ROTARY CLUB OF CINCINNATI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING MINUTES

#### April 12, 2018

**1:30 p.m.**

### Hilton Netherland Plaza Hotel - Julep Room

### Al Koncius, President

**MEMBERS:**

Al Koncius, President P Melinda Kelly P

Dave Carlin, Secr/Treasurer P Janet Metzelaar P

Fred Fischer, Foundation President P Deborah Schultz P

Jack Scott, Past President P Brett Lebhar P

Rick Flynn, President-Elect P Janet Burns P

Susan Wilkinson, Foundation P Drew Emmert E

President-Elect (ex-officio) Bryan Vielhauer P

Marc Horwitz E Sam Scoggins, Legal Advisor E

Jocile Ehrlich P to the Club Board (ex-officio)

**Also Present**: Linda Muth, Executive Director; Mary Ronan and Claudia Cagle, board member-elect Term begins 7/1/18

## Call to Order President Al Koncius called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m.

## Approval of Minutes

## Motion Approved: that the minutes of the March 8, 2018, and the Special Session, March 22, 2018, meetings be approved.

Dave Carlin presented the March 2018 financial statements.

Motion Approved: that the March 2018 financial statements be received.

**Concerning Membership: Classification Committee Report**

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

**NEW PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP**

**BILOTT**, Robert A. “Rob” \*Active

Line of Business: Law Practice

Partner

Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP

Sponsor: Jack Scott

**FINLEY**, Jordan R. \*Active - YP

Line of Business: Insurance

Benefits Consultant

Northwestern Mutual

Sponsor: Debbie Bowman

**TERRY**, Vincent O. \*Active

Line of Business: Architecture

Director of Cincinnati Operations

Moody Nolan Inc.

Sponsor: Steve Haber

**REQUEST FOR TERMINATION**

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

**JUERGENS**, Iris M. \*New job; Time constraints

Status: Active

Joined: 1/20/2018

Line of Business: Healthcare  
Sponsor: Rich Dineen

**KILIAN**, Michael W. \* Moved out of state

Status: Active

Joined: 1/23/2016

Line of Business: Media

Sponsor: Matt Gerding

Motion Approved: that the following termination was affirmed by the board:

**TERMINATION AFFIRMATION**

**JAMISON**, Andrew “Jamie” Medical/Other

Line of Business: Automobile

Auto Broker

Joseph Leasing, LLC

Sponsor: Ken Saunders/Al Koncius

**NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF MEMBER**

**ABRAHAMSON**, Ira A. March 10, 2018

Honorary Member

**President Report**Al Koncius shared that a past presidents’ breakfast was held at Kenwood Country Club. The past presidents have a social dinner event that is held in September at the Queen City Club. This was a more business oriented meeting and included an update to the club’s operations. It was very well received by the group.

Susan Wilkinson and Sam Scoggins are continuing to work on the language for the by-laws on the language as to the question of filling seats on the Club Board.

Al asked the board members to send the PR form to their committees so we can boost our public relations efforts.

Executive Committee Meeting last month.

**Executive Director Report**Linda Muth shared that the past-due members from the January-June billing cycle have all been cleared. Billing for theJuly-December period will be done in the first couple weeks in May.

Linda shared a few details about the upcoming Rotary International Convention in Toronto activities

Linda asked for volunteers to sit on a committee to review the solicitation guidelines for the club. We’ve had isolated incidents of misuse of the club directory. Linda has surveyed the other large clubs and they shared their policies. Rick Flynn, Dave Carlin, Janet Burns, and Deborah Schultz agreed to sit on the committee. Linda will share the large club survey results with the committee.

**Committee/Director Reports**

**Marc Horwitz – Club Meetings**

Nothing new to report.

**Dave Carlin – Membership Development**

Dave shared that we started the year at 346 and we’re currently at 336. There is one prospect who will attend Classification in May. The short term goal – at a minimum is to grow back to a 346 level.

There are currently 25 prospects signed up to attend the April 19th event at Woodward Theater and Kelly Shough is developing a plan to aggressively follow-up with those prospects.

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

Women in Rotary hosted a St. Patrick’s Day party/prospective member event at the Irish Heritage Center on Thursday, March 15, 2018. It was well attended and included several prospective members as well.

**Rick Flynn – New Membership   
New Member Orientation – Carl Kappes**

The next orientation is scheduled for April 26.

**New Member Reception – Larry Cunningham**

The New Member Reception was held on March 20th at the Taft Center

**New Member Project – Claudia Cagle**

The Spring new member project will be a Talents & Interest Vocational Fair for St. Joseph’s Orphanage Altercrest Program. The project will be on May 11, 2018.

