ROTARY CLUB OF CINCINNATI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING

#### MINUTES

#### August 24, 2017

**1:30 p.m.**

### Queen City Club Room 3

### Al Koncius, President

**MEMBERS:**

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Al Koncius, President P Jocile Erlich P

Dave Carlin, Secr/Treasurer P Janet Metzelaar P

Jack Scott, Past President P Chris Pfetzer E

Rick Flynn, President-Elect E Deborah Schultz P

Fred Fischer, Foundation President P Janet Burns E

Susan Wilkinson, Foundation P Drew Emmert P

President-Elect (ex-officio) Bryan Vielhauer P

Marc Horwitz P

**Also Present**: Linda Muth, Executive Director

## Call to Order President Al Koncius called the meeting to order at 1:26 p.m.

## Approval of Minutes

## Motion Approved: that the minutes of the July 13, 2017, meeting be approved.

Dave Carlin presented the July 2017 financial statements.

Motion Approved: that the July 2017 financial statements be received.

**Concerning Membership: Classification Committee Report**

**NEW PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Motion Approved: that the following new proposals for membership be approved:

**BOTTO**, Wesley \* Active - YP  
Line of Business : Financial Services, Diversified

Partner

Cornerstone Financial Group

Sponsors (s) : Rick Flynn

**GAMBLE**, Patrick \*Active – YP

Line of Business : Banking

Commercial Banker

Stock Yards Bank and Trust

Sponsor(s): Rick Flynn

**HABISCH**, David T. \*Active

Line of Business: Consulting, General

Chair

Vistage International

Sponsor(s): Melinda Kelly/Mike Kelly

**MACCONNELL**, Stephen T. \*Active *(returning member)*

Line of Business : Human Services, Adult

President

Cincinnati Union Bethel

Sponsor(s) : Chad Nieter

**PEREZ**, Jorge \*Corporate Member

Line of Business: Corporate *(replaces Myrita Craig)*

President/CEO

YMCA of Greater Cincinnati

**REQUESTS FOR CHANGE IN STATUS**

Motion Approved: that the following requests for changes in status be approved:

**BOWMAN**, Ellen Rand

From : Active To : Senior Active

Joined: 12/17/2009

**EHRLICH**, Jocile

From : Active To : Senior Active

Joined: 9/30/1998

**IHEME**, Nnodum

From: Active To : Senior Active

Joined : 5/2/2002

**MCCARTHY**, Beverly C.

From: Active To : Senior Active

Joined: 4/22/2017

**WRASSMAN**, Owen J.

From: Active To : Senior Active

Joined: 3/18/1985

**REQUESTS FOR TERMINATION**

Motion Approved: that the following requests for termination be received with regret:

**COLE**, Lynne M.

Status : Active \*Time commitment

Joined : 9/17/2016

Line of Business : Banking

**CRAIG**, Myrita \*Corp Member Change

Status : Corporate *(new CEO hired)*

YMCA of Greater Cincinnati

**FINNIFF**, Gretchen G.

Status : Active \* Time commitment

Joined : 12/17/2009

Line of Business : Human Services, Child & Adolescent

**GOOD**, Beverly D.

Status : Senior Active \*Time commitment

Joined : 5/24/1995

Line of Business : Services, Personal

**NORD**, Peter J.

Status : Senior Active \*Transfer to Blue Ash

Joined : 6/23/1980

Line of Business : Manufacturing, Hard Goods

**PEARCE**, Matt T.

Status : Active \*Time commitment

Joined : 8/25/2011

Line of Business : Healthcare

**SAELINGER**, Tom \*Corporate Member Term

Status : Corporate *(Republic Bank member resigned)*

Republic Bank

**NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF MEMBER**

**KLINEDINST** Jr, Thomas J.

Status: Senior Active \*Deceased 7/4/2017

Line of Business: Insurance

**SABIN**, Heloisa \*Deceased 10/12/2016

Status: Honorary Member

**TERMINATION FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES**

Motion Approved: that the following member be terminated for non-payment of dues:

**CASSIN, John W.**

Status : Active

Line of Business : Financial Services, Diversified  
Joined : 9/17/16

**REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Motion Approved: that the following requests for a Leave of Absence be approved:

**Carpenter,** Julie, joined 10/10/15 – Work Meeting Schedule – 2nd LOA Request

**Gerding,** Matt, joined 10/24/13 – Work Schedule – 2nd LOA Request

**Post-Zalkind,** Elisabeth, joined 4/9/16 – Work Schedule – 1st LOA Request

**Stein,** John, joined 6/21/12 – Attendance – 1st LOA Request

**Williams,** Jared, joined 1/19/15 – Work Travel Schedule – 2nd LOA Request

**Executive Director Report**Linda Muth shared an updated list of those members who have not yet paid their July-December dues. Board members volunteered to call those members who are delinquent. Linda also shared the new PR Press Release Form she developed with Peggy Hobson Kreimer, the contractor who is working on getting more publicity for Rotary. Linda asked the board members to please share it with their committee chairs so we can continue to garner more press for the activities of the club. The forms should be sent to Linda and she will direct them to Peggy.

