

# The Holland Noon Rotary Club Board Minutes

Date: July 19, 2022



## Attendance:

### Present

Catherine Ristola Bass (Chair), Elizabeth Scott (President), Kathy DeVries (Incoming President), Bev Loughlin (Treasurer), Larry Schuyler (Administrator), David Meier (Sergeant at Arms), Charlie Soria (2023), Jim Hagel (2024), , Janet Huyser (2025), Jim White (2025), Gary Bogle (2025).

### Absent

John Hoekstra (Secretary)

### Guests

none

## Business

1. Call to Order. **Action>** Elizabeth called the meeting to order at 11:03am.
2. Treasurer's report: We had a net income of \$6,200 for this past year. We discussed our dues structure, our budget and the P&L. Absentee billing is currently extended to four snowbird members according to our policy set in the Oct 2021 club board minutes. (This had been slightly liberalized from the original in reaction to covid.) Bev proposed the board give her leeway in extending this at her discretion and the board added that the Treasurer needs to keep the board and the Membership committee apprised of the names of those members who use this service. **Action>** approved. Guest fees were also discussed at length with a desire to encourage the invitation of prospective members. An affirmation of the current policy of 2 free guest lunches per member was proposed by Elizabeth and Catherine asked instead that we abide by the policy as set out in the Club Manual. **Action>** Catherine sent by email a copy of the manual to each board member for their review. **Action>** last year's financials were accepted as reported.
3. President's report: Elizabeth's goals are to grow the club in impact and service. RI has asked that clubs commit to increase diversity in age and ethnicity. We can best accomplish these complimentary aims through community connections. We need to invite people to club and join in service to our community. Elizabeth re-shared the member recommendations from the strategic planning session.
4. Membership: Terry DeHaan has stepped down from Membership and Kris Reinhardt has resigned from club. Janet Huyser volunteered to co-chair if a partner can be identified.
5. PR: this committee consists primarily of John Hoekstra maintaining the website and Elizabeth and Catherine and some others posting to FB.
6. Club Admin: Larry suggested ES and KDV meet to synthesize the strategic planning many points into the strategies they desire for the next two years and beyond. DG report submissions due Aug 10 for the Aug 18 DG visit/board meeting. Jim White suggested the report be shared with the DG a few days before the meeting for review as the Holland report was the most comprehensive one in the district when he was DG.
7. Adjourn. **Action>** Elizabeth adjourned the meeting at 12:20pm.

Catherine Ristola Bass, meeting recorder

# The Holland Noon Rotary Charities Board Minutes

Date: July 19, 2022



## Attendance:

### Present

Catherine Ristola Bass (Chair), Elizabeth Scott (President), Kathy DeVries (Incoming President), Bev Loughlin (Treasurer), David Meier (Sergeant at Arms), Larry Schuyler (Administrator), Jim Hagel (2024), Janet Huyser (2025), Jim White (2025), Gary Bogle (2025).

### Absent

Charlie Soria (2023), John Hoekstra (Secretary)

### Guests

None

## Business:

1. Call to Order: **Action>** Elizabeth called the meeting to order at 12:23pm.
2. June 2022 minutes: **Action>** approved, with one abstention.
3. Treasurer's report: We currently have \$59,824.58 in the charitable fund. We were reminded that the big payout shown on the books was to finish the Windmill Island bench project. The board will need to raise \$21K if we are to fully fund our charitable commitments for this year. We reviewed this past year's financials overall. **Action>** approved.
4. President's report: The most pressing item is for ES to meet with Kathy and get a FR team going to meet our budget goals.
5. Community Service: Gary reported how Eagle Crest Charter school closed its library and donated around 10,000 books to our club for our Bookhouses. 10 volunteers showed up with 24 hours notice and moved them to Herrick and to John Gronberg's storage. Club and Grace Episcopal worked together to do the summer highway clean up. Elizabeth pointed out how teaming with other community partners is a good working model for us to accomplish service.
6. Youth: Catherine reported on RYE -> 2 outbounds, Brisa Sanchez-Vasquez (Taiwan) and Kierian Overbeek (India) will leave late summer, Inbound Maria Liz (Brazil) will arrive around Aug 12. CRB will connect with the new college advisor (past Jr Rotarian) at HHS to get them back into sending us Jr Rotarians, WOHS and HCHS have been steady. Jim White, Ed Swart, and Marvin Younger met with HPS super Nick Cassidy and he prefers Interact to start at HMS and then build to HHS. We hope this relationship will also help restore our Leaders program. Catherine also reported on behalf of Russ Miller that the Hope College Rotaract club is defunct as of 6/30/22 due to a failure to thrive.
7. International Service: Kathy (chair) and Bev are working to get a check out to the Kenya Homa Bay project. Kathy needs a sense of the board's financial plan in order to discern which projects to pursue. We think the club has an interest in continuing Pine Ridge, we also have WEHOP and HHOP on the books. The Eldoret silage project line

item has \$815.36, Kathy moved for a wire transfer cost to complete this project be paid for out of this amount and the balance be rolled over into the International Service budget. **Action>** approved.

8. Adjourn. **Action>** Elizabeth adjourned the meeting at 12:55pm.

Catherine Ristola Bass, meeting recorder