

Bemidji Rotary Board Minutes
April 17, 2008

Present: Dennis, Nancy, Terry, Jim, Amy, George, Evonne, Gary, Scott, Ted

Secretary's Report: The minutes are amended to say that the Boys & Girls Club will be paid off in July. George/Terry moved and seconded to approve the minutes as amended. Carried. We still need Todd Moudry and Scott Kurtzweg to submit resignation letters before we can officially remove them from membership.

Treasurer's Report: The meal charges for our exchange student might exceed the \$500 we have estimated to pay for the school year unless just the meal is charged, without extras. Nancy moved/George seconded to cover the difference if the \$500 is exceeded. We will also talk to Kirsten about the amount we would like to pay for future reference and also talk to Fena. Motion carried.

Grant Requests: The board agreed to pay continued sponsorship of \$550 for Bemidji Youth Baseball. Scott also presented a grant request for a new playground at Bemidji State Park. The total cost of the playground equipment is \$32,500 with several sponsorship levels available. Evonne/George moved and seconded donating at the Kick the Can level of \$500. Carried. After further checking, it was discovered that we did not donate to the Headwaters School of Music for this year. We had actually donated to last year's scholarship program, but had written the check out late. Evonne/Nancy moved and seconded donating \$2000 for the scholarship program. Carried.

Pinless in Public: Jim put together an effort to have Rotarians where their pins while in the public. A sub-committee made up of Amy, Jim, George and Evonne will pursue this issue as well as look at other efforts of marketing our group. A final report will be published in the COG.

Rotaract: Rotaract would like Rotary to help purchase t-shirts with the Rotaract emblem. Terry/Scott moved and seconded donating \$300 to the club to help in that effort. Carried.

Rotary Idol: The board has turned the details of this fun "fundraising" effort over to Warren. The event(s) will take place during our June membership meetings.

LARA: Evonne requested that the minutes of the group be put on Bemidji Rotary's website. Gary agreed to help with this and to also help get the link updated with other LARA accomplishments.

Playhouse: It was agreed that Rotary members could sell their tickets at the playhouse while it is parked at Lueken's and other spots during the week.

Dragon Boat Festival: Terry/Nancy moved and seconded approval of the new contract from Great White North for the amount of \$17,450. Carried.

Group Study Exchange: We will host the GSE team from Sweden at the State Park on May 8th at 7:00 pm. Gary has planned a day with the team on May 10th. The tentative plans are to go four-wheeling around the Walker area. Extra four-wheelers are being sought. Evonne will see how many she can get.

Next board meeting: Thursday, May 1 at Paul Bunyan Telephone Board Room.

Minutes submitted by Evonne McKinzie, Board Secretary