

## Minutes of Meeting of June 25, 2020

Present: Jeff, Jerry, Dean, John P., John C., Pete, Gary, Matt, Toby, Harold  
(by phone), Brandt, Mike, Ray, Sean, Jody

Next meeting: July 9, a Zoom Meeting at 12:00

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### 1. Announcements

Fifteen members gathered in the Park, in a semi circle of tables and chairs. All wore masks on arrival, and the tables and chairs were placed so as to facilitate social distancing. We enjoyed socializing for a few minutes before the meeting got underway. Pizza was served, as well as water, soft drinks and beer. We pledged allegiance to the flag and Pete gave a thought for the day.

### 2. Finances and Fund-Raising

Harold presented our finances, emphasizing that although our financial position was strong, we needed to be cautious in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and the limits it places on our fund-raising. He said it was time for committee chairs to put together their activities budgets and fund-raising targets for the year so that they can be available to the Board for its next meeting, which will be on July 30.

We talked about the golf tournament/event, and how it might or might not be done. Jeff said he had talked to Kathy, and she emphasized there could be no gatherings on the course. Even if we could find a way to arrange play on the course, we could not do a normal auction. Jody and Gary would follow up to see if it makes sense to put on an event or not. John Cottle said that he would like to look into a bikeathon/walkathon as a possible Plan B. We talked about going out with another round of the John Porter/Jerry Karabensh/Toby Wade letters, and decided that in principle we should only do such letters at an interval of 6 months. An exception might however be made if it were for a specific purpose such as purchase of materials or equipment for COVID-19. It was noted that Harold will begin billing members for fees in lieu of lunch, at \$80 per month, at the discretion of the member. We collected \$10 each to cover the cost of the pizza, and Gary contributed \$100 to the COVID-19 fund.

### 3. Membership

Harold said that it was time to decide on inclusion of members who were not actively participating in club affairs in the list to be forwarded to Rotary International. It was decided that Heather would be dropped, and Travis and Alitia included since both were paying dues. Jeff mentioned that we would be starting a membership drive soon, asked all members to identify two or three acquaintances they would like to invite and suggested they send the names of such persons to Sean, copy to Toby and Jeff.

4. Masks and COVID-19 Mitigation

Jeff reported that 200 Rotary masks had been ordered as well as 300 plain masks. None had arrived yet but the first batch of Rotary masks and the plain masks were expected to arrive Monday. As soon as they arrive he will let club members know. Susan was working on the COVID-19 project and we should have more information soon.

5. Board and Other Appointments

Jeff presented the nominations for the Governing Body, Avenue of Service Committees and other appointments. There was a discussion of who would be President-Elect, but no agreed to do that. Mike would be Secretary, Harold Treasurer and Matt Past President. Gary would be Rotary International Foundation Chair, Sean Membership Chair, and Toby PR Chair, while Jerry would continue as Mendocino Rotary Foundation Chair. Jeff and Mike would take care of club services, John Cottle and John Porter would share the community service chair, Jesse would head the youth service chair, and Jeff and Matt would continue to serve as international service chairs. Matt and John will take care of park maintenance, Susan the Coronavirus project, Pam will help with membership and the Coronavirus project, and Donna will help with the park planting, social media and youth. Pete Rose will help with fund raising and membership, Jesse will take care of IT and social media, Brandt will continue with programs, Leona Walden will serve as photographer and Dean Watson will do the sunshine report. Ray will serve as fine-master when we physically meet. The proposed new Board was approved by the old Board and would take office immediately.

6. Thanks to President Matt

All joined together in thanking Matt for his year of service, and for guiding our club through the year with persistence and good humor. Jeff and John put on a skit about his work and play on the islands of the South Pacific, and Brandt and others commented on how he had created a positive, happy environment for our meetings and amongst club members. We presented him with a plaque commemorating his year of service, after which the meeting was adjourned. The meeting closed at 1:30 with thanks to all.

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