

Rotary District 7505 e-Club

September 23, 2021

### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 P.M. by President Van Stine.

Present: Michael Van Stine-President  
Manuel Nunez-Treasurer  
Jimmy Simmermon  
Dan Tangi

Motion by Pres. V second by Manny to approve the minutes of August 26, 2021. Motion approved.

Pres V stated we had some members with continued factors making it hard for some to attend meetings on Thursday nights right now, so he expected meeting attendance to still be on the light side. But he emphasized that he had been having conversations with most members and almost all are actively engaged in club projects directly or indirectly.

Pres V started the meeting by reading two thank-you notes received by both the club and by the SC Foundation from Bernadette Blackstock for their separate donations to the People 2 People Foundation in memorial to Paul Blackstock. He said he felt they were extremely touching and again reflecting the character of the Blackstocks. He was happy we had the funds needed to do things like this.

Pres V advised that he had prepared a draft of updated letter for club members to go out with the packets for the Super Bowl raffle tickets from the Indian Rocks Rotary Club in Florida. He said he would make sure all tickets that either had to be hand-delivered or mailed would be out before our next meeting.

Pres V stated that still there was no new information was available regarding the name change to The Rotary Club of New Jersey and that he would again follow up for the next meeting. He continued to have no knowledge of any lingering issues based on his last communications with PDG Bill wherein he assured in writing there is no opposition by the current DG's of all three affected districts. He said he had to assume, sadly, that this was again just another example of rotary bureaucracy delaying something for many, many months and even years that could be done otherwise in a matter of weeks. He assured that eh again would reach out to both Bill and RI for update.

Jimmy provided an update on the club's linked animal shelter projects with his A Rescue to Remember. He said he had placed one of the Huskies and still had two and that he had capped the cat population in the rescue at ten. One of the original huskies had been placed with club member Chris. He was actively looking for quality placements for the others. He had just coordinated with Kathleen a spay/neuter/declaw/shots/chip implant with one of the Blackwood strays which had been placed with Kathleen (who else???!). He assured upon question from Pres V that they shelter would not take in any more cats until it had placed more of them in permanent new homes. Pres V asked Jimmy to coordinate with Justin to get creative descriptions and pics of all the animals up for adoption onto the website in the Paws Plus section. He said he wanted Manny and Justin to coordinate to cross-populate the club website with the foundation one – a project that seemed long delayed.

Pres V. said he had not yet contacted a Rotary club in Haiti to send our donation to yet, but that it was on his to do list.

Pres V. then called on Manny to deliver the Treasurers report. Manny advised that we had a \$2,691.08 balance in the Admin account with all dues invoices from both RI and district current and that we had a \$705 balance in the Charity account not counting the planned Haiti distribution. Pres V thank Manny for the great job he was doing managing the club's books and assured all that we should meet our goal to replenish the Charity account after we received our split of the Indian Rocks ticket sales.

Pres V updated that he had received the needed registration paperwork from DA Melanie to process his personal vehicle registration to Rotary plates. He encouraged others to consider doing the same if they could do. He advised that Melanie would be attending our next meeting on October 14 and advised that we needed to work as a group to maximize attendance for that meeting.

Pres V reminded all that a President Elect must be selected by December 31, 2021, since this is his second term as president. He encouraged other members to begin to think about possible interest in doing the job.

All wished each other a good couple of week.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M