

Stillwater Sunrise Rotary Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2012

Present: **Rick Robbins, Dave Newman, Jason Hanlon, Bob Gray, Roger Ruetten, Jon Stillman, Mark Fisher, Shari Clifford, Val Fisher, Orwin Carter, Paula Williams, Janis Donnelly, Ken McGinley, Brent Voight**

Mark called our attention to the *Seven Signs of a Thriving Rotary Club*, handed out at the District Mid-Term. Mark figures we score 132 out of 160 possible points, which he equates to a “B.”

Mark pointed out the goals summary for all clubs in our district shows our Club is doing quite well in the areas of Foundation giving, membership, and Polio Plus giving.

The District Budget for the next year includes a \$2 per member increase in district dues. That amount equates to \$6,000 at the district level. The Board gave its blessing to Mark to share the Club’s support for the increase.

The Board approved the December Board Minutes as submitted.

Our Club has committed to the Young Professionals Campaign, which will dovetail with the New Generations pilot program we have already committed to. Both projects are coordinated through Rotary International and are intended to serve younger professionals in the community and draw these same professionals into Rotary. Timeline for the Campaign is unknown. The Club will kick off the New Generations pilot in the summer, preparation for which is being done by Bob Gray, Mark Fisher, Noelle Volin and six young people from the community.

The Board accepted the Financials report as presented. The Club’s financials are in good order.

The Board decided to renew its membership with the Stillwater Chamber of Commerce and will seek a member of the Club to regularly attend Chamber meetings and report back to the Club.

STRIVE started with 28 students, with 25 still attending. 13 have perfect attendance and 15 are attending Century College. Several other students are already accepted into college for the Fall. With only 12 active mentors, we are short the adult participation and leadership, but the program is working well and effectively serving these students.

The goal for Brewer’s Bazaar is \$22,500, accomplished through ticket sales, raffle and sponsorships. Dean & John have already solicited several sponsorships and involvement from area businesses. The Board is expecting each member to participate in selling SEVEN tickets. With this event as the sole community fundraiser for the Club this year, participation of all Club members is essential for a successful event. The Board also asks that members will begin communicating about the event to your networks through word-of-mouth, Facebook, email or other means. Members can direct those interested to brewersbazaar.com for all the event details.

The Board authorizes the Brewer’s Bazaar committee to spend up to \$1,500 for raffle prizes. The committee and the Board believe a robust raffle is essential to maximizing the fundraising potential of the event.

The Board approved a \$500 contribution to the Belle Plaine Rotary Club for their project with the local food shelf. This money will be matched through the District Grant process.

Board Meetings:

March 23rd 7-8:30

May 25th 7-8:30

Overall Club Goals and Objectives:

	<u>As of 7-15-11</u>	<u>9-23-11</u>	<u>12-6-11</u>	<u>1-27-12</u>
1. Projected membership in 2011-2012-From 53 to 55 members	56	59	60	60
2. Average attendance—same as 2010-2011 77.99%	82%	64%	72%	77%
3. Annual Program Fund from \$5800 to \$6250 <i>This year =\$7517</i>		\$371	\$2693	\$8,798
4. Polio Plus from \$2500 to \$2750 <i>This year =\$4675</i>		\$0	\$1610	\$2,708
5. District and International goals. <i>(We will ask Orwin to help Us on these Goals. More to follow.)</i>				
6. EREY Goal is 100%	32%	26%	53%	88%