

**Stillwater Sunrise Rotary
Board of Directors Minutes
February 27, 2009 @ FamilyMeans**

- In attendance: Ken McGinley, Orwin Carter, Steve Madsen, Rick Robbins, Margie Horning, Janis Donnelly, Brett Emmons, Mike Holsten, Bob Rupp, Brent Voight, Arba-Della Beck, Matt Valek, Craig Leiser
- Ken called the meeting to order at 7:04.
- ***The December 19 minutes were approved.***
- Treasurer's Update: Ken, in Roger's absence.
 - Joseph's is asking to increase per meal costs from \$7.99 to \$8.45. This cost includes meal, tax and tip. Ken and/or Roger will talk to Joe about the increase requesting more say in the meal choices and expecting better quality and nutritional options. A vote to approve the increase will be taken after this discussion at next Board meeting.
 - Club has three CDs all at Lake Elmo Bank. One has matured and the remaining two will mature later in the year. Treasurer and President have received competing rates for these CDs at Lake Area Bank. Board has given Treasurer discretionary authority to renew these CD's at current bank or move money to Lake Area or any other local bank.
 - Dave was encouraged to put an emphasis at next week's and future meetings on what our Fast for Hope contributions are doing today in Nicaragua.
- The DSG Application for the archery project at Stillwater HS was approved. The money from the District Grants Committee will be coming soon for the Good Samaritan project with Stillwater Noon Rotary and SAHS Archery projects.
- Membership: Ken, in Rob's absence.
 - Ken reported to the Board that Barbara Tischart is now a member of our club.
 - Board discussed reaching out to Boutwell's Landing former Rotarians to connect them to our club. Craig noted that Jim Bradshaw from the Noon club has petitioned the District to charter a new club at Boutwell's for Boutwell's residents. Board talked about options of having bus bring residents to Joseph's for regular club meetings, or hosting a breakfast meeting at Boutwell's. Bob will talk with the Director at Boutwell's to explore options for hosting and promotion.
 - Ken encouraged the Board to be thinking of particular vocations such as doctors and retail for which there is not much representation on our Club to consider a vocational visit or special marketing outreach to gain new members.
 - Ken will soon have two sample clothing items that he is interested in offering to members to purchase in honor of the Club's 25th Anniversary. Ken will bring samples to regular Club meeting.
- Brewers Bazaar: Ken, in Mark's absence
 - Committees need to be working—especially the marketing committee. Mike reported that the Silent Auction committee is exploring whether a silent auction or raffle or some other set up would be better for this event.
- Vocation: Matt Valek
 - Six essays have been submitted for the essay contest from Stillwater High School.
 - Club will sponsor one student to Camp RYLA, but has the discretion to accept two if outstanding candidates are found. Matt is currently working with High School staff to identify candidates.
- Youth Exchange: Ken, in Paula's absence

- The Board expressed appreciation to Shari Clifford for offering to host Mabe in her desire to stay through the summer.
- Mabe will not be traveling out east with other Youth Exchange students from around the country.
- Strive: Craig, in Dave's absence
 - We are close in establishing a set of policies for Youth Protection with regard to volunteers from Rotary in our schools. The new, permanent policy is going before the District 5960 Board of Directors at the District the end of March.
- Craig Update
 - Craig's District Conference will be April 15-16, 2011 at the Prom Center and nearby facilities. Rich Cummings and Gretchen Stein have agreed to co-chair the event. Committee chairs will be coming from local clubs offering to help host the event.
- Approval of District 5960 application to participate in the Rotary Foundation Visioning pilot program.
 - Ken responded with a yes vote to a request from the District seeking our Club's participation in a pilot program for a new process for distributing Rotary Foundation dollars. The Board supported that vote.
- Paul Harris Honorary Award
 - ***Board approved the President to move forward with establishing a Paul Harris for Bob Foley's spouse as Bob was an active and participating Rotarian in our Club at the time of his passing.***
- Upcoming 08-09 Board Meeting Dates
 - April 17th, 2009—Ken will explore keeping this date the same or moving it since it is the same day as the start of the District Conference
 - June 12th, 2009
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:13.