ROTARY CLUB OF CINCINNATI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING MINUTES

#### February 15, 2018

**1:30 p.m.**

### Hilton Netherland Plaza Hotel - Julep Room

### Al Koncius, President

**MEMBERS:**

Al Koncius, President P Melinda Kelly P

Dave Carlin, Secr/Treasurer P Janet Metzelaar P

Fred Fischer, Foundation President E Deborah Schultz P

Jack Scott, Past President P Brett Lebhar P

Rick Flynn, President-Elect P Janet Burns E

Susan Wilkinson, Foundation P Drew Emmert P

President-Elect (ex-officio) Bryan Vielhauer P

Marc Horwitz E Sam Scoggins, Legal Advisor E

Jocile Ehrlich E to the Club Board (ex-officio)

**Also Present**: Linda Muth, Executive Director

## Call to Order President Al Koncius called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

## Approval of Minutes

## Motion Approved: that the minutes of the January 11, 2018, meeting be approved with the following two corrections: Page 4, “manage” versus management and “Sean” versus “Shawn”.

Dave Carlin presented the January 2018 financial statements.

Motion Approved: that the January 2018 financial statements be received.

**Concerning Membership: Classification Committee Report**

Motion Approved: that the following requests for termination be received with regret:

**REQUEST FOR TERMINATION**

**KESSINGER**, Charmaine \*Left the organization

Status: Active

Joined: 10/22/2016

Line of Business: Human Services, Child & Adolescent

**MATHIS,** Martin \*Moved out of town

Status: Active

Joined: 4/22/2017

Line of Business: Human Services, Child & Adolescent

**ONO**, Santa

Status: Corporate \*Left the organization

Joined: ?? (replaced)

Line of Business: Corporate

**PETERSON**, George W.

Status: Active – YP \*Changed careers, not local

Joined: 2/20/2016

Line of Business: Consulting, General

**ROTH**, Michael L.

Status: Senior Active \*Moved to Florida

Joined: 7/29/1999

Line of Business: Consulting, Training

**SAMMARCO**, Dr. Lakshmi K.

Status: Active\*Membership withdrawn,

Joined: 6/17/2017 cannot attend (Board

Line of Business: Physician approved)

Motion Approved: that the following requests for change in status be approved:

**REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN STATUS**

**MacCONNELL**, Stephen T.

From: Active To: Senior Active

Years in Rotary: 18

\*Qualifies according to Section 5.6 of the Constitution

Motion Approved: that the following requests for a leave of absence be approved:

**REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**DENNEDY**, Sean

Reason: Work-Related Time Commitments

First LOA Request   
Joined: 10/21/2010

**POST-ZALKIND**, Elizabeth

Reason: New Baby - Work-Related Time Commitments

First LOA Request   
Joined: 4/9/2016

**ZUMBIEL**, Tania

Reason: New Business - Work-Related Time Commitments

First LOA Request   
Joined: 10/10/2015

**ZOOK**, Jonathan

Reason: Work-Related Time Commitments

First LOA Request   
Joined: 4/22/2017

**Executive Director Report**Linda Muth shared that the past-due members from the January-June billing cycle. The assigned board members will follow up with those who haven’t paid.

**Committee/Director Reports**

**Marc Horwitz – Club Meetings**

No Report

**Dave Carlin – Membership Development**

Dave reported that a prospective member event was held at Hyde Park Country Club on February 7th breakfast. Mother Nature didn’t cooperate only seven of the 16 registered prospective members were able to attend. Dave shared that we will be having a membership month that begins with the Jefferson Award on March 1st and ends with an opening day breakfast at Kenwood.

**Janet Burns – Classification/Women in Rotary**

Linda Muth shared Janet’s report on Women in Rotary committee had a movie night and showed Silvia Wittlock video of her District Conference presentation. They held a meeting on February 8, 2018, to discuss future activities/service projects. The next event will be a St. Patrick’s party planned for March 15, 2018, at the Irish Heritage Center. This will be a prospective member event as part of the Membership Month. The cost will be $15 unless you bring a prospective member, then it will be free for both of you.

**Rick Flynn – New Membership   
New Member Orientation – Carl Kappes**

The last New Member Orientation on January 25, 2018, with 5 in attendance. The next New Member Orientation will be March 1st.

**New Member Reception – Larry Cunningham**

The next reception is scheduled for March 20, 2018.

