

The Holland Noon Rotary Club Board Minutes

Date: January 15, 2024



Attendance:

Present

Catherine Ristola Bass (Chair), Kathy DeVries (President), John Hoekstra (Secretary), Chuck Warren (Treasurer), Loren Meengs (2027)

Absent

Howard Fink (Incoming President), vacant (President-Elect), David Meier (Sergeant at Arms), Jim Hagel (2024), Janet Huyser (2025), Jim White (2025), Mark Recoulley (2026), Michael Moraw (2026)

Guests

none

Business

1. Call to Order. **Action>** Catherine called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. There was no quorum so no business could be transacted. It was decided to continue the meeting and discuss the items without taking any action.
2. No errors were found in the November minutes, but they could not be approved.
3. The financial reports were viewed, but their acceptance will wait until next month.
4. Kathy reviewed her presidential goals at this half-way mark of the Rotary year.
 - a. Our membership goal for the year end is 57 active members. We are currently at 43.
 - b. Kathy is asking Russ Miller and Jim Crozier to head up the Membership Committee. There were no objections.
 - c. Kathy noted that the list of Honorary Members on rotary.org includes deceased members. John volunteered to check the RI list against our list on ClubRunner to see if there is a problem with RI not being up-to-date. He will follow up with Bob Nida as needed.
 - d. Goal is to have 1 media release on a program. Kathy is thinking that the Heartsafe initiative would be a good project. She will ask Andy B and Linda F to work on a release.
 - e. The goal for service hours is 25 hours. We have probably far exceeded this, but will need to document hours.
 - f. Kathy set a goal of 3 social events for this year. She will ask the membership committee to plan these.
 - g. We are hoping to send 3 Rotarians to the District Conference on May 3-4 at Double JJ Ranch.
 - h. We would like to have 3 people trained for grant management. Ed Swart is planning on taking the training, so we need 2 more.
 - i. Our annual fund contribution goal is \$5700, of which we are credited with \$4100. We only need \$4300 to meet the EREY goal (43 members * \$100).
 - j. Kathy set a goal of 3 service projects, which we believe we have met already.

- k. Our Polio Plus contribution goal is \$1000 and we only have credit for \$550. This didn't seem correct and John will see if he can figure out whether the club is getting credited with on-line giving through the myrotary website. Chuck wasn't sure whether we had sent the \$2000 budget amount for Polio Plus to RI yet. He will take care of getting this money to the foundation.
 - l. Kathy had set a goal of 1 exchange student. Unfortunately, there will be none during her rotary year. We do have 2 students for next Rotary year.
5. Mark Meyers is transferring from the Muskegon club and he has been approved by our membership. It was decided that we should go ahead and induct him at his convenience. The board could vote on this by email.
 6. John did not receive responses from the entire board about preferred meeting days, so no action was taken to change our meeting time.
 7. Adjourn. **Action**> Catherine adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.

John Hoekstra, secretary

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Business

1. Call to Order. **Action>** Catherine called the meeting to order at 7:33pm
2. There was not a quorum present so minutes could not be approved and financial reports could not be accepted.
3. John reported that the Photo Contest fundraising group is ready to begin another contest in March.
4. It is not clear whether the restaurant fundraiser around Valentines Day is moving forward. Kathy will check with Linda.
5. Loren Meengs agreed to be the coordinator for the visit of the Ugandan Rotarians visiting us 1-4 May. Unfortunately, this is both Tulip Time and the District 6290 conference. There will be 7-9 Rotarians in this group.
6. On the 25th of January Catherine is planning to have a game show style reveal of the countries for the outbound exchange students.
7. Ed Swart was going to look into the challenged students event at West Ottawa. He has not reported back yet.
8. The contract for facilities for the Leaders of the 21st Century has been signed with Hope College.
9. As was reported at our last club meeting, the scholarship for exchange students has been established in memory of Tom Bos at the community foundation of holland and Zeeland. Catherine reports that it costs about \$2500/year to host a student.
10. Adjourn. **Action>** Catherine adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm.

John Hoekstra, secretary