

# The Holland Noon Rotary Charities Board Minutes

Date: November 13, 2024



## Attendance:

### Present

Kathy DeVries (Chair), Howard Fink (President), vacant (Incoming President), vacant (President-Elect), John Hoekstra (Secretary), David Meier (Sergeant at Arms), Janet Huyser (2025), Michael Moraw (2026), Loren Meengs (2027)

### Absent

Chuck Warren (Treasurer), Jim White (2025), Mark Recoulley (2026)

### Guests

none

## Business

1. Call to Order. **Action>** Kathy called the meeting to order at 7:22 pm
2. Kathy reported that she has a meeting this week with the pickleball event planner to start work for the 2025 tournament.
3. Our club received a \$5,000 matching grant from District 6290 for the Leaders of the 21st Century program. The After Hours club will raise \$2500, and we will raise \$2500 toward the match. The MACC has grant money available for local projects, and Ed will apply for money toward the conference from them.
4. The HANWASH project was awarded district grant money against an already existing donation. This gives the project \$7,000 of the \$16,000 needed for the engineering study for water distribution.
5. A noodle fundraiser is planned for Feb 1 to raise money for the HeartSafe initiative. This will be a ticketed event where numerous restaurants will be contributing noodle dishes. Linda Falstaff is taking the lead on this event. The goal is to have 200 people attend.
6. John asked permission to add a donations page to the website for the Leaders conference. There is already a general donations page and a HeartSafe initiative page. This was approved and it was suggested that specific pages be added for all our charitable projects.
7. 5 Ugandan Rotarians from our partner club are hoping to visit in March of next year. We need to provide what they need for the visa applications.
8. There was a discussion about the lack of coordinated fundraising. What is happening is that individual committees are fundraising only for their projects. No action was taken. It was suggested that there could be another photo contest.
9. Adjourn. **Action>** Kathy adjourned the meeting at 8:02 pm.

John Hoekstra, secretary

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1. Call to Order. **Action>** Kathy called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm
2. There was a discussion concerning the continuance of the club in its current form. Major concerns were the cost of meals and the lack of committee participation. Possible alternative locations and meal arrangements were discussed. The possibility of one brown bag or low-cost meal a month with the savings donated toward charity was discussed.
3. It was decided that one week a month would be reserved for committee meetings. There will be a meal, and the rest of the time will be dedicated to committee meetings. There could be 2 time slots to allow each Rotarian to participate in multiple committees. This will begin in January. Kathy and Howard will work out the details. The committees will report to the club at the end of the meeting.
4. Adjourn. **Action>** Kathy adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

John Hoekstra, secretary