

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 6250, INC.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

VIRTUAL

APRIL 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by the President, District Governor Bill Pritchard.

Announcement of a Quorum – District Secretary Debbie Fox-Schroeder

Thirty-two-member clubs were present, constituting a quorum by representing 54% of our district clubs representing 73% of the total membership. A listing of delegates in attendance is attached and is a part of these minutes.

State of the District Report – District Governor Bill Pritchard

- Report on The Rotary Foundation – Josh Mansee

Foundation Team Highlights:

- #1 total Rotary Direct membership & #4 in Annual Fund contributions
- 180k of additional DDF (YE \$135k rollover vs 170k PY) funds put out in the world doing good via Grants
 - Sponsorship of a Global Scholar & expected Peace Fellow(s)
- Increasing momentum with the Intl Service Committee & a Global Grant (template for future projects) taking place here in D6250
- Trending in line with prior for Annual Fund, Polio is a bit behind
- 8 New Major Donors and 1 Arch Klumpf inductee
- 78% of clubs have a Foundation Chair (vs 68% PY)

- Report on District Membership – John Locke

District 6250 = 2,534 Members	Worldwide= 1,193,596 Members
July 1, 2020 = 2,629 Members	July 1, 2020 = 1,174,890 Members

25 clubs are flat or positive with their membership and 34 clubs have gone down in membership. We've disbanded one club last year, losing 18 members.

Sun Prairie, Mayville, and Lake Mills are a net positive more than 7 members this year!

District Membership Team Initiatives:

- We have awarded the first two Membership Growth Grants to Black River Falls and Caledonia We will continue this again next year along with the New Member Grant.
- The new D6250 Passport focusing on service is in the process of being formed and has about 10 of the 20 members needed to officially charter.
- The District Membership team has added a DEI Coordinator. This is in addition to the 4 District Membership Area Coordinators providing closer support to clubs. We are in need of one DMAC position to be filled still.
- Membership Leads -We have received 16 leads from RI since July 1, 4 have become members, 10 are still in process, 2 are no longer pursuing Rotary.

- Report on Public Image – Ben Bauer & Patty Hernandez
 - Built a PI Team
 - Completed Small Club PI Assessment
 - 83% of our clubs have a website
 - Almost 100% of our clubs have a social media presence
 - Almost half of our clubs don't have a designated PI chair.
 - While we have some work to do, we have so much to celebrate, so much good has happened in an interesting year.
- Report on Charitable Trust – No Report

The District 6250 Charitable Trust is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit entity created to assist smaller Clubs within our District by granting the benefits of a foundation without incurring the additional costs of establishing one. The Trust also provides our District the ability to raise tax-deductible funds in support of disaster relief as well as Rotary initiatives, such as Interact, Youth Exchange, and (of course!) polio eradication.

- Report on Council of Legislation – No Report

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the annual business meeting of June 20, 2020 were not read because they had previously been distributed.

A motion to approve the *minutes from the business meeting* of June 20, 2020 was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

Approval of the 2019 – 2020 Financial Statements – District Treasurer Dick Spencer

District Treasurer Dick Spencer presented the Financial Statements.

To comply with the policy of Rotary International relative to the reporting of District financial information, we are required to present the financial statements for approval at the next annual meeting of the clubs following the fiscal year end.

The most recently completed fiscal year, as of this meeting, is June 30, 2020. The financial statements for that year end have been provided to the clubs and their respective voting members with the documents distributed for this meeting.

Section 16.060.4 of the RI Manual of Procedure outlines the process for the review of the District's financial statements.

On December 18, 2020, Scott Haumersen, a CPA and member of the Rotary Club of Madison, and Cheryl Mader, a CPA, and a member of the Prairie du Chien Rotary Club, Valorie Schroeder, a CPA and a member of the Madison After Hour Club and Todd Restel, a CPA who is the chair of the District's Finance Committee and member of the Rotary Club of La Crosse served as the financial review committee for the District.

- The committee reviewed the financial records related to the financial statements of the District, and District Governor Edwin Bos' expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 and have submitted their report to the District's Board of Directors.
- A copy of their report has been included in the meeting packet provided to each club and their respective voting members.

At June 30, 2020 the District had a cash balance of approximately \$275,000 and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 revenues exceed expenses by approximately \$1,300.

A motion to approve the 2019 – 2020 Financial Statements was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

Approval of 2021-2022 District Budget and District Member Dues

District Finance Chair Todd Restel

Budget for \$65,710 loss for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The finance committee is recommending that we maintain the dues at \$40 per member. The intent is to keep a reserve balance of 55% of the operating balance.

A motion to approve the **2021-2022 District Operating Budget** was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

Question from the floor –

Board Member Elections

The District Nominating Committee has nominated two at-large members to the District 6250 Board of Directors for 2020-21. The nominating committee nominates At-Large Member Justin Burnett (Rotary Club of Madison After Hours), and Mike Dillis (Rotary Club of Madison South).

