

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 6250, INC.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

WISCONSIN DELLS, WI

MAY 4, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:52 am by the President, District Governor Joe Ruskey.

Announcement of a Quorum – District Secretary Debbie Fox-Schroeder

Thirty-eight-member clubs were present, constituting a quorum by representing 61% of our district clubs representing 76% of the total membership. A listing of delegates in attendance is attached and is a part of these minutes.

State of the District Report – District Governor Joe Ruskey

Reflections of the Year!

Membership growth at 72 plus members on the year

1.5 Million Dollars raised for the Foundation

\$350,000 annual giving record for our District

\$122,000 dedicated to Polo with time still left

Youth Programs strong in the District

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the annual business meeting of May 12, 2017 were not read because they had previously been distributed.

Requested update to Page 2 Rob Stroud's name.

A motion to approve the *minutes from the business meeting* of May 12, 2017 was made by Chuck Hanson, Rotary Club of La Crosse and seconded by Rob Stroud, Rotary Club of Madison. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Approval of the 2016 – 2017 Financial Statements – District Treasurer Dick Spencer

District Treasurer Dick Spencer presented the Financial Statements.

Per Rotary procedure the Audit Report was conducted and included in the Annual Meeting Packet. November 2, 2017 the audit committee reviewed the fiscal year end June 30, 2017 and District Governor Dean McHugh annual expenses.

District Treasurer Dick Spencer, Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View thanked Ed Jaekel, Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View, Scott Haumersen, Rotary Club of Madison and Justin Burnett, Rotary Club of Madison After Hours for their work on the District Audit Committee.

The District ended up with excess funds of \$12,000 on the fiscal year.

A motion to approve the 2016 – 2017 Financial Statements was made by Dave Warren, Rotary Club of Janesville and seconded by Brandon Harris, Rotary Club of La Crosse After Hours. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Approval of 2018-2019 District Budget and District Member Dues

District Treasurer Dick Spencer, District Governor-Elect Bill Hoel

Budget for \$52,400 loss for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The finance committee is recommending that we maintain the dues at \$40 per member. The intent is to keep a reserve balance of 50% of the operating balance.

A motion to approve the **2018-2019 District Operating Budget** was made by Patricia Boge, Rotary Club of La Crosse and seconded by Tom McCawley, Rotary Club of Beloit. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Board Member Elections

The District Nominating Committee has nominated four at-large members to the District 6250 Board of Directors for 2017-18. The nominating committee nominates At-Large Member Janie Morgan (Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View), Kaylynn Stahlbusch (Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls After Hours), Linda Olson (Rotary Club of Waunakee), and Chris Smith (Rotary Club of Menomonie).

Motion to approve members Janie Morgan (Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View), Kaylynn Stahlbusch (Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls After Hours), Linda Olson (Rotary Club of Waunakee), and Chris Smith (Rotary Club of Menomonie) to the **District Board of Directors** was made by Mac Dempsey, Rotary Club of Madison After Hours and seconded by Toni Hermann, Rotary Club of Lodi. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Confirmation of District Governor Nominee

Joe Ruskey for the District Nominating Committee chaired by Mary Van Hout, PDG, presents the **District Governor Nominee Designate 2020-21**. The nominating committee nominates, Sue Halambeck, Rotary Club of Sun Prairie, as District Governor Nominee Designate 2020-21.

Motion to approve Sue Halambeck (Rotary Club of Sun Prairie) as **District Governor Nominee Designate 2020-21** was made by Rob Stroud, Rotary Club of Madison and seconded by Bill Hoel, Rotary Club La Crosse. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Approval of the Vice Governor

Motion to approve Dean McHugh, Rotary Club of Holmen was made by Tammi Jepson, Rotary Club of Wisconsin Rapids Noon and seconded by Karen Kendrick-Hands, Rotary Club of Madison. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

The District Nominating Committee for District Governor Nominee Designate

Motion to approve the nominating committee (see below) for the District Governor Nominee Designate for 2021-22 was made by Eric Gormanson, Rotary Club of Fitchburg Verona and seconded by Rebecca Vanderloop, Rotary Club of Mayville. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee for District Governor Nominee 2021-22

- Dean McHugh, Rotary Club of Holmen
- Joe Ruskey, Rotary Club of Prairie Du Chien
- Bill Hoel, Rotary Club of La Crosse
- Edwin Bos, Rotary Club of Fort Atkinson
- Sue Halambeck, Rotary Club of Sun Prairie
- Bob Trussoni, Rotary Club of Marshfield
- Karen, Rotary Club of Eau Claire

Report on District Membership

Kaylynn Stahlbusch, Rotary Club of Chippewa Falls After Hours reported to the District on Membership.

As of this morning, we are plus 72 in membership. We are leading our zone in membership growth. Mark & Kaylynn have been out in the District visiting Clubs. Please let them know if you would like a visit in 2018-2019.

Clubs that reached the membership incentive of plus 4 members and retaining those members for 4 months. Downtown Madison was the first one to achieve. Since that time, there are 5 other clubs that have achieved. Fort Atkinson, Janesville Morning, La Crosse East, Eau Claire and Onalaska Hilltopper. All five clubs were presented a \$1000 check in recognition of their efforts.

