ROTARY CLUB OF CINCINNATI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING MINUTES

#### May 3, 2018

**2:00 p.m.**

### RW Baird Conference Room

### Al Koncius, President

**MEMBERS:**

Al Koncius, President P Melinda Kelly P

Dave Carlin, Secr/Treasurer E Janet Metzelaar P

Fred Fischer, Foundation President P Deborah Schultz P

Jack Scott, Past President E Brett Lebhar P

Rick Flynn, President-Elect P Janet Burns P

Susan Wilkinson, Foundation P Drew Emmert E

President-Elect (ex-officio) Bryan Vielhauer P

Marc Horwitz P Sam Scoggins, Legal Advisor P

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

**Also Present**: Linda Muth, Executive Director; Ken Saunders, Mary Ronan and Claudia Cagle, board member-elect Term begins 7/1/18

## Call to Order President Al Koncius called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

## A discussion was held as to the treatment of vacant seats on the club board relating to the Foundation President and President-Elect.

## Motion Approved: That an update to the club’s bylaws be drafted, which includes the Foundation President and President-Elect being treated the same way as the bylaws currently read for the club’s officers.

## Approval of Minutes

## Motion Approved: that the minutes of the April 12, 2018, meeting be approved.

The April financial statements were unavailable at the time of the meeting.

**Concerning Membership: Classification Committee Report**

The Classification Committee will meet on May 10, 2018, so there was no report.

**President Report**See below.

**Executive Director Report**Linda Muth shared the negotiations with the Hilton on the 2018-19 cost of our meals. Our contact, Walt, suggested a $.65 to$1.00 increase. Linda suggested we offer a $.75 increase. This increase will be passed along to the members. The pay at the door cost will increase to$23.00 per lunch.

Because of the size of the contract, Linda asked that a motion be presented to approve the contract for the coming year.

## Motion Approved: that Executive Director, Linda Muth, be authorized to execute the contract with the Cincinnati Hilton Netherland Plaza hotel with a $.75 increase in the cost of each meal for the2018-19 Rotary year.

## Linda also shared her concern about hitting the membership goal for the year. We are currently on track to decrease our membership by six members. She encouraged the board members to try to “close” any prospective member applications by the June Classification meeting.

**Committee/Director Reports**

**Marc Horwitz – Club Meetings**

Nothing new to report all chairs have people to fill their respective meeting roles.

**Dave Carlin – Membership Development**

Linda Muth shared Dave Carlin’s membership report. We began the year at 346 and currently at 337 members. We have three people scheduled to attend the May Classification Committee meeting. There were 36 prospects signed up to attend the April 19th event, but 12 were no shows. Kelly Shough is spearheading the effort to have the membership development committee members follow-up personally with each prospect. Jack Scott is talking with Frisch’s about a corporate membership. Jason Vaughn(CEO) was at the event.

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

Janet had nothing new to report since the last meeting.

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

The New Member Orientation on April 26th was cancelled because no one could attend. The next Orientation will be May 24th. Four new members are already scheduled to attend with two more going to Classification on May 10th.

**New Member Reception – Larry Cunningham**

New Member Reception dates are being determined in October and March.

**New Member Project – Claudia Cagle**

The New Member Project will be on May 11th at the St. Joseph’s Orphanage with dinner, activities & talent fair, dessert and games. Twenty-four children are expected to attend. We were able to purchase a good quantity of Legos for the Orphanage to keep for the children. We also will give away Reds jackets printed with the Reds logo and the Rotary logo.

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

Monitoring of activity has been reset and is improving.

**Bryan Vielhauer – Club Social Activities**

Bryan reported that the golf outing has been scheduled for September at Wyoming Country Club.

**Drew Emmert – Membership Engagement**

Linda Muth shared that the date for the Club Coffee/Breakfast is Tuesday, May 15th and will be held at the National Exemplar restaurant in Mariemont. Vocational Fellowship was held today. It was a very low turnout (67). Jim Yunker and Brian Bascom have agreed to chair the committee, but want to look at revamping the program, possibly holding during breakfast hours instead of lunch.

**Fred Fischer – Foundation Matters**

Fred Fischer gave a brief update on Believe 2 Achieve and shared that the silent auction deadline for items was next week.

**Deborah Schultz – International Service**

Deborah shared that youth exchange had two students and two incoming students for next year. We are sending students from CPS to a World Affairs Council event. Peter Baden will also work with our International Exchange Students at the event to hopefully recruit hosts. Solar Village project will be discussed at next week’s Club Assembly.

**Janet Metzelaar – Community Service**

Janet reported that balloon rides will start soon and the Teacher Recognition program is on June 7, 2018.

**Brett Lebhar – Youth Service**

RYLA – Great committee work this year! He encouraged the board members to take time to view the thank you note on Facebook. They will be coming to lunch next week.

**Jocile Ehrlich – Fundraising and Special Activities**

**Split the Pot - Bob McElroy**: $7472 going to Membership Development.

**Meeting Sponsorships – Pete Armstrong:** Pete has gotten eight sponsors for this fiscal year, 2 of whom don’t want any recognition and wish to remain anonymous, and two sponsors for the 2018/19 fiscal year. That is $1600 and $400 respectively. There are a number of spots remaining for this year.

**Festival of Dinners – Fred Fischer and Becky Sittason:** The committee is looking at other fundraising options to pursue next year and met via conference call on Friday, April 27, 2018. The decision was made to look a one-time event with “hosts” and possibly have a lobster bake party.

**Wally Emmerling Day - Steve Haber**: The slide show and script are 95% complete. All speakers for the meeting are on board. Linda has ordered the plaque, buttons, and jacket. Kristy is going to send invites to past awardees and have them at a reserved table. Total guests and awardee total is 13. Carl Kappes and Julie Poyer will host the guests for their lunch. Mike LeVally is going to help the awardee to the table at the front when he’s announced and assist putting on the jacket when President Al takes over the program and hands the plaque to awardee.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

Motion Approved: to approve the hiring of the Membership Director position as outlined in the position description which also includes salary information in addition to $2500 in equipment as needed.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business:

Motion approved: that the meeting be adjourned 3:31 p.m.

Al Koncius Linda Muth

President Executive Director