchase a Rotary Flag to be flown by the Town, with their permission, during the week of Rotary's 100th. anniversary. John Mowat was to look into costs of this item. Discussion also took place on the condition of our building and Chairman Ted Lacey agreed to look at the building to ascertain what was required to maintain it in a reasonable condition.

A letter from the Port Hope Racquet Club regarding our "food Building" was read and it was agreed that we give this building to that association as requested.

The next meeting is to be held on November 2nd. in the home of Treasurer Bob Wallace at 10 Campbell Road, Port Hope. Time 1900 hours.