

MINUTES FOR DISTRICT 5340 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOV. 7,
2009

Attendees: Governor Marge Cole, Membership Chair Carl Kruse, Finance Committee Chair Sandi Rimer, DGE Dave Breeding, Chief of Staff Larry Sundram, Secretary Linda Sundram, Community Service Chair Mel Gallegos, Nominating Committee Chair Pam Russell, Dist Trainer Dale Bailey, Marty Rosenstein, Chief Asst Governor Bill Stumbaugh, Vocation & Youth Chair Paul Pierce, DGNDDick Stevens, Jim Hughes, Club Service Chair Diane Crawford, Janice Kurth (observer), Services Chair Louise Andres

Governor Marge called the meeting to order at 9:04AM.

Vocation & Youth Chair Paul Pierce moved and DGE Dave Breeding seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Rotary Leadership meeting of Aug. 4, 2009.

DGE Dave Breeding presented his District operating budget for the 2010 – 2011 year. The budget presentation included the current year and comparisons to the prior 4 years. The DEC was asked to review and use the LinkedIn forum for discussion and questions.

DGE Dave Breeding then presented the committee the next steps in the District Strategic Planning process. Each member of the committee is assigned to one of the five initiatives. Each team has a team leader who is responsible for creating an action plan for their initiative and seeing to its completion. Team leaders will be expected to report progress directly to the committee. Prior to the end of the year, the accomplishments of each team will be published on the Website for all Rotarians to review and comment.

Membership Chair Carl Kruse proposed the following District Badge Policy.

The District Governor, District Governor-Elect, District Governor Nominee and Club Presidents will be provided the Rotary International “theme” name badge for their year they hold that particular office. All other district leaders, to include Assistant Governors, Foundation/Membership Mentors, District Executive Committee members and Committee Chairs will be provided “generic” name badge.

Community Service Chair Mel Gallegos moved and Chief of Staff Larry Sundram seconded approval of this recommendation. Following discussion, this policy was approved.

Vocation & Youth Chair Paul Pierce proposed the following District Youth and Vocational Service Policy.

It is the policy of District 5340 that the following District Chairs be appointed by the District Governor and shall appear under the General Services Chair on the District 5340 Organizational Chart: Club Services Chair, Vocational Services Chair, International Services Chair, Community Services Chair, and Youth Services Chair.

Furthermore, it is the policy of District 5340 that: (1) Rotary Clubs are encouraged to adopt a similar structure for the appointment of their services chairs; (2) the District website shall include the leadership position of Youth Services Chair for each Rotary Club with the expectation that each club will annually appoint such a chair; (3) Rotary Clubs are encouraged to fully develop programs and events that promote Vocational Services under the leadership of the club's Vocational Services Chair; and (4) if a Rotary Club assigns overall supervision of Youth Services to another club services chair, then the Rotary Club must list that other services chair on the District website as its Youth Services Chair so that clear lines of communication exist among the District and the Rotary Clubs.

Finance Committee Chair Sandi Rimer made a motion to accept this recommendation and Community Service Chair Mel Gallegos seconded. Following discussions, the recommendation was accepted.

DGNDDick Stevens was asked find a Chairperson to head up the new Vocational Service committee and to put together some ideas for the clubs to better support this area.

DGE Dave Breeding announced that the job of Assistant Governor was being changed. This position was being asked to act as mentors to the President –Elects for the six months prior to their Rotary terms. The expectation is that this will make things easier when they become President. The District has been divided into 16 areas and each AG has 3 – 5 clubs to work with. The AG's should encourage their clubs to work together as teams and should promote continuity within each club.

DGE Dave Breeding also announced that each of the 16 areas would have a Foundation Mentor and a Membership Mentor to help clubs in these extremely important areas. DGE Dave Breeding strongly encouraged the committee members to use LinkedIn as the vehicle for discussion amongst the members between meetings.

Feb 6, 2009 will be the next meeting of the DEC where DGNDDick Stevens will report on the progress of the Vocational Service Committee.

April 10, 2010 will be the final meeting of the DEC for the 2009 – 2010 year.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Sundram, Dist. Secretary