

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 6250, INC.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

LA CROSSE, WI

MAY 12, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 am by the President, District Governor Dean McHugh.

Announcement of a Quorum – District Secretary Debbie Fox-Schroeder

Thirty-four-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 Dean McHugh

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the annual business meeting of May 21, 2016 were not read because they had previously been distributed.

A motion to approve the *minutes from the business meeting* of May 21, 2016 was made by Bill Hoel, Rotary Club of La Crosse and seconded by Rob Stroud, Rotary Club of Madison. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Approval of the 2015 – 2016 Financial Statements – District Governor Dean McHugh

District Governor Dean McHugh presented the Financial Statements.

A motion to approve the 2015 – 2016 Financial Statements was made by Linda Olson, Rotary Club of Waunakee and seconded by Chuck Gibbons, Rotary Club of WI Rapids. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Approval of 2017-2018 District Budget and District Member Dues

District Treasurer Dick Spencer, District Governor-Elect Joe Ruskey

A motion to approve the *2017-2018 District Operating Budget* was made by Dean Ryerson, Rotary Club of West Towne Middleton and seconded by Mark Shubring, Rotary Club of Stoughton. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Board Member Elections

The District Nominating Committee has nominated four at-large members to the District 6250 Board of Directors for 2017-18. The nominating committee nominates At-Large Member Bill Pritchard (Rotary Club of La Crosse After Hours), Kaylynn Stahlbusch (Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls After Hours), Linda Olson (Rotary Club of Waunakee), and Chris Smith (Rotary Club of Menomonie).

Motion to approve members Bill Pritchard (Rotary Club of La Crosse After Hours), Kaylynn Stahlbusch (Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls After Hours), Linda Olson (Rotary Club of Waunakee), and Chris Smith (Rotary Club of Menomonie) to the ***District Board of Directors*** was made by Sandee Macht, Rotary Club of Lake Mills and seconded by Bob Spencer, Rotary Club of La Crescent. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Confirmation of District Governor Nominee

Dean McHugh for the District Nominating Committee chaired by Dave Warren, PDG, presents the ***District Governor Nominee Designate 2019-20***. The nominating committee nominates, Edwin Bos, Rotary Club of Fort Atkinson, as District Governor Nominee Designate 2019-20.

Motion to approve Edwin Bos (Fort Atkinson) as ***District Governor Nominee Designate 2019-20*** was made by Mark Etrheim, Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View and seconded by Rob Stroud, Rotary Club of Madison. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Approval of the Vice Governor

Motion to approve Mary Van Hout, Rotary Club of Madison West Town Middleton was made by Dean Dickinson, Rotary Club of La Crosse and seconded by Linda Olson, Rotary Club of Waunakee All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Approval of the District's Representative to the Council on Legislation & Alternate

Motion to approve Rout Stroud, Rotary Club of Madison and Chuck Hanson, Rotary Club of La Crosse as Alternate was made by Mary Van Hout, Rotary Club of Madison West Town Middleton and seconded by Dick Spencer, Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View . All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

The District Nominating Committee for District Governor Nominee Designate

Motion to approve the nominating committee (see below) for the District Governor Nominee Designate for 2020-21 was made by Rebecca Vanderloop, Rotary Club of Mayville and seconded by Linda Olson, Rotary Club of Waunakee. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee for District Governor Nominee 2020-21

- Mary Van Hout, Rotary Club of Madison West Town Middleton
- Dean McHugh, Rotary Club of Holmen
- Joe Ruskey, Rotary Club of Prairie Du Chien
- Bill Hoel, Rotary Club of La Crosse
- Edwin Bos, Rotary Club of Fort Atkinson
- Darla Leick, Rotary Club of Marshfield
- Jerry Kuehl, Rotary Club of Eau Claire

Report on District Membership

Mark Broses, Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls reported to the District on Membership. This year we have added a co-chair for membership Kaylynn Stahlbusch, Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls After Hours. Mark and Kaylynn are working together to continue to support clubs in their efforts to increase membership.

Report on Council on Legislation – PDG Dean Dickinson

Proposed Enactment: To Restate the Object of Rotary by the Rotary Club of La Crosse.

