

**Rotary Club of Decatur #180**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 19, 2007**

**Board Members Present:** Glen Dalluge, Mike DelSignore, Lora Dills, Paula Finn, Steve Furrow, David Goebel, Diane Knaebe, Al Luchetti, Jamie Maccari, Norma Maddio, Bryan Mikeworth, Lucy Murphy, Bill Owen, Jane Shade, Pen Shade, Paul Stanzione, Heather Stoa, Andy Thomas, Bud Wilcox, Glenda Williamson

**The meeting was called to order at 12:11 by President Heather Stoa.** She welcomed incoming board members Al Luchetti, Jane Shade and Mike DelSignore to the meeting.

**Minutes from the March 15, 2007 meeting were approved.**

**Financial Report:** Treasurer Lucy Murphy reported that a new intern has started and will be assisting the club in the financial reporting. Lucy renewed a certificate of deposit that matured. President Stoa asked that a listing of checks be included with the financial report. It was noted that for the first six months of the new fiscal year, it will be hard for the club to have side by side comparisons for this year versus last year due to implementation of the new system.

**Committee Reports**

**Family:** A condolence card was sent to the family of Bob Lloyd.

**Foundation:** Wegi Stewart will give the next Foundation Minute. Glen Dalluge is reviewing TRF donors to see who is close to reaching Paul Harris Fellowship and encouraging them to contribute.

**Membership:**

*Potential New Members*

Melanie Brown, DMHF – Andy Thomas (needs 2-3 months to get acclimated to her new position)  
Lisa Gillen, Park District – Diana Knaebe (has been busy and unable to attend a meeting)  
Myrrh Hector, Cancer Care Associates – Heather (planning to attend a meeting)  
Mike Heneghen – Mike DelSignore (will follow up)  
Lauren Hunt, 501 Club – Jeff Hunt  
Walter Hupe, Caterpillar – Bud Wilcox, will contact  
Bishop Livingston, President Robertson Charter School – Paul Stanzione  
Mike Mize, Jan Master – Paul Stanzione (standing invitation)  
Mark Younker, Agency One and Younker House B&B – Andy Thomas will call him

*New Members*

Howard Edwards, DPS; Julie Schwalbe, Forever Facets; Erin Brownlow, Main Street Bank and Trust; Kemper Willcut II, New York Life; Tami Crouch, Main Street Bank and Trust

*Resignations/Death*

Jesse Price, Nelda Sumner, Bob Lloyd

Resignations and report accepted (Maddio/Finn)

**Programs:** Diane Knaebe suggested a program on our committees. Glenda Williamson reported that programs are completed through June with the exception of one. Mike DelSignore recommended scheduling a program about Decatur's water situation where all positions are presented.

Steve Furrow reported that District Governor Elect Dick Wagner is scheduled to speak to our club on July 23rd, 2007. Board members should plan to meet with Dick before or after the meeting

## **Old Business:**

**Eye Clinic in India:** Heather Stoa and representatives from Forsyth and Blue Mound met with District Governor John Berhendt, Sue Berhendt and Surinder Sethi from Normal and Dr Sinha about securing a Matching Grant for equipment for the Eye Clinic in India that Dr. Sinha has established. Dr. Sinha estimates that \$45,000 to \$50,000 will be required for cataract and glaucoma surgical equipment. (Funds designated by local clubs and additional service clubs and individuals are eligible to be matched \$1 for \$1 by the District. The Rotary Foundation will match 50 cents on the dollar.) Heather is preparing a letter to be sent to area service clubs explaining the project and asking for assistance.

**Merida:** The bid for the kitchen came in at \$4,700. Rotary International will only match on projects that are \$5,000 and above and which are not a permanent part of the building. Heather asked Katinka to choose between the wish list and the kitchen. Once she hears from Katinka, she will ask Lucy to wire the money. We will talk to the District Governor Elect about future support. Paul Stanzione recommended adding gas vouchers to round up the requested grant amount to \$5000 if needed for future grant applications.

**District Conference:** The conference is May 4-5 at the Hilton in Champaign. Clubs have been asked to furnish door prizes. Steve Furrow will take ADM Enova Oil on Saturday. Mike DelSignore offered a gift basket from the Fox's Den.

## **New Business**

**Change in membership status:** Jim Williams is an honorary member.

**Goals for 2007-08 Rotary year:** Steve Furrow asked for discussion on his goals

1. Continue work on our two international projects
2. Nurture Rotaract relationship
3. Add one new service project (possibly the renovation of the playground at the zoo)
4. Increase meeting attendance
5. Continue succession of officers

**Rotary Endowment Fund:** Heather, Lucy and Glen met to discuss building the Rotary Club of Decatur Endowment Fund through the Community Foundation as a way to fund our contributions that does not rely on meal surplus funds gained through poor attendance by members. Our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be in 2015, and it is recommended that our goal be to generate \$25,000 each year to be used for contributions. Heather asked board members to think about ways to build the endowment.

A motion passed to move money upon maturity from a \$5,000 CD to the Endowment Fund in memory of Stu Black, Bill Shade, Jane Hawkins, Jackson Owens, and Bob Lloyd, the five members who died in the last year (Maddio/Williamson).

**Meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm**

Respectively Submitted,

William P. Shade IV  
Secretary