



Minutes of the
Wednesday, August 10, 2016 meeting of the
Van Rensselaer Division Council



Call to order – Lt. Governor Pat Lane called the meeting to order at 4:40pm.

Roll Call – Secretary David Booker called the roll:

Clubs represented:

Kiwanis Club of Castleton-Schodack, NY: four members present including President Mary Lou Kulpa and Secretary Marty Ray;

Kiwanis Club of East Greenbush, NY: two members present;

Kiwanis Club of Hoosick Falls, NY: two members present including Secretary Gale Leva;

Kiwanis Club of North Greenbush, NY: no members present;

Kiwanis Club of Rensselaer, NY: 11 members present including President Don Bink, Secretary Donna Baxter & Chairman of the Board Mollie Shook and two guests;

Kiwanis Club of Sand Lake, NY: seven members present including President Stuart Nippes and Secretary David Booker;

Kiwanis Club of Troy, NY: two members present;

Division Officers present:

Lt. Governor Patricia A. Lane;

Lt. Governor Designate Stephen Vadney;

Division Treasurer PDLG Robert S. Pasquarelli;

Division Secretary PG David E. Booker;

Service Leadership Programs District Officers present:

NY District Key Club Committee Member for Division XVIII Wendy Prout

Division Chairs present:

Formula New Club Builder Robert R. Loveridge.

Opening remarks of the Lt. Governor – Lt. Governor Pat Lane thanked all who took the time to attend this meeting. She also thanked everyone for the great support that they have shown during the summer. She remarked that she had attended the KIcon for the first time and she encouraged everyone to take advantage of this great Kiwanis experience.

Approval of the previous minutes (May 10, 2016) – Secretary David Booker remarked that a copy of the draft minutes was included in each of the participants' packets and that the minutes had also been posted on the division's web site. Without any correction the minutes were accepted as published by a voice vote after the appropriate motion was made and supported.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Bob Pasquarelli noted that the only changes from last month were the reimbursements made to the clubs requesting them for delegates to the KIcon and the reimbursement to the Lt. Governor as provided by the budget. After the appropriate motion was made and supported the council accepted the report for filing on a voice vote.

Remarks of the Lt. Governor Designate – Lt. Governor Designate Stephen Vadney informed the council that he was looking forward to attending the Buffalo NYDCon. He also announced the tentative arrangements for the NYD Governor's visit/Division-wide Club Officer Installation, a luncheon at the Franklin Terrace on Saturday, October 1, and the Club Presidents and Secretaries Training, Saturday, September 24 at 8am at the East Greenbush Library.

Old Business:

Donation to support “Weekend Food Backpacks” Project – PDLG Wendy Prout renewed her presentation of this request noting that at the May meeting the motion to donate \$2,500 to the program had been tabled for a second time. She expressed her personal frustration at the length of time that it has taken for a decision to be made (twice tabled and with two scheduled meetings being cancelled.) A number of questions and concerns with the amount of the request, area to be serviced (elementary schools in the APCSD), whether this was a duplication of other programs (these areas are not currently being served), other sources of funding (none had been approached at this time.) Upon a motion duly made, supported and carried on a voice vote the amount to be donated was amended to \$1,500.00. Without any objections the amended motion was declared as carried.

New Business – Secretary Booker called attention to the report included in the packets of the “money owed to Kiwanis International.” He noted that Kiwanis had included the fees for renewing K-Kids and Builders Clubs for the 2016-17 administrative year. He also mentioned the instructions for the renewal of the SLP clubs that were included in the packets. He urged the club secretaries to take note of the changes in the Youth Protection Guidelines and the requirements for Kiwanis Club SLP Advisors’ criminal background checks.

Club Reports:

Rensselaer: no members attending the Buffalo NYDCon. Tonight’s concert is the last in the Summer Concert series. The annual Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for the Sunday before election day at the Rensselaer Boy’s Club.

Hoosick Falls: IPLG Jim Prout will be representing the club at the convention. The club’s golf tournament will be held at Dutch Haven Golf Course Saturday, August 20 – all invited to participate.

Castleton/Schodack: there will be one club member attending the convention. The annual Cove Run will be held Saturday and the first of next year’s chicken Bar-B-Que is coming soon in October.

Troy: Three members including the Club President designate will be attending the convention as delegates. The Lt. Governor designate will be a delegate at large. Arrangements for the club’s 100th Anniversary celebration were announced: Friday, October 28 – a bowling event; Saturday, October 29 – a service project in the morning and a gala celebration Saturday evening at the Franklin Terrace (\$57 per person – registration on line at the club’s web site.) Commemorative pins for the event were distributed to all at the council meeting.

East Greenbush: one member will be attending the convention. The club is in the process of forming a Key Club in Gent, NY and a Builders Club in East Greenbush.

Sand Lake: two members will be attending the convention. The monthly spaghetti dinner is scheduled for Saturday; everyone is invited; the club’s Food Trailer Fund Raiser/Community Service project at the Averill Park Youth Soccer Program will be starting next month.

North Greenbush: No report filed.

Next Division Council meeting – Kiwanis Club of North Greenbush – Wednesday, September 21, 2016. No details available at the meeting.

Adjournment – Lt. Governor Pat Lane adjourned the meeting at 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Booker,
Division Secretary