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL & THE STANDARD CLUB CONSITUTION be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 11 and 87-88 of the MOP)

ARTICLE 4 Object

The Object of Rotary is to ~~encourage and~~ foster through fellowship the ideal of service ~~as a basis of worth~~ enterprise and, in particular to ~~encourage and foster:~~

First. — ~~The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;~~

Second. To expect high ethical standards in all that we think, say, and do; ~~business and professions; the~~ to recognize recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations and ~~the dignifying of~~ to understand that each Rotarian's the occupation of each Rotarian as provides an opportunity to service society;

Third. To encourage Rotarians to apply ~~The application of~~ the ideal of service in ~~each all all~~ Rotarian's personal, ~~business and community life;~~ aspects of their lives;

Fourth. To advance ~~The advancement of~~ international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of ~~business and professional persons~~ people and organizations united in the ideal of service.

THE RESTATED OBJECT OF ROTARY

ARTICLE 4 Object

The Object of Rotary is to foster through fellowship the ideal of service;

To expect high ethical standards in all that we think, say and do; to recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations; and to understand that the occupation of each Rotarian provides an opportunity to serve society;

To encourage Rotarians to apply the idea of service in all aspects of their lives;

To advance international understanding goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of people and organizations united in the ideal of service.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT STATEMENT

The Object of Rotary is one of the foundational documents of Rotary International. All Rotarians should understand and be conversant in the Object of Rotary as it bears directly upon the Rotary Motto, Service Above Self, the Four Way Test of the things we think, say, and do and the five core values of Rotary, Fellowship, Leadership, Integrity, Diversity and Service.

The restatement of the Object of Rotary creates congruency with recent actions of the Council on Legislation relating to the qualifications for membership as is evidenced in Section 2 (a)(3)(4)(5)(6) of the Constitution of Rotary International.

Composed in an earlier time the language and word structure of the current version of the Object of Rotary is difficult to master. The restated Object of Rotary, in its simplicity, will lend itself to a broader understanding of what is essential in our purpose as Rotarians.

The motion to **approve the Enactment** was made by Bill Hoel, Rotary Club of La Crosse and seconded by Pat Boge, Rotary Club of La Crosse. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

TO PROVIDED THE PROPER SEQUENCE TO EXPRESS THE VALUES OF ROTARY

Proposed by the Rotary Club of La Crosse, Wisconsin, USA

WHEREAS, The membership of Rotary International should be aware of the five core values of the organization,

WHEREAS, The membership should be conversant in the proper expression and understanding of the five core values of Rotary International

WHEREAS, The proper expression of the five core values of Rotary International should be congruent with the other foundational documents of the organization,

WHEREAS, The historical development of Rotary began as an opportunity fellowship, leaders were identified, an ethical model was created, diversity was evident in the recruitment of new members and the foregoing resulted in opportunities for service,

WHEREAS, The Object of Rotary, one of the foundational documents of Rotary International clearly enunciates that Rotary involvement begins with Fellowship that creates opportunities in each of Rotary's Five Avenues of Service,

WHEREAS, In its historical development Rotary began as an opportunity for fellowship, leaders were identified, an ethical model was created, diversity was evident in the recruitment of new members and the foregoing resulted in opportunities for service,

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

The proper sequence for the expression of the five core values of Rotary International, in all forms of communication, is:

Fellowship, Leadership, Integrity, Diversity and Service

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The members of Rotary International can look to four foundational documents, or precepts, that provide guidance and support to our aspirations in advancing the ideals of Rotary. They include the Mission Statement, Four Way Test, the Object of Rotary and the Five Core Values of the organization.

There should be congruency in the expression and full understanding of those foundational precepts by those who are members of Rotary International. The stated Object of Rotary begins with the “development of acquaintance, “ a synonym for fellowship, that creates opportunities for service provided by our members in our communities and the international community. Integrity is central and lends itself to the moral authority of Rotary. The adoption of this resolution will bring the expression of the Five Core Values of Rotary into congruency with the Object of Rotary and lend itself to a more complete and comprehensive understanding of what it is that provides guidance and support to the organization and to our members.

