

Minutes of 04/14/21 MWC Kiwanis Board of Directors Meeting

Board Members Present: Barbara Polanski, Mike Albarelli, Dan Andrews, Susan Staples Smith, Maura Ammendolia, Chris Booras, Joan Kenney, John Gallo, Ralph Fiore, Darlene Ference

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by President Barbara Plonski via the Zoom online meeting application due to the COVID-19 virus restriction on group gatherings. Participants could view and speak with each other. Dan Andrews opened the meeting with a prayer.

Secretary's February Minutes – Motion to approve by Joan Kenney and seconded by Ralph Fiore. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Allen Gould said our funds have recovered from the stock market drop in March 2020. In response to Dan's question about our balance being higher than normal, Allen said it was due to donations, fewer requests for help being received and the good market.

Passport Book Update – Chris Booras reported that the committee is right on schedule. Books will be distributed on May 12 at the Ledges Brewery. Books will also be for sale that night by credit card, cash or check. He is looking for our pop up tent for the Duck Race sale of books. President Barbara will see if she can locate it.

Golf Committee Update – Ralph Fiore and Chris Booras are heading up the committee this year. The committee will meet on May 7 to discuss sponsors. All arrangements are on schedule for the Friday, August 6th event. Eight of the 16 teams needed are signed up to date.

Donation Requests

Gibson Center – Our club has contributed to older adults in the past. A motion was made by Sue and seconded by Dan to respond to their appeal letter by donating \$300. All in favor with one abstention.

Vaughan Center Food Pantry – Their wish to purchase a software program to track inventory and keep up with records needed to work with government agencies is ongoing. President Barbara is waiting for them to provide more details.

MWV Eaters and Growers Board – Maura contacted this group of 75 farmers and growers of food and other products. Our club would like to help families with children purchase fresh food. Exactly how to accomplish this with the group is being worked on. It is a very new organization. Maura will update the board at the next meeting.

Other

Chris Booras spoke with the owners of Cathedral Ledge Distillery. They would be happy to speak at our April 28 general meeting. He will send details to President Barbara.

Because of conflicts with Bike Safe Day and the Habitat Women's Build occupying the time of many of our members, our road cleanup normally done on Valley Pride Day will now take place on May 1.

Next Board meeting is May 26, 2021 via Zoom at 5:00 p.m. This is a time change from 6:30 p.m.

Summary of Expenditures:

\$300 Gibson Center