Report on Council on Legislation – PDG Rob Stroud

The Council of Legislation meets once every 3 years with representatives from every District around the world to vote on resolutions. The Council next meets in 2019, we have one resolution that we have submitted that was approved last year at the District Annual meeting relating to the Object of Rotary. We have a Rotary Action Group with 200 current and 1200 on the mailing list. This has been approved by RI.

Thank you to Dean Dickinson for his work on the resolution.

Report on Charitable Trust – PDG Chuck Hanson

The Charitable trust was created in 2012 in the District. It is a vehicle for giving that provides a tax write off for donors. A number of clubs have used the Charitable Trust as a tax-exempt entity when funding projects. It was also created to support projects that are across our District. There are 3 recipients that are being recognized at this conference to participate in Outbound Youth Exchange. Additionally, the Charitable trust supports when there is a humanitarian disaster. The Trust is able to collect and respond to needs quickly in the event of a disaster.

New Business:

Call for District Leadership – we are looking for leaders! Please see Bill, Edwin, Sue or Joe.

We are looking at bring Rotary Leadership Institute to the District – we are looking for a group of 5-6 individuals to engage in the project and determine if this is for our District.

The motion to *adjourn the meeting* was made by Toni Hermann, Rotary Club of Lodi and seconded by Dick Spencer, Rotary Club of La Crosse Valley View. All approved, none opposed. Motion passed.

Announcement of 2018-2019 Meeting to be held June 7, 2019 in La Crosse, WI.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 AM.

**Rotary District 6250
2018 Annual Business Meeting**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 38 Clubs Represented • 2,211 Members Represented • 89 Electors Votes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Total 62 Clubs • District Total 2,894 Members • District 118 Total Electors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 61% represented • 76% represented • 75% represented
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Delegate Electors in Attendance:

Club Name	Members	Electors	Name 1	Name 2	Name 3	Name 4
Baraboo	42	2	Wayne Maffei			
Beaver Dam	31	1	Joe Ruskey (Proxy)			
Beloit	57	3	Tom McCawley			
Black River Falls	38	2	Alex Chown			
Caledonia, MN, USA	28	1	Joseph Hammell			
Chippewa Falls	62	3				
Chippewa Valley After Hours	22	1	Andy Neborak			
Columbus/Fall River	25	1	Henry St. Maurice			
DeForest Area	18	1				
Eau Claire	44	2				
Eau Claire Morning	20	1				
Edgerton	34	1	Gayle Lunder			
Fitchburg-Verona	23	1	Eric Gormanson			
Fort Atkinson	46	2				
Granton	16	1	Peter Schreiber			
Holmen Area	36	1	Dean McHugh			
Horicon	14	1				
Janesville	100	4	Amanda Witt			
Janesville Morning	36	1	Dave Warren (proxy)			
Jefferson	24	1				
La Crescent	24	1	Robert Spencer			
La Crosse	183	7	Roz Schnick (2)	Bill Hoel (3)	Patt Boge (2)	
La Crosse After Hours	78	3	Brandon Harris			
La Crosse East	44	2	Pat Stephens			
La Crosse-Valley View	70	3	Julie Kietel			
Lake Mills	49	2	Sandee Macht			
Lodi	25	1	Anthony Hermann			
Madison	504	20	Rob Stroud	Larry Hands	Karen Kendrick-Hands	
Madison After Hours	20	1	Matthew Dempsey			
Madison Breakfast	22	1	Heather Dyer			
Madison East-Monona	14	1	Harry Ripp			
Madison Horizons	26	1				
Madison South	75	3	Kathy Siebert			
Madison West	38	2				
Madison West Towne-Middleton	65	3	Dean Ryerson	Terry Siebert		
Marshfield	43	2				
Marshfield Sunrise	56	2	Dan Knoeck	Ben Bauer		
Mayville	33	1	Rebecca Vanderloop			
Medford Morning	20	1	OraLee Dittrich			
Menomonie	53	2				
Menomonie-Sunrise	34	1				
Mt. Horeb	32	1				
Neillsville	10	1				
Onalaska	20	1				
Onalaska Hilltoppers	30	1				
Oregon	37	2	Leslie Bergstrom			
Portage	29	1				
Prairie du Chien	30	1	Joe Ruskey			
Reedsburg/Western Sauk County	17	1				
Richland County	22	1				
Southwestern WI - Platteville	11	1				
Sparta	20	1				
Stoughton	49	2	Mark Schubring			
Sun Prairie	45	2	Toni Pabon			
Tomah	29	1				
Viroqua	10	1				
Watertown	54	2	Josh Macht			
Waunakee	91	4	Joe Rusky (proxy)			
Waupun	21	1				
Wisconsin Dells	30	1	David Clemons			
Wisconsin Rapids	69	2	Dave Warren (proxy)			
Wisconsin Rapids-Sunrise	36	1	Dean Veneman			

Clubs Represented by Proxy:

Club Name	Members	Electors	Proxy Elector
Beaver Dam	31	1	Joe Ruskey, Rotary Club of Prairie du Chien
Edgerton	35	1	Dave Warren, Rotary Club of Janesville
Janesville Morning	36	1	Dave Warren, Rotary Club of Janesville
Waunakee	91	4	Joe Ruskey, Rotary Club of Prairie du Chien
Wisconsin Rapids	69	3	Dave Warren, Rotary Club of Prairie du Chien