**President Report**

Al Koncius reiterated the importance of having the board members send out the PR form to their committee chairs. Al Koncius asked that we cancel the June 14, 2018, meeting prior to Believe 2 Achieve to relieve the extra pressure on the office staff. Fred Fischer asked if it was possible to have the last 3-4 meetings at the Hilton. Linda Muth explained that there isn’t anything we can do if the Hilton asks us to find other space. She said she would check with Sean Dennedy the chair of the committee to see if we could move Vocational Fellowship Day to earlier in the month to keep the meetings closer to B2A open.

Motion Approved: that there will not be a Rotary luncheon the week of Believe 2 Achieve (June 14, 2018).

**Past-President Report**

Jack Scott led a discussion about the club’s constitution and by-laws. He recommended several changes to be sure how the board is operating today is reflected in the club’s by-laws. Al suggested Susan Wilkinson and Jack Scott work with Sam Scoggins, the board’s legal advisor, to identify possible changes to the by-laws. Drew Emmert volunteered to assist in the review.  
  
Jack shared that a Nominating Committee has been formed and they held a meeting this week. The members of the committee are Jack Scott (Past-President) as Chair, Al Koncius (President), Rick Flynn (President-Elect), Pete Armstrong, Vickie Hunter, Russell Smith, and Susan Wilkinson (Members-at-Large).

**Committee/Director Reports**

**Marc Horwitz – Club Meetings**

Marc Horwitz reported that all of his committees are in good shape and have volunteers lined up for most of the upcoming meetings. Linda Muth added that speakers have been tentatively lined up until the end of the year.

**Dave Carlin – Membership Development/Finance Committee**

Dave Carlin shared that the committee has developed a comprehensive plan for the committee’s activities this year beginning with the first prospective member happy hour at Molly Wellman’s establishment inside the Contemporary Art Center on September 26th in conjunction with the Rotary Roadshow at the Transept with Michael Forgus as the speaker. A second event is being planned on 11/30 at Rhinegeist in conjunction with the owners of Rhinegeist speaking at Rotary that day. Brian Bascom and Kelly Shough are spearheading that effort. Linda Muth shared that we may need to move the CAC event due to the museum being closed on that day.

The Finance Committee has not met. The foundation audit/club review is scheduled to take place the week of 9/25/17.

**Janet Metzelaar – Community Service**

Janet Metzelaar shared that the balloon rides have wrapped up for the year. The Sheriff Recognition program is scheduled for August 31, 2017, and the Firefighter Recognition program is scheduled for October 5, 2017. The Jefferson Awards program is tentatively set for March 1, 2018, pending the availability of Bob Herzog.

**Chris Pfetzer – Youth Service**

No Report.

**Janet Burns – Classification/Women in Rotary**

Linda Muth shared Janet Burns’ written report. The Women in Rotary committee met on August 17th with 11 members in attendance. The committee held a discussion on the planning of the events and the following were scheduled: 9/20/17 – Gears and Beers, 10/5/17 – Emma’s Art Cart Packet Packaging Prior to Club Meeting, 11/8/17 – Candles and Cocktails, 1/18/18 – Movie Night/First Woman in Rotary. The plan is to plan six events a year, 2 service projects, and 1 all club. They plan to meet quarterly.

**Rick Flynn – New Membership**Linda Muth shared Rick Flynn’s written report:

**New Member Orientation – Carl Kappes**

The July 27th orientation had 2 new members in attendance. The next orientation is scheduled for

Thursday, September 28th.

**New Member Reception – Larry Cunningham**

The August 1st New Member Reception had 18 new members in attendance. The next reception is scheduled for October 10th.

**New Member Project – Claudia Cagle**

The initial meeting on August 17th produced 3 possible projects: Cincinnati Muscle Walk, St. Joseph’s Orphanage Project and King’s Academy. The next meeting will be September 7th.

**Roadmap to Success – Bud & Mary Dornette**

The Roadmap to Success is proceeding as expected. Additional New Member Advisors are needed.

**Bryan Vielhauer**

Bryan Vielhauer reported that the Day at the Races will be held at Keeneland on October 20th which is on a Friday this year. Bowling is going well. The date has been set for the Red Light Table; it will be January 6, 2018, and the venue is TBD.

**Fred Fischer - Foundation**

Fred Fischer encouraged all the board members to participate in the Plant-a-Tree Project at Camp Allyn. He wants to be able to announce that 100% of the club and foundation board members have participated. The next Foundation Board of Trustees meeting will be on September 27, 2017, at Camp Allyn at 4:00 PM. He encouraged the board members to be sure to plan to attend. Believe 2 Achieve 2018 will be June 16, 2018, and will be held at the Anderson Pavilion. The question was raised as to why move the event and Fred shared that the attendance and funds raised were lower this year and having been in the same venue it was time for a change. Fred said he had met with Dean Gregory and his staff at Montgomery Inn and everything was left on a very positive note.

**Deborah Schultz – International Service**

Deborah Schultz shared the details on the three projects under consideration for the World Affairs project to be promoted at the October 26, 2017, Rotary meeting:

Hope for Kabingo Water project--- in Kabingo, Uganda, that is supported by the local chapter of Engineers.

All We Are -Sun Solarize, Uganda--- This project was launched by UC grad Nate Thomas, now a Rotarian in North Carolina, with the project also supported by the Raleigh Midtown Rotary Club and partner Club in Uganda.

Hope for Ndoki- Enabling health and wellness--- This project relates to the construction and maintenance of a health clinic in Ndoki area of Nigeria. It would require a new partnership with a Rotary Club in the area.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned 2:46 p.m.

Al Koncius Linda Muth

President Executive Director