

DISTRICT 5970 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
December 7, 2021
ZOOM FORMAT
4:00 P.M.

The December 7, 2021 Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Chair Michelle Bell at 4:00 p.m.. via Zoom format. The following Board members were present: Board Chair Michelle Bell, DG Jeff Hassman, DGE Don Meyer, DGN Carole Bernhard, and DGN-D Shannon Duncan. Also present was District Executive Secretary Suellen Kolbet and Global and Peace Scholar Chair Chris Lindell.

DES Kolbet declared a quorum present.

Moved by Meyer, seconded by Bernhard; That the Consent Agenda be approved. All ayes. Motion carried. The items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Minutes of **8-24-21** BOD Meeting
RYLA Board minutes of 8-6-21, 11-5-21(draft)
DG Line minutes of 10-5-21
Foundation Committee minutes of 10-11, 11-8, 2021
Google Analytics for August, September, October, 2021

The Board reviewed the following reports:

District Governor Activity report
District Secretary Activity report
RYLA
DRFCC Report
Peace and Global Scholar Committee Report
RYE Exchange Report
Membership Report
Public Image Report
Interact Report
Rotaract Report

District Governor Jeff Hassman commented that he has visited all but six clubs. So far there are six clubs that are on the vulnerable list.

Financial Reports for the period ending November 31, 2021 were discussed. The District is in a better than normal financial position, due to COVID, and not having much for travel and meeting expenses. All clubs have paid their yearly dues. Moved by Bernhard, seconded by Meyer; That Financial Reports be approved. All ayes. Motion carried.

Foundation Chair John Wasta is now present at 4:15 p.m.

DGN Carole Bernhard reported on the strategic planning meeting held on November 20, 2021 at Jeff Hassman's home. Attending were Carole Bernhard, Don Meyer, Shannon Duncan, Jeff Hassman, and Suellen Kolbet. Kathy Fahy facilitated the meeting. The group went through what the District does well

and what needs improvement. They came up with objectives that will be the responsibility of groups that work in certain areas. Carole is asking for approval to go ahead tasking different committees to move forward. She will be the point person. Moved by Hassman, seconded by Duncan; To approve the Strategic Planning document and move forward with developing action plans. All ayes. Motion carried. Carole will be getting in touch with all the Committees to give them their assignments.

DG Jeff Hassman discussed the surplus funds in the District accounts. He feels there is more than we need and is looking for ideas of what we can do with funds to help clubs. John Wasta suggested that something be done that encourages people to get involved. Shannon Duncan will lead a committee to come up with a plan to present to the Finance Committee. Don Meyer, Jeff Hassman, and Chris Lindell volunteered. They will try to get one more person to serve on the committee. Carole offered to contact Jeff Knapp from Algona.

PDG Lowell Stoolman is present at 4:42 p.m.

DG Jeff Hassman reported on the Zone Institute. He felt it was a good conference and shared a link to a debrief session he held after the conference with all District members that attended. The Future Leaders that the District sent are already becoming involved.

Carole Bernhard left the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

DG Jeff Hassman reported on the District Conference. They are working on getting speakers. Suellen Kolbet asked if there will be any District specific meetings to enable them to approve the 2020-2021 financial reports. There will not, so the Board asked her to set up a virtual meeting.

DGE Don Meyer reported that an in-person One Rotary Summit will be held on January 8, 2022 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Cedar Falls, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Lunch will be served after the meeting. The registration fee is \$25. A virtual One Rotary Summit will be held on January 15, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

DGE Don Meyer reported on North Central PETS. It will be virtual this year, on February 24 and 25, 2022, with two more sessions on March 29 and May 9, 2022. The registration fee is \$150 and registration is now open. There will not be any District only session, so Don will need to schedule one after PETS.

Ralph Smith is our Council on Legislation representative, and Neil Fell was the alternate. He has moved to District 6000, so Jeff Hassman asked that Kathy Fahy be appointed to replace him. Moved by Wasta, seconded by Meyer; To approve the appointment of Kathy Fahy as the alternate representative to the Council on Legislation. All ayes. Motion carried.

DGN-D Shannon Duncan has set up a Stewardship Committee and will be holding a meeting soon to make a report on the 2020-2021 District Grant year.

Moved by Duncan, seconded by Hassman; That the meeting adjourn at 5:07 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.