The motion to ***approve the Resolution*** was made by Dave Warren, Rotary Club of Janesville and seconded by Chris Smith Rotary Club of Menomonie. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Report on Charitable Trust – PDG Chuck Hanson

New Business:

District Treasurer Dick Spencer, Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View thanked Ed Smith, Rotary Club of Stoughton and Scott Haumersen, Rotary Club of Madison for their work on the District Audit Committee. New this year, Rotary International required a financial review of District financial statements.

The motion to ***adjourn the meeting*** was made by Bill Hoel, Rotary Club of La Crosse and seconded by Chuck Hanson, Rotary Club of La Crosse. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Announcement of 2017-2018 Meeting to be held May 4, 2018 at WI Dells.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 AM.

**Rotary District 6250
2017 Annual Business Meeting**

34 Clubs Represented •
2,054 Members Represented •
83 Electors Votes •

District Total 63 Clubs • **54% represented**
District Total 2,829 Members • **73% represented**
District 118 Total Electors • **70% represented**

Delegate Electors in Attendance:

Club Name	Members	Electors	Name 1	Name 2	Name 3	Name 4
Baraboo	42	2				
Beaver Dam	32	1	Dennis G Levenhagen			
Beloit	64	3				
Black River Falls	38	2				
Caledonia, MN, USA	30	1				
Chippewa Falls	67	3	Bill Shepard			
Chippewa Valley After Hours	25	1	Kaylynn Stahlbusch			
DeForest Area	15	1				
Eau Claire	40	2				
Eau Claire Morning	16	1	Michael Kloss			
Edgerton	35	1	Proxy Elector - see below			
Fitchburg-Verona	23	1	Susan Mach			
Fort Atkinson	46	2	Dwight Heaney			
Granton	18	1	John Richmond			
Holmen Area	35	1	Dean McHugh			
Horicon	14	1	Rita Clavandatscher			
Janesville	102	4	Dave Warren			
Janesville Morning	32	1	Kelli Cameron			
Jefferson	26	1	Ellen Waldmer			
La Crescent	19	1	Robert Spencer			
La Crosse	170	7	JackHaase Tammy Woods	Bill Hoel Patt Boge (2)	Dean Dickinson (2)	
La Crosse After Hours	74	3	Laura Hundt		Josh Mansee	
La Crosse East	37	1	Randy Van Rooyen			
La Crosse-Valley View	69	3	Dick Spencer			
Lake Mills	41	2	Sandee Macht			
Lodi	21	1	Doug Richmond			
Madison	504	20	Rob Stroud	Lew Harned		
Madison After Hours	25	1				
Madison Breakfast	24	1				
Madison East-Monona	14	1	Harry Ripp			
Madison Horizons	25	1				
Madison South	79	3	Mike Dillis			
Madison West	41	2				
Madison West Towne-Middleton	64	3	Dean Ryerson	Mary Van Hout (2)		
Marshfield Sunrise	62	2	Larry Clouse	Ben Bauer		
Mayville	35	1	Rebecca Vanderloop			
Medford Morning	23	1				
Menomonie	51	2				
Menomonie-Sunrise	31	1				
Mt. Horeb	35	1				
Neillsville	11	1				
Onalaska	22	1	Dan Kusilek			
Onalaska Hilltoppers	30	1				
Oregon	41	2				
Portage	29	1				
Prairie du Chien	36	1	Joe Ruskey			
Reedsburg/Western Sauk County	16	1				
Sauk Prairie Area	7	1				
Southwestern WI - Platteville	17	1				
Sparta	19	1				
Stoughton	45	2	Mark Schubring			
Sun Prairie	51	2	Debbie Fox-Schroeder			
Tomah	26	1				
Viroqua	15	1	Gary Brunsluk			
Watertown	55	2	Josh Macht			
Waunakee	88	4	Linda Olson			
Waupun	22	1				
Wisconsin Dells	32	1				
Wisconsin Rapids	82	3	Charles Gibbons			
Wisconsin Rapids-Sunrise	41	2				

Clubs Represented by Proxy:

Club Name	Members	Electors	Proxy Elector
Edgerton	35	1	Dave Warren, Rotary Club of Janesville