**Roadmap to Success – Bud Dornette**

Bud is working with Terri Boeing to resurrect the Roadmap to Success process.

**Bryan Vielhauer – Club Social Activities**

Bryan reported that the social season; euchre is going really well and bowling wrapped up their season with a huge win over Dayton Rotary on March 23rd.

**Drew Emmert – Membership Engagement**

Linda Muth shared that the Membership Retention Committee has scheduled a breakfast at the National Exemplar restaurant on Tuesday, May 15th. Vocational Fellowship Day is May 3rd.

**Fred Fischer – Foundation Matters**

Susan Wilkinson shared the report of the foundation nominating committee. John Fahrmeier will serve as President-Elect, Trish Smitson as Treasurer-Elect, and the three trustees will be Tim Bayer, Ted Saulnier, and Jane Birckhead.

**Deborah Schultz – International Service**

Deborah shared that a preliminary grant application for the Butambala district was submitted. The RI global grant will need to focus on the well/water aspect of the project because it is one of the six areas of focus for Rotary International. Deborah shared the details on the RI grant process and the frustration that there are no guarantees that approval will be forthcoming. Shared information for school about World Affairs publicity.

**Janet Metzelaar – Community Service**

Janet reported that Police Recognition is April 26th. Hands on Service Projects have been scheduled for the remainder of the year and include the Flying Pig Marathon, an assembly event for MDA, and Learning is Cool with the Marvin Lewis Foundation at the Zoo.

**Brett Lebhar – Youth Service**

4-Way Test Speech Contest - Rithu Rajagopala, our Club's winner, came in 1st Place at the Rotary District Speech Contest on April 8. She'll be giving her winning speech at the District Conference.

RYLA

The committee finished interviewing students in February. All 5 students will attend camp on April 20-22. Our students are from: DePaul Cristo Rey, Taft, Cincinnati Country Day, Indian Hill, and Seton. On May 10, these RYLA students will come to our Rotary Club meeting.

Interact

The Walnut Hills High School Interact Club recently did a community project of serving a meal to the women at the Esther Marie Hatton Center for Women. The Interact Club is having elections for leaders for next year, and is in good shape with candidates who want to serve. Sean Dennedy gave us the name of a faculty contact (Nancy Hands) at Anderson High School who has an interest in finding out more about Interact. Brett, with Madeleine LaJeunesse, are in touch with her and with Cheryl Kemper, the Faculty Advisor of the Key Club at Anderson H.S. Not sure yet if this will lead to anything. Our RYLA student from Cincinnati Country Day expressed a possible interest in having an Interact Club at their school. When the student and faculty advisor from CCD are at our Rotary meeting May 10, Scott Hoberg and I will discuss this with them.

Community Rotaract

Linda Muth contacted dozens of large Rotaract Clubs to see which ones have strong Community Rotaract Clubs. Sam Schutte and Russell Smith are using this list to make phone calls -- asking questions that should help us learn how best to re-launch Community Rotaract here. Brett and Linda will meet with Sam, Russell, and Bill Shula on April 19 to review results of the phone calls.

UC Rotaract Club

Ed Mathis and Corey Asay joined Vickie Hunter on the committee. They came up with a “Career Speed Dating” idea, and contacted the UC Career Services Office. Dave Carlin knows a UC student involved in Camp Kesem. We'll reach out to the Harrison Rotary Club,which co-sponsored UC Rotaract with us, to see who they have that might be ready to help. Brett proposed we give UC Rotaract one more year to get re-launched. If that doesn't work, let it lapse.

**Jocile Ehrlich – Fundraising and Special Activities**

**Split the Pot - Bob McElroy**: $7,172 through April - more than $2000 ahead of this time last year. ($4,884)

**Meeting Sponsorships - Shirley Love/Pete Armstrong:** We currently have 12 sponsors signed up and Pete Armstrong is working hard to increase that number. He is willing to stay on as chair next year.

**Festival of Dinners - Michael Schatzman, Becky Sittason, Rachel Loughry**:

They’re still working to fill up a number of dinner opportunities. Becky Sittason would like to chair again next year and Fred Fisher has agreed to co-chair. Bob McElroy and Owen Wrassman will be joining the committee as well. Rachel is moving to the Condon School Committee, which works better with her schedule.

**Wally Emmerling Day - Steve Haber**: Steve met with the recipient’s spouse and daughter and will have a rough draft of the slide program and script this week. They are contacting the speakers they have identified and the guest list is being generated. Carl Kappes will once again act as host to the guests during their pre-program luncheon. The jacket and plaque are being ordered.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business:

Motion approved: that the meeting be adjourned 2:52 p.m.

Al Koncius Linda Muth

President Executive Director