Motion to approve members Justin Burnett (Rotary Club of Madison After Hours), and Mike Dillis (Rotary Club of Madison South) to the **District Board of Directors** was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

Confirmation of District Governor Nominee Designate

Bill Pritchard for the District Nominating Committee chaired by Bill Hoel, PDG, presents the **District Governor Nominee Designate 2023-24**. The nominating committee nominates, Michelle McGrath, Rotary Club of Madison, as District Governor Nominee Designate 2023-24.

Motion to approve Michelle McGrath, Rotary Club of Madison, as **District Governor Nominee Designate 2023-24** was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

Approval of the Vice Governor

Motion to approve Edwin Bos, Rotary Club of Fort Atkinson was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

The District Nominating Committee for District Governor Nominee Designate

Motion to approve the nominating committee (see below) for the District Governor Nominee Designate for 2024-25 was made by General Consensus. No objections. Approved.

Nominating Committee for District Governor Nominee 2024-25

- o Edwin Bos, Rotary Club of Fort Atkinson
- o Bill Pritchard, Rotary Club of La Crosse After Hours
- o Karen Hebert, Rotary Club of Chippewa Valley After Hours
- o Ben Bauer, Rotary Club of Marshfield Sunrise
- o Michelle McGrath, Rotary Club of Madison
- o Mick Gilbertson, Rotary Club of Janesville Noon
- o Mary Kaminski, Rotary Club of Beloit

New Business: No New Business.

Announcement of 2022-2023 Meeting to be held April 29, 2022 at the Osthoff Resort, in Elkhart Lake WI.

Thank you everyone.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:31 PM.

2021 Annual Business Meeting - Attendance

Number of Clubs in District 6250 = 59	District Clubs Represented = 32	Percent of Clubs Represented = 54%
Number of Members in District 6250 = 2,571	District Members Represented = 1873	Percent of Club Represented = 73%
Total Number of Elector Votes = 105	District Elector Votes Represented = 73	Percent of Elector Votes Represented = 70%

Club Name	Members	Electors	Name 1	Name 2	Name 3	Name 4	Name 5
Baraboo	34	1	Rebecca Oettinger				
Beaver Dam	31	1	Dennis Levenhagen				
Beloit	54	2	Mary Kaminski				
Black River Falls	33	1	Carol Martin				
Caledonia, MN	23	1	Sherry Sime				
Chippewa Falls	48	2	Mark Broses				
Chippewa Valley After Hours	21						
Columbus/Fall River	22	1	Henry St. Maurice				
De Forest Area	23						
Eau Claire	42	2	Char Gurney				
Eau Claire Morning	18						
Edgerton	34						
Fitchburg-Verona	17	1	Bill Pritchard - Proxy				
Fort Atkinson	44						
Granton	14						
Holmen Area	33	1	Tom Knoblock				
Janesville	80	3	Randall Lebakken;	Lynn Wood			
Janesville Morning	41	2	Laura Peterson	Jere Johnson			
Jefferson	28						
La Crescent	26	1	David Ebner				
La Crosse	186	7	Andrew Bakkum Todd Retel	Sarah Arndt Beyer	Bill Hoel	Chuck Hanson	Eva Marie Restel
La Crosse After Hours	60	2	Marissa Dickenson	Josh Mansee			
La Crosse East	36	1	Jeff Sexauer				
La Crosse-Valley View	58	2	Mark Etrheim	Janie Morgan			
Lake Mills	46	2	Bill Pritchard - Proxy	Jenn Christian			
Lodi	19						

Madison	425	17	Karen Kendrick-Hands Pat Jenkins	Ellsworth Brown, Jorge Hidalgo	Teresa Holmes	Jason Beren	Bob Schumacher
Madison After Hours	28	1	Erin Luken				
Madison Breakfast	25	1	Erin Hastey				
Madison East-Monona	15	1	Harry Ripp				
Madison Horizons	20						
Madison South	69	3	Bill Pritchard - Proxy	Erin West	Mary Beth Growney Salene		
Madison West	34						
Madison West Towne-Middleton	54	2	Kathy Roberg				
Marshfield	38	1	Diane Meissner				
Marshfield Sunrise	52	2	Pat Gall	Becky Huebner- Leu			
Mayville	38						
Medford Morning	18	1	Steve Helwig				
Menomonie	52	2	George Brewes	Sue Beety			
Menomonie-Sunrise	33						
Mt. Horeb	23						
Onalaska	13						
Onalaska Hilltoppers	30						
Oregon	35						
Portage	25						
Prairie du Chien	25						
Richland County	22						
Southwestern WI - Platteville	15						
Sparta	25						
Stoughton	45	2	Jason Guerin				
Sun Prairie	44	2	Ann Oberle				
Tomah	27						
Viroqua	9						
Watertown	45						
Waunakee	86	3	Jim Kattner	Phil Wilhems;			
Waupun	14						
Wisconsin Dells	28						
Wisconsin Rapids	52	2	Matthew Ironside	Warren Miller			
Wisconsin Rapids-Sunrise	36						