**New Member Project – Claudia Cagle**

The next New Member Project will be in the Spring 2018 and is yet to be determined.

**Roadmap to Success – Bud & Mary Dornette**

Additional New Member Advisors are needed.

Rick led a lengthy discussion on the quality and quantity of members and his thoughts on the direction the club should be taking in seeking quality candidates to expand our roster of members.

**Bryan Vielhauer – Club Social Activities**

Bryan had nothing new to report.

**Drew Emmert – Membership Engagement**

**Fred Fischer – Foundation Matters**

Fred asked for the board members to support B2A by attending the event and donating a silent auction item.

**Deborah Schultz – International Service**

Middletown Rotary is giving us $500 for the project.

Nate and team will return February 22. Richard, Don, Nate and I have a teleconference set up for February 28.

The plan is to get cracking on writing the Global Grant in March.

Richard had assurances that the District will put up $12,500 and he attended the grant meeting.

Nathan and I will be on Cincinnati Edition, sometime in March, he remotely.

District Newsletter ran an article and photo of the project two weeks ago.

Though I will receive a report on the book situation from Nate when he gets back, I have laid some groundwork.

\*I believe our Walnut Hills Interact Club may raise funds for the book project. Will confirm with Madeleine.

•I have contacted two new members to get involved with this aspect of the project—Toni Otchere who has done a school book project in Ghana and seemed interested in joining

the WAC and Jodi Rominger who I asked to join WAC and work on the book part of this project. Both seem eager. I also have an e-mail into Mary Ronan. There are several schools in the area that need our help and Nate wrote me, none of books to speak of. I am hoping she can help me in finding CPS schools that may want to adopt one of these schools to help. I’ve done this kind of thing often with my Middfest International work. Amazingly, even poorer schools and students get busy and excited over helping someone with even less. But at this stage it is just something I want to try. Never hurts to

**Janet Metzelaar – Community Service**

Hands on service will be scheduling a Ronald McDonald House on March 6, 2018. The Jefferson Award Committee made their selection for finalist for the award last week.

**Brett Lebhar – Youth Service**

Brett shared that the RYLA Committee received 25 applications and they will narrow it down to 10

He said the 4-way speech contest is next week and the planning is coming along well for the program. He said that he has been working with the current Rotaract chairs and will be meeting with Sam Schutte and Russell Smith next Thursday to layout plans for resurrecting the Community-Based Rotaract Club.

**Jocile Ehrlich – Fundraising and Special Activities**

**Split the Pot - Bob McElroy**: Generated $5,866 with 20 weeks left in the Rotary year.  We didn't hit this dollar amount till the 1st week of June last year!  Good job, Linda, keeping that queen hidden.

**Meeting Sponsorships - Shirley Love:**  She has made calls to all members of Rotary who have joined since 2016 and will begin working backwards next (those who have joined in 2015, then 2014, etc.). Many are interested and have asked her  to call them in a few weeks to nail it down better.  She spoke with Terry Dean who had committed to sponsoring during the first week of March, but has to reschedule in April.  Also, Steve Adams has agreed to host a RAH at his office building, apparently it has a nice bar area. He is also willing to sponsor the meeting that same week . He just doesn't know what his date for the RAH is yet.  Scott Brendamour is definitely interested in sponsoring, but he wants to do it in June or July.  Robin Cross said he'd like to do it in May.

**Festival of Dinners - Michael Schatzman, Becky Sittason, Rachel Loughry**: The following Rotarians have committed to host a dinner: Peter Baden; Janet Metzelaar; Jane Birckhead; Jerry Ernst; Deb Caley, Susan Wilkinson and Fred Fischer; Rick Flynn; Julie Poyer and Becky Sittason; Owen Wrassman and Suzy Dorward; and Linda Muth and Kelly Mahan. There were several other the committee was planning to follow up with before the Friday deadline. A list of the committed hosts and their respective themes was to be presented to Linda so she can ready it for today's meeting and people could start signing up.

**Wally Emmerling Day - Steve Haber**: We will be nominating/voting on our honoree today.  This must be kept confidential. Linda will orchestrate with Steve exactly when in May the award will be given. The Wally Emmerling Day recipient was chosen.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business:

Motion approved: that the meeting be adjourned 2:38 p.m.

Al Koncius Linda Muth

President Executive Director