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District 6900 Planning & Advisory Committee Meeting

November 15, 2019

Renaissance Concourse Atlanta Airport Hotel

Minutes

**Attending:**

PDG Court Dowis, DG Jim Squire, PDG Alec Smythe, DGE Kirk Driskell, DGN Mary Ligon, DRFC Cheryl Greenway, PDG Bob Hagan, Jaclyn Donovan, Rory Young, Carol Lipphardt

**Also Attending:**

PDG Raymond Ray, Lou Tabikman

**Absent:**

Bob Hope

**Motions:**

1. Motion to approve minutes from March 30, 2019 minutes by Alec Smythe, second by Mary Ligon

Motion Approved

1. Motion to approve discontinuance of District 6900 GRSP assessments effective 1 January 2020, pay collected funds as of 1 January 2020 and allow clubs to decide their GRSP contributions thereafter by Court Dowis, second by Bob Hagan.

Motion Approved

**Action:** Alec Smythe will take lead on the letter to the clubs

DG Jim will call PDG’s and GRSP

1. Motion to approve profit and loss statement by Court Dowis, second by Kirk Driskell

Motion Approved

1. Motion to approve sending back to the clubs the additional $18,000 money from 2017 Conference and recommend they contribute it to the Foundation in honor of Robert Hall and Blake McBurney by Court Dowis, second by Alec Smythe

Motion Approved

Meeting was called to order by Court Dowis at 3:25 pm. District Governor Jim reports he is having a fantastic year and appreciate the AG’s assistance at his official visits. DG Jim also reviewed the Organization Chart that PDG Blake McBurney and he have put together as organized by the Resolutions.

**District Conference:**

DG Jim previewed a promotional video of Jekyll Island and District Co-Chair Rory Young reviewed early budget draft based upon preliminary estimates (report attached). DG Jim noted we have more registrations to date than previous conferences. Conference agenda promises a great time to be had by all. Plans for Rotaract and GRSP students are in the works.

**Membership:**

Membership has been a big focus this year. The biggest issue is tabulating membership lead data that comes in from Rotary International. In the past these emails were doled out to AG’s and clubs and ignored.

March 1, 2019 we have:

78 leads assigned or referred

11 new members inducted to date

District - Net 31

Zone - Net 550

Future Membership Plans:

Triage Teams

Resource Tool Kit

**Treasurer**

James Marosek provided a large packet of information and gave a brief overview of financial statements that compares YTD profit and loss compared to budget that will be covered in detail in the Finance Committee meeting. He stated we are right on track.

**Foundation:**

Cheryl Greenway states last year we were at $119,000 annual fund and this year we are at 173,000. Polio is down from last year this year at 44,000 and endowment at 82,000. We have 20 active Global Grants at a tune of 2.5 million

PDG Court brought up having a Vice Chair for the DRFC as our resolution for Vice Governor should this office be vacated. Governor Jim spoke with Rotary International and found they have a plan in place in that if the DRFC office is vacated, the District must have a replacement within 30 days. Discussion ensued and DRFC Cheryl will revisit the proposal and return with an over-all solution at the next P&A meeting.

PDG Court also proposed that travel expenses be added to the District budget for the DRFC. He will develop this further and return with verbiage for the resolution at the next P&A meeting for a vote.

**Strategic Planning**

The District’s goal to maintain a cash equivalent reserve fund equal to 75% of the district operating expense budget was given to the Strategic Planning Committee to research. The committee has come back that it appears we will be trending down and at this point recommends doing nothing this year. It was asked they reconsider for next year. Chair Mary Ligon agreed.

**2017 RI Convention Fund**

95% of the 2017 RI Convention Fund has already been refunded to the clubs who contributed. Approximately 18,000 additional funds have been found which means a total 98% of the fund will be refunded to the clubs.

**PETS Update**

The PETs committee has decided not to include the PN’s. They can attend but there will be separate training (self-study) to help get the PN’s get ready.

Adjourned at 5:45 pm

Respectively Submitted

Carol Lipphardt, District Secretary