Rotary Club of New Jersey December 14, 2023

Present: David Still, President

Manuel Nunez, Treasurer Brianna Tiernan, Secretary

Armand Bucci Dan Tangi

Michael Van Stine Kathleen Van Stine Viktor Krapivin Jay Young

Dave opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed all attendees.

We just finished the Indian Rock fundraiser which Kathleen did an amazing job selling. Kathleen praised Dan for selling 100 tickets. Shy sold a winning ticket for 2nd prize!!!

Michael proposed a motion- For the yearly "Big Game" ticket every member must sell a designated number of tickets, as voted on, or pay the equivalent of the cost of tickets. Communication MUST happen no less than 2 weeks in advance if someone is unable to meet this requirement.

Manuel seconded. Approved.

Manuel announced that we \$1592.50 from the Indian Rock fundraiser.

Michael gave his VP report:

He contacted our new representative Mallory, the "Rotary Fund of New Jersey".

Michael proposes- "the Rotary Fund of NJ" can be registered, attached to SCF so there is immediate access between Rotary and SCF for ease of use for fundraisers, banking, etc. It is vital that the Fund have separate accounting.

Michael reported that he got a response about getting a grant for Rotaract because of the various campuses. Michael is waiting for a response from the cadre representative for this being escalated since it would cover multiple districts but can only be designated by one district. The grant is a substantial grant.

Dave Winter gave a \$10,000 check for SpectraCare Foundation/ The Rotary Fund of NJ

Kathleen gave her report: She signed on 3 new rotarians and working on 2 more. George at SCF helped get them in front of 3 Shoprites for fundraising.

Dave and Kathleen are working on Subaru as a sponsor. They won't be giving a donation at the moment, but Kathleen got the criteria for their sponsorships.

Dave, Kathleen, and Tom are going back to cherry hill lexus to try and get gala sponsorship.

First time in 5 years, cordially invited to samaritan hospital conference in january. Suicide awareness event: March 10th 1-4p Collingswood Theater

Michael explained that we could potentially do a car fundraiser and sell tickets to auction off a new car. We could get an ad in the rotary magazine and not have to work so hard to sell so many tickets. These tickets would likely be \$100 apiece and a total of 600 tickets. This is being discussed in conjunction with AutoVentures. The bus is having transmission issues and the mechanic will be giving a report. The longwood gardens trip has been postponed until the bus is safe to use.

Michael had prepared a report for the patriot fund to try and get a larger allocation from them. With all of the events that were held, approximately 800 veterans and seniors were assisted. A comprehensive report was given to the state commander of the VFW and we are hoping to network on the national level VFW and AmLeg. Michael is hoping to get a meeting with the VA chief of staff for discretionary funds.

Michael personally paid off the lien for Unit B.

Michael commended Viktor for the work he's been doing with his grad work to expand the foundation. Viktor stated that he's been having good discussions and will be putting words to paper soon.

Eston has been working with Wooster Towers which is also the "Housing Authority of Clementon" and an in kind has been set and if WT gets the grant they're working on some funds could be funneled back to SCF.

Manuel motioned to approve the prior minutes. Kathleen seconded. Approved

Dave reminded everyone that we are already gearing up for the gala in September. Sponsorships are vital. Tickets are \$120 again even though food costs went up. Ideally everyone on SCF will sell \$1000 in sponsorships.

Starting back up in January will be the guest speakers.

Dave adjourned the meeting.