

Port Hope Rotary Club
2004-2005 Board Minutes
4th. January, 2005

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

In the absence of President Jim Gilmer at the onset of the meeting, the meeting was conducted by President Elect Jan Boycott.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: It was moved Peter Rossi, seconded Jamieson Ross, that the minutes of the meeting of 7th. December, 2004 be accepted as written.

Business Arising: It was agreed that an up-dated "President's Message" be placed on our web-site as soon as possible.

On the matter of the status of our Trillium Grant it was pointed out that although the Directors were advised on the success of our application, according to an agreement with the Trillium Foundation no public announcement could be made until after January 25th. 2005.

On the matter of our request to the Municipal Council to declare February 2005 "Rotary International Month" it was reported that the matter was to come before Council on the same night as our Board meeting so that a decision by Council would be available almost immediately. In this regard Director John Mowat was given approval to purchase a banner for display purposes.

President Jim Gilmer having given Treasurer Bob Wallace a list of Conference attendees, the treasurer was working out the amounts for reimbursement. It was announced that the District had reimbursed Gord. Graham for the registration fees he had paid.

The Secretary reported that Jill Conley whose leave of absence expired on December 31st. 2004 would be attending as usual in 2005.

On the matter of our application to RI for a Type "4B" international licence to produce our framed certificates for sale Past President Paul Tait reported RI wanted better quality photos and a greater explanation of our material. He was to discuss these matters with Visiongate.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Merv. Richards reported on the cost of various types of "Membership Kits" and it was agreed that with the help of Visiongate, provided we knew in time of any proposed Induction of new members, we should proceed as we have done previously providing the President was able to give adequate notice of his program in this regard.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Bob Wallace, seconded by John Mowat. The matter of our insurance coverage by the District was discussed with Director Ted Harp agreeing to clarifying certain aspects of our coverage.

Directors' Reports: Each of the Directors distributed a copy of his committee report to all present. Director John Mowat spoke on the matter of recruitment and it was suggested that at the next Club Assembly Ben Currelly share with the Club how he carries out his one- to- one method of recruitment so that all members could perhaps follow his suggestions in this regard.

In further discussion on the various Directors' reports, Director Ted Harp reported that the cheque for the Army cadets had been given to Ted Lacey for presentation to this group. It was agreed that if it could be arranged that this cheque be presented at a Club meeting. Treasurer Bob Wallace suggested that this procedure be followed in any case where we make such presentations so that at least it would be seen publicly by all club members.

Director Peter Rossi brought up the matter of the available auction vouchers and pointed out that they should be made use of as soon as possible and it was decided that they be used as prizes on the bowling night scheduled for January 31st.

New Business: Ted Harp reported on the progress of the combined Club function to be held on Wednesday, February 23rd. 2005 at Dalewood. There would be seating for only 185 people so it would be a members only affair. Tickets would cost \$25 and seating would be mixed to distribute members randomly at the tables. Our Club would be undertaking a short re-enactment of the first Rotary meeting and Bob Wallace agreed to do a continuous slide show of various Club events provided photos were made available to him in adequate time.

Discussion took place again on the venue for our meetings with an agreement that a definite decision be made after trying out the next two venues – the Legion and Dalewood as it was agreed that not making such a decision was a deterrent to any membership recruitment campaign.

Treasurer Bob Wallace pointed out that if we were to use the \$2000 that our Xmas bells sales had provided and add to this \$2000 from the Community Service budget then we could donate \$4000 to Rotary Foundation especially for the "Asian Disaster relief Fund". he moved and Peter Rossi seconded that this be done with the amount be added to by a personal appeal to all Club members. It was unanimously agreed upon by all Board members.

Next Meeting : Following a motion for adjournment by Merv. Richards, seconded by Peter Rossi, it was agreed that our next meeting be held on February 1st. 2005 at the residence of Director Ted Harp, 371 Lakeshore Drive East, Cobourg (bottom of Abbott Road).