

Rotary Board Meeting
February 3, 2005

Present: Sue K., Sue D., Evonne, Lori, Gary, Warren, Dennis, Steve Rith-Najarian

Secretary's Report: *Sue K. moved, Dennis seconded approval of secretary's report. Carried. Lori moved, Sue D. seconded approval of Kirsten Addison's proposed membership. Carried. (Please publish in Monday's COG.)* Kirsten was proposed by Martin Graefe.

Treasurer's Report: Dennis reported that we have paid the semiannual dues to Rotary International. *Report was moved for approval by Sue K., seconded by Evonne. Carried.*

Club Correspondence:

- E-mail from Sean Lynch, current BSU student and former Rotary Exchange Student seeking information about the Ambassadorial Scholarship. Gary will follow up.
- Letter sent to club from student interested in entering the essay contest.
- Invitations from Hibbing and Detroit Lakes Clubs to their events.
- Northern Inn contract. *Dennis moved, Sue K. seconded approval of the contract for next year. Carried.* Warren will sign and return.
- Information about the district conference in Thunder Bay. Lori has reserved a block of rooms (9 remain). The group booking number is 2107. Telephone number is 800-964-1124.

Grant Requests:

- BHS Show Choir – Chris Fettig and Peggy Crandall made a request for \$500 to purchase a black backdrop. *Sue K. moved, Sue D. seconded approval of granting \$500 for the backdrop.*
- Relay for Life – Paula Hanson made a request for \$2500 to help fund the community on August 19th. The board decided to try and get a Rotary team together but to not provide monetary support.
- Kids Against Hunger – Michael Beard made a presentation about the event to be held on March 19th at the National Guard Armory. We will try to get a group of 10 Rotarians to help out that day. *Sue K. moved, Lori seconded the approval of donating the \$150 dollars collected by Rotarians to aid in the tsunami relief effort and add an additional \$100 for a total of \$250 and present to Michael Beard in his effort to raise money for a matching grant. Motion carried.*
- Habitat House in Yereven, Armenia project – Steve Rith-Najarian updated the board on the progress of securing funds for the house to be built in celebration of the Centennial of Rotary. *Lori moved to grant \$1200 and to use the Sergeant at Arms fines for the project, Sue K. seconded. Carried.*

Committee/Misc. Reports

- Meeting and Membership – The membership brochure will have its design completed by *The Pioneer*. We will have Ink Spot Press do the printing with half the printing cost picked up by *The Pioneer*.
- Community Service –
 - Several meetings have been held to plan the fundraiser dinner on April 5th.
 - Playhouse Project – High speed internet has been installed!
- International Service – The board discussed a request from Scott and Kate Pearson to sponsor an additional Rotary Exchange Student. This student would be staying with the Pearson's the entire year. *Sue K. moved to have the club sponsor this additional student but to only pay for the activity fee and any expenses related to attending required Rotary meetings/events. Sue D. seconded the motion. Carried.*

Other: *Evonne moved to have the Club continue matching funds for a member's first Paul Harris but to discontinue the matching of funds toward additional Paul Harris'. The Club will continue to encourage participation beyond the first Paul Harris and will include the \$25 contribution on the quarterly statements. Lori seconded the motion. Carried.* In another matter, *Lori/Sue D. moved to approve the Club to pay the \$80 sponsorship fee for participation in the Interclub Bonspiel. Carried.* Meeting adjourned.