**St. Simons Island Rotary Club**

**Regular Board of Directors Meeting**

**September 16, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of St. Simons Island was held at Sea Palms, St. Simons Island, GA on **September 16, 2014**. The meeting convened at 11:36 am with a quorum present, with President Ben Lee presiding and Sherrye Gibbs, Secretary.

**Members Present:** Jennifer Broadus, Denny Silva, Stan Humphries, Te Turner, John Matthews, Craig Bolint

**Guests:** Ann Abell

**Approval of minutes:**

**Motion was made by Te Turner and seconded by John Matthews to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2014 meeting. Motion carried**.

**President’s Comments:**

Presdent Ben reported that he had just learned Sea Palms has changed their renovation plans/schedule and the Rotary Club will have to find a place to meet for the next six months effective November 1, 2014. President Ben expressed that perhaps the Club should be looking for a permanent NEW meeting space. He told us that Susan Imhoff and Martin Turbidy have been tasked with securing a meeting space.

**Financial Review:**

Denny Silva presented the Financials as of August 31, 2014. Prior to a vote to approve the financials, the following was discussed:

* Denny explained that the fundraising account has not been reconciled.
* 2014-2015 budget will be presented at next meeting
* Dues statements going out
* Still trying to get bank statements for the “Flag” account (Pat Storino); Te Turner to discuss with Lisa Martin about taking over the Flag Committee.
* Have collected $600 to date for Veterans Lounge, with Rotary match that would be $1200. Determined that would make one more announcement at today’s meeting to try to reach $1000 member contributions; will close out this project effective 09/30/2014.
* Karen Gable, Rolf Iverson, Monica Jolley – remove their indebtedness from Receivables
	+ **Motion to write off indebtedness from Receivables (Karen Gable, Rolf Iverson, Monica Jolley) offered by Stan Humphries, 2nd by Denny Silva. Motion Carried.**

**Following this discussion, a Motion to Approve August Financials offered by Te Turner, 2nd by Sherrye Gibbs. Motion Carried**.

**Membership:**

Te Turner presented us with a copy of the Board of Directors’ Working Paper, St. Simons Island Rotary Club Membership Guidelines dated 12/4/2006. He also gave us a list of members with attendance below 50%. It was agreed that we will remind people how they can get credit for attendance when they are unable to attend. Jennifer Broadus is to put information in the upcoming Spray about how to do a make-up. We all agreed to encourage members to remember to sign-in on the Green Attendance Sheet. Further discussion revealed that Jon Watkins and Marion Moore are in arrears on their dues and are not attending. Mary Beth Wester will be asked to speak with Jon Watkins; Susan Imhoff agreed to speak with Marion Moore.

Te advised us that Cindi Phillips wants to return to the club after an LOA; he proposed that extend her LOA to 09/30/2014 and get her accounting corrected so she can pay and return

**Motion to extend LOA for Cindi Phillips to 09/30/2014, resinstate her effective 10/1/2014 and correct her accounting offered by Stan Humphries, 2nd by Denny Silva. Motion Carried.**

**Report from Club Directors:**

**Susan** **Imhoff** reported that she and Martin Turbidy were meeting this afternoon to find an alternative meeting place for Rotary. Alternative places being considered are: King and Price, Christ Church Parish House, St. Simons Community Church, Benny’s Red Barn, Epworth, and the Davis Love Grill.

**Jennifer** **Broadus** reported the result of the email vote for the Rotary Banner was 7 for the Light House and 6 for the Sail Boat; so the new banner will be the Light House design. Regarding Rotary Day, Jennifer’s committee has determined that this will be a Spring event with the following goals: Public Relations, Education about what Rotary does, Building Awareness, and Involvement of the Entire Club.

**Old Business:**

John Matthews: At last meeting it was agreed that we would have a vote of the membership on changes to the By-Laws at today’s meeting. However, after input from the membership, it is recommended that a requirement to “support the Rotary Foundation” in Article I Section I paragraph 4 be removed from the changes to the By-Laws. The vote on the By-Laws should be postponed until next week’s meeting on September 23; Sherrye Gibbs will send out the edited changes to the By-Laws today so that all members will have the opportunity to read them prior to the vote on 09/23.

**John Matthews offered a motion to re-submit the edited By-Laws to the membership removing the Rotary Foundation requirement with a vote scheduled for 09/23/2014. Te Turner, 2nd. Motion carried.**

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40. The next meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2014 at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary Date of Approval

Rotary Club of St. Simons Island