

**Stillwater Sunrise Rotary**  
**Board Minutes**  
**May 25, 2007**

**Attendance:** Craig Leiser, Orwin Carter, Mark Fisher, Paul Jennings, Ken McGinley, Roger Ruetten, Steve Madsen, Cheryl Kohout, Mike Holsten, Margie Horning, Paula Williams and Del Peterson.

**Presidents Report** - Craig Leiser called the meeting to order.

**Secretary's Report** - The 4/26/07 Board Minutes were submitted and approved

**Treasurer's Report** - Roger Ruetten submitted his report and it was approved - it looks like we will net about \$5500 from the Brewer's Bazaar

**Avenues of Service -**

**International** - Polio Plus - this will probably be an ongoing project and our club will contribute \$10/member/year from our general funds.

Ecuador project - funding is 99% complete and additional information can be found on our website.

Exchange student - we agreed to fund approximately \$105 of additional expenses for Olga (re-ticketing her flight so she can attend our picnic, prom, and senior class party). We plan to host an exchange student every two years.

**Foundation** - \$100/year per member for the Paul Harris contribution is the club's goal. Since the club's inception we have had 59 members who are PH Fellows and we have 22 current members who are PH Fellows. To date this year, \$136 per member has been given to the foundation. Any member can go to the Rotary International website to view their individual contributions and should report any discrepancies to Orwin.

**Club Service** - The "Club Vision" process took place at the Lake Elmo Bank on 5/21/07. It was well attended and produced many good ideas which will be reviewed at a club meeting sometime in August. Matt Valek is chairing the group which will come up with an "elevator speech" which identifies what our club is about in "20 seconds or less". The club picnic will be held July 17 at Pioneer Park.

There is some interest in have some joint meetings/cooperation with Stillwater Noon, Lake Elmo, and Woodbury clubs. This is being developed.

**Membership** - Brett Emmons' membership application (submitted by Craig Leiser) was reviewed and approved. Other candidates who have indicated their interest in joining are Sue Schettle (submitted by Mark Fischer).

We approved \$700 to pay for advertising expense associated with recruiting/inviting new members. We will submit the expenses to RI for potential reimbursement from the PR Grant we received.

**Community Service** - The Spring 2007 Brewer's Bazaar was very successful. Ken identified some areas where we can improve for next year but everyone has been pleased with the results.

Mark reported on the Harlem Ambassadors program - it is on track and specifics can be

found on our website. There was some discussion on the "use" of the money but our club is committed to provide \$15,000 to the Stillwater School District to be used for helping students struggling with issues of alcohol and drug abuse; whatever money we can raise through the Harlem Ambassadors event will help fund our commitment to this program. The total cost for the video vision magnifier (reading aid system) which was provided to Croixdale was \$2795 with \$1395 from District 5960 and \$1400 from our club.

**Youth Exchange** - see comments about the exchange student program under International.

**Vocational Service** - Vocational visits are being planned for Stillwater Motors and Walmart (both have recently completed major renovations/expansions).

**District Activities** - The District Training was held at St Croix Falls High School on 5/8/07; the 6 members that attended learned a lot from their participation.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Del Peterson