# ROTARY CLUB OF LYNNWOOD Board Meeting - Minutes April 15, 2020

# Attendees:

Mark Johnson, President	$\checkmark$	Paul Richards, Dir. Vocational Service	$\checkmark$
Beth Fraser, President-Elect	$\checkmark$	Janet Leister, Dir. Int'l Service	$\checkmark$
Casey Auve, Past President	$\checkmark$	Edith Larson, Dir. Club Service	$\checkmark$
Barbara Lindberg, Secretary	$\checkmark$	Jeff Patterson, Dir. Community Service	$\checkmark$
Erin Monroe, Treasurer	А	Mike Neumeister, Dir. Youth Service	А

## Guests:

Ken Peirce, Past Dir. Vocational Service Ryan Herath, Club member Debbie Bodal, Past President, RI Foundation Chair, & International Committee Co-Chair. Gunnvor Tveidt, Past International Committee Chair, Santa Breakfast Chair, & Valentine's Dinner Chair

Meeting opened: 4:15 p.m. President: Mark Johnson Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom A quorum was present and proper notice was given to members as to date and time of meeting.

Minutes: Casey moved to approve the consent agenda; Barbara seconded; motion passed.

### **President's Report:**

**Covid-19 Community Assistance:** Mark asked the question as to how the Lynnwood Rotary Club could help with the needs presented by the Covid-19 virus, and he suggested three possibilities, such as 1) Community Foundation for Snohomish County, such as for people who have left jobs, etc.; 2) Foundation for Edmonds School District for the weekend meal program; or 3) Homage for Senior Citizens' needs in South Snohomish County. Mark further clarified that this is not a usual time, so we could put funds toward Homage instead of youth and education. Gunnvor also suggested that District 5030 Assistant Governor Grants of \$750.00 are available to apply for and we could pool with other clubs to fund additional community needs regarding Covid-19 in Snohomish County. Janet moved to donate to Homage with an explanation that if additional funds are available to give those funds to the Community Foundation for Snohomish County; Paul seconded. The motion was tabled until tomorrow when we will have had a clarification from Erin Monroe, Treasurer, on the funds that are available in our budget. Board will vote tomorrow after the Club meeting.

**Covid-19 Community Assistance Special Board Meeting, April 16, 2020; quorum present and proper notice was given to Board of time of meeting:** A discussion was held with Erin Monroe, Club Treasurer, on the amount of funds available within our yearly budget to fund Covid Assistance. Barbara moved to donate \$10,000 to Homage. Beth presented an amendment to the motion to read as follows:

Acknowledging that our Club voted, pursuant to our 2019 Five-Year Plan, to focus our Club activities on benefitting youth and education; further

Understanding that the Covid-19 Pandemic presents our community with unprecedented challenges to meeting basic needs; further

Understanding that our Club is anxious to help minimize the suffering in our community from the Pandemic; further Understanding that senior citizens and health-compromised people are suffering the effects of this Pandemic disproportionately to others; and

Believing that we have the ability, resources, and desire to assist this compromised population,

I move that the Lynnwood Club of Rotary grant a deviation from our focus under these extreme circumstances and allocate \$10,000 to Homage Senior Services of Snohomish County to provide necessary assistance in this time of great community-wide need.

Erin seconded the amended motion; motion passed. Mark moved to use \$5,000 of the \$10,000 to match up to \$5,000 of donations by Lynnwood Rotary Club members to Homage; Casey seconded; motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Budget: Erin sent copies of the Treasurer's Report for Board review.

Secretary's Report: None

Past President's Report: None

Vice President's Report: None

Community Service Report: Jeff is working on scheduling speakers remotely for our upcoming virtual meetings.

#### **Vocational Service Report:**

**House Project:** Paul reported that Gunnvor has hired the students to work after online school work hours and is working with Jim on how to work with and teach the students carpentry online during this unusual time; however, the work is on hold until the Governor lifts the shutdown on residential construction before students are allowed to work. Also, hammers and emblems need to ordered and engraved.

#### Club Service Report:

**Membership:** Paul reported that we need to recruit new members of varying professions and we need to set up a date to award blue badges during our virtual Zoom meetings.

#### **International Service Report:**

**Days for Girls Project:** Debbie reported that the sewers are sewing and selling masks, including children's masks and are supporting themselves.

**Water Wells:** Janet reported that the committee has received a request for water well funding. **KIVA:** Janet also reported that there is \$1500 in KIVA to reloan.

#### Youth Service Report:

**Challenge Race 2020:** Debbie reported that there are many unknowns this year, so the committee is canceling the race for this year. June 26, 2021 is the new date set.

#### **New Business:**

**Lynnwood Food Bank:** Ken reported that there has been a steady stream of Lynnwood Rotary members who are volunteering at the Food Bank, along with many of their family members; and, the Food Bank has enough funds for now.

**Zoom Meetings:** Debbie suggested shortening the business meeting to 15 minutes and keeping the entire meeting to one hour.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. Next meeting is May 20th, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Lindberg, Secretary Rotary Club of Lynnwood