

Mendocino Rotary Club

Minutes of Meeting of June 11, 2020

Present: Jeff, Jerry, Dean, John P., John C., Jessie, Pete, Gary,, Matt, Toby, Harold, Brandt, Susan, Mike

Next meeting: June 18,2020, by Zoom

1. Announcements

After the Pledge of Allegiance and pin check (fines to be collected someday, somehow), Matt presented members with awards: Harold for outstanding bookkeeping, John Porter for outstanding fund raising with his letter, and Brandt for his outstanding work arranging speakers.

Our speaker for the day, Dr Richard Mucci, gave a very interesting talk on Metabolic Syndrome and nutrition. A spirited Q&A followed his talk.

2. Covid-19 Mitigation

Covid-19 response projects/ideas were discussed. Following circulation of a note from our district advertising the availability of Rotary masks, there was an outpouring of support from club members. Sean, Ray, Gary, Toby and Pam had all offered contributions, in an amount totalling \$1215. Jeff had researched the Russell-Hampton website, and recommended the blue "People of Action" mask which cost \$5.00 each for 100. It was decided the club will purchase 100 masks, with the intent being that they can be available to distribute to members, spouses and significant others, and participants in our events.

Susan referenced her work with Briana Handy of Mendocino Caregivers and said she had received a request for support from Briana. With over 200 people providing services they might be a good NGO partner for us. Susan volunteered to talk with Briana to estimate the cost. She and others would also reach out to other caregivers, clinics and homes with the aim of putting together a project or projects that would use the funding obtained from the John Porter/Toby Wade letters as well as possible District funding.

Prior to the meeting Jeff had prepared and circulated an outline of a possible Covid 19 project. He, Susan and others who are interested will work together to advance the proposal consistent with the needs of the community.

It was suggested that Interact Club members and other school programs may need masks and other protective equipment if fall classes are to be done in classrooms ie face to face vs on line.

3. Golf and Other Social Events

Jeff had talked with Kathy at the Little River golf course and she said that although they were open the State was not allowing golf tournaments. The problem was that the State would not allow the congregation of more than 12 people in one place. Only

one person could occupy a cart at a time. It was decided that Jeff and Jody will explore whether or not and how a golf event could be held with the aim of having a go/no-go decision from the club by July 1.

We discussed what could be done on Fourth of July as there will be no parade and Covid concerns persist. It was suggested that we may have a work day perhaps with a barbecue, and/or man a booth to hand out masks. This too will need further discussion.

4. Club Meetings

Our next meeting will be on June 18, by Zoom, and there will be a speaker from the Chamber of Commerce. This would be a good time for members to invite persons they know who might like to listen in. Jeff will circulate a proposed organization chart, for discussion and hopefully firming up in terms of volunteers for the various committees and responsibilities. The new Board will be confirmed in the last meeting of the present Board, on June 25.

It was proposed and accepted that our June 25 Board meeting could be done in Rotary Park with social distancing rather than by Zoom, weather permitting. If this reopening is a success then the club can consider having our subsequent lunch meetings in the same way.