**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm by Mark Henne, who recognized a Board Quorum.

**Board Members in attendance**: Bill Armstrong, Jim Folkening, Mark Henne, Sung Lee, Nancy Marr, Ody Norkin, Chris Nugent and Bill Webb.

**Board Members Absent**: Laura Hosey, John Saltzgaber and Kristin Shelley.

**Other Members in Attendance**: Ed Foster (Charlotte Rotary Club), Ingrid Nova (ex-officio)

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

MOTION by J. Folkening, second by B. Armstrong, to accept the Minutes of March 21, 2019 as presented. Motion PASSED.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Concerns were raised about running with deficit. Questions were raised about the accuracy of the A/R Aging Summary and other financial reports. Clarity was requested regarding the current and future budget. It was suggested that Jeff Fineis may be contacted for assistance as he has historical knowledge.

MOTION by J. Folkening, second by N. Marr, to receive the treasurer report and place on file. Motion PASSED.

Further discussion was held regarding the $150 special assessment including where the funds are placed and how they are used. It was suggested that the special assessment should be listed as a separate line item on the budget for clarity and transparency for the members.

The Budget Committee (to finalize the 2019-2020 budget) will be made up of Mark Henne, Jim Folkening, Jeff Fineis, Sung Lee and Bill Armstrong. They will meet to discuss the 2019-2020 budget.

**President Report**

**Satellite Club Discussion**

Ed Foster, Past District Governor and member of the Charlotte Rotary Club, was present to help lead a discussion about the potential of an East Lansing Satellite Club.

It is possible to set up the club before obtaining permission from Rotary International (RI). There must be a minimum of eight members. It is possible to set up the Satellite Club in DACdb before it is official with RI. The members of the satellite club would still be members of the “parent” club. The satellite members would be responsible for the District and RI dues, which equal approximately $40 per quarter. The satellite club would have its own Board, by-laws and meetings.

Discussion was held regarding changing the current dates and times of the East Lansing Rotary Club meetings in lieu of setting up a satellite club. Bill Webb will follow up with Ingrid Nova’s assistance. A survey will be sent out to the membership regarding their interest in a potential evening meeting in lieu of one or two Monday meetings.

**Luca Gamberini**

MOTION by O. Norkin, second by C. Nugent, to terminate Luca Gamberini pursuant his correspondence effective March 26, 2019. The $515 dues unpaid will be waived. Motion PASSED.

**Rotary International Insurance**

Mark Henne presented the updated information on the liability insurance program from Rotary International.

**Club Project Action Plan**

Tabled until the next meeting.

**President Elect Report**

Most of the programs are in place for May and June. Thank you to Sung Lee for his assistance in obtaining many programs.

May 20 will be the Student Excellence Awards, after the regular scheduled program.

**Committee Reports**

Community Service/Vocational Committee—Chris Nugent

Four grant requests were presented to the Board. MOTION by B. Webb, second by S. Lee, to approve the following grants:

1. $200 grant to ELHS After Prom

2. $250 grant to the YMCA camp

3. $250 Student Excellence Award

4. $250 Student Excellence Award

Motion PASSED.

Further discussion was held about the lack of transparency in budgeting. The club needs to have a focus area and what it means to the community. *What are the focus areas of the Club?*

In the interest of transparency, should all financial reports be posted on the member only section of the website? Perhaps committee chairs should present a “verbal snapshot” at a club meeting?

Chris Nugent stated that we need to get back to basics- invite guests and turn them into members; get new members involved on a committee; have all members on at least one committee; get regular reports from committees.

Membership Committee—Bill Webb

Discussion was held regarding past due amounts by several terminated members.

MOTION by N. Marr, second by O. Norkin, to forgive and write off $95.53 as owed by past member Andrew Pomerville. Motion PASSED.

MOTION by N. Marr, second by O. Norkin, to forgive and write off $257.50 as owed by past member Andrew White. Motion PASSED.

MOTION by N. Marr, second by B. Webb, to forgive and write off $1,030.00 as owed by past member Guido Pipola. Motion PASSED.

MOTION by N. Marr, second by O. Norkin, to forgive and write off $1,267.50 as owed by past member Stephen Greene. Motion PASSED.

MOTION by N. Marr, second by C. Nugent, to send a final invoice for $365.00 as owed by past member Heather Conway. Motion PASSED.

Visioning/Goalkeeping Committee – Jim Folkening

Projects

Youth Initiatives

*Tabled until next meeting.*

East Lansing Rotary Foundation – Joe Osypczuk

*Tabled until next meeting.*

Public Image – John Saltzgaber

*Tabled until next meeting.*

**Adjournment**

The next Board Meeting has not yet been determined.

There being no further business to conduct, Mark Henne adjourned the meeting at 1:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ingrid Nova

Club Administrative Secretary