

Bemidji Rotary Club Board Minutes
March 19, 2009

Present: Gayle, Nancy, Jim, John, Jordan, Gary, Amy, George, Evonne

Secretary's Report: No minutes were submitted from last board meeting. Nancy/Jim moved and seconded the membership resignation of Rick Seibels, who is being transferred to Bismarck. Motion carried.

Club Correspondence:

- A survey by the district is being emailed to members. Anyone who participates will receive a make-up.
- On-line registrations for the District Conference are due by April 8.
- Evonne will send in the voting credentials to Diane Collins. Our club gets 5 votes.
- The Sertoma Club is looking for speakers.
- Northwoods Habitat for Humanity Soup Lunch will be May 18. Gayle will communicate with Holiday Inn Express.

District Awards: Gary will send us what we submitted last year and what categories we won in.

Grant Requests:

- Bemidji Community Food Shelf – requested \$900. Gayle suggested we ask for donations from our membership during the next two meetings in March.
- Family Advocacy Center – requested \$2000. Jordan/John moved and seconded denying the request (no resources)
- but to send a letter of support. Carried.

Club Administration: Discussion on whether to give all members over age 75 meal waivers was put on hold.

The Rotary Foundation: Nancy updated the board on the deadline for using points. The board decided we needed to come up with strategies on how to best use the points. Nancy will research this issue further. Gary said that a non-community member won a grill in a raffle and asked Ted to use it as a fundraiser for TRF. We will sell raffle tickets to the membership.

Public Relations: Amy reported that there is a media campaign starting but airtime has not been bought in our area. Gary will put some PSA's on through PBTv. Amy also has a CD of high resolution Rotary logos that we should use.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m. Next meeting - Thursday, April 2, 2009 at Lueken's North.

Minutes submitted by Evonne McKinzie