

**ST. SIMONS ISLAND ROTARY CLUB  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING**

**September 7, 1999**

**Present:** Jack Kurschner, Rem Johnston, Nat Johnson, Bill Hicks, Allen Berry, Mike Harris, Dick Wilkens, Buddy McNeese, Leslie Mattingly, Marie Dodd, Dee Brantley

**Absent:** Carolyn Byars, Sonny Doehring, Mark Podlin, John Parkins

**Visitors:** Sheila Moody

**Welcome to Red Badge Members:** Robert Oplinger

**New Members:** Beverly S. Fetter

**President's Comments: (Jack Kurschner)**

1. Joint Meeting of Rotary Clubs scheduled for Thursday October 14, 1999. Guest speaker will be Abe Gordon, VP Rotary International. The meeting will be held at Epworth by-the-Sea.
2. Discussion of introduction of prospective members. In the future prospective members should be introduced as guests until an application for membership has been received. They will be reported as a guest in the Spray and entitled to two lunches at no charge.

**Secretary's Report: (Marie Dodd, Dee Brantley)**

Motion to accept the minutes of the regularly scheduled Board Meeting as well as the Special Called Meeting on August 17, 1999 submitted by Nat Johnston, second Dick Wilkens. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report: (Rem Johnston)**

1. Approximate balance in checking account is \$15,000.00.
2. Discussion of request received from Rotary International for local club support of a Rotary float in the Rose Bowl Parade. Motion was made by Jack Kurschner to contribute \$200.00, second by Mike Harris. Approved.
3. Discussion of quarterly dues increase. Deferred for more discussion.
4. Effective September 9, 1999, the weekly meal cost has been increased to \$15.00. Admission fee will increase to \$50.00 plus \$10.00 for directory.

**Director's report:**

**Club Relations and PR: (Leslie Mattingly)**

No report.

**Club Service and Membership: (Nat Johnson)**

1. The improvement in attendance figures are a result of changes that have been made in the way that weekly attendance is computed.
2. Three new members were accepted in August and five resignations were received.

**Community Service: (Dick Wilkens)**

1. Motion to approve a request from United Way for a \$500.00 contribution submitted by Dick Wilkens, second by Rem Johnston. Approved.
2. Motion to approve a request from the Okefenokee Council of the Boy Scouts for a \$350.00 contribution submitted by Dick Wilkens, second by Rem Johnston. Approved.
3. Request from Jekyll Island Rotary Club for support of an Oceanside playground. Deferred until more information can be obtained.
4. Motion to approve a request from Links, Inc. for a \$100.00 contribution to the Boys Choir of Harlem on their November 11<sup>th</sup> visit submitted by Dick Wilkens, second Jack Kurschner. Approved.
5. Request from First Night/Golden Isles for program presentation on New Year's Eve. Declined.
6. Progress report on Taps at Twilight. As of meeting date, we do not have a committed guest speaker.

**International Service: (Carolyn Byars)**

No report.

**Programs and Fellowship: (Mike Harris)**

Discussion of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party by Mike Harris and Sheila Moody. Review of last years' winter dance expense. Discussion of fixed budget amount as compared to per plate charge. Consideration of a change in type of function to encourage better participation. Request for additional \$1000.00 (or actual cost) for preparation of historical data. Jack Kurschner suggested that response cards be sent to determine the number of participants. Rem Johnston recommended that the club pay \$60.00 per member and that each member pay \$75.00 per guest. These figures are based on attendance of 160 people. The total budget would be \$9600.00. Mike Harris further stated that while this was a lengthy discussion, it was the intention of the committee to fully advise the club of related costs and consequently not have the budget understated. Bill Hicks requested that Allen Berry shop several print shops for the best price on the copying of historical material.

**Vocational Service: (Buddy McNeese)**

No report.

**Club Historian: (Allen Berry)**

No report.

Adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marie Dodd/Dee Brantley