

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

October 5, 1999

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

Absent: John Parkins, Allen Berry, Sonny Doehring, Mark Podlin

Visitors: Cal Paynter

President's Comments: (Jack Kurschner)

Welcome to Red Badge Members: Harvey Richardson

New Members: Don Robertson, Dave Schafer, Tom Swam, Kenneth Webley

Discussion:

1. Patsy Bryan – New Member Application – Discussion of classification status. Motion was made to table discussion until review could be made by Bill Hicks.
2. Golden Isles Chamber of Commerce Advertisement for 3-year booklet used for distribution to newcomers and tourists. Cost of \$300.00 – Motion by Rem Johnston to participate second by Buddy McNeese. Approved.

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

Motion to accept the minutes of the regularly scheduled Board Meeting of September 7, 1999 submitted by Rem Johnston, second Dick Wilkens. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: (Rem Johnston)

Based on current projections, we are \$11,000.00 over our 1999 budget. Discussion to increase dues. No action taken. Needs further review.

Director's report:

Club Relations and PR: (Leslie Mattingly)

Change of photographers – Jim Fletcher.

Deletion of scrapbook project. Photographer to assemble file and pass to historian.

Display of scrapbook at 50th Anniversary celebration.

Club Service and Membership: (Nat Johnson)

Eight new members – five resignations.

Attendance program working – 3% improvement.

Authorization for secretary to approve absence request based on Rule of 86.

Motion to make Dr. William Buxton an honorary member by Rem Johnston, second Buddy McNeese. Approved.

Recommendation to drop Donnie Coffey as active member. Letter to be written by Nat Johnson.

Request from John Bird Daniel for extended absence due to work schedule.

Community Service: (Dick Wilkens)

Request from Mental Health Association of South Georgia.

Recommendation was made to nominate Bud Dorsey for Volunteer Award. Dick Wilkens to prepare.

International Service: (Carolyn Byars)

Request from Brunswick and Glynn County clubs to participate in Third World Country Travel Program. Request declined due to time constraints.

Group from India - March/April 2000.

Programs and Fellowship: (Mike Harris)

The Fall Party to be held November 19, 1999, will be an Oyster Roast at M.G. Whittle's residence.

No report on Spring Party due to death in Shelia Moody's family.

Vocational Service: (Buddy McNeese)

Discussion of Speech 2000 contest. Buddy McNeese and Leslie Mattingly to coordinate.

Club Historian: (Allen Berry)

No report.

Other New-Old Business:

Request for accounting of Rotabucks dollars to club membership.

Report by Cal Paytner of Flag Sales (see attached). Discussion of additional sales opportunities for flags (Farmer's Market, Home Owners' Association meetings)

Adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marie Dodd/Dee Brantley

Special Report - St. Simons Island Rotary Flag Program Fall 1999

Historical Background and Purpose

The St. Simons Island Rotary Flag Program was founded in the spring of 1996 with the purpose being to promote patriotism and further enhance the display of the American Flag at residential and commercial properties.

It is separately funded with its own bank account, separate from the club's general fund and properly audited each year.

Approximate Sales to Date

- 725 single U.S. flags from 2' x 3' to 8' x 12'
- 350 U.S. flag kits complete with pole, eagle, bracket, etc.
- 100 Georgia State Flags
- 17 flag poles (15 feet to 35 feet)

What Have We Done with Profits

1. Erected and maintained commercial aluminum flag pole with lights at busiest intersection on St. Simons Island (Demere and Frederica Roads)
2. Erected same as above by the St. Simons Island pier plus placed a granite monument at the site with an inscription honoring members of the Armed Forces Past and Present
3. Donated new flag pole at Mallory Park Little League Baseball complex
4. Distributed 5,000 4" x 6" American Flags at four "Taps at Twilight" services sponsored by St. Simons Island Rotary each Memorial Day
5. Purchased all new bunting and flags for bandstand at Neptune Park
6. Paid for entire cost of 1999 "Taps at Twilight" Program (\$1,500.00)
7. Donated flag kits for door prizes at District Conferences
8. Have pledged \$1,500.00 to pay cost of Year 2000 "Taps at Twilight"
9. Still maintain good bank balance, plus sizeable inventories of flags and kits that are already paid for

Future Plans

Continue to erect and maintain commercial flag poles on St. Simons Island, pay for "Taps at Twilight" every year, and strongly promote the sale and display of our flag to homes and businesses that to date have not achieved the "Patriotic Fever" by displaying the beloved symbol of our great country, The United States Flag.

Summary

This is a major St. Simons Island Rotary Club community program that needs the support and participation of every Rotarian.