

**Minutes of the Fifth meeting
of the
Van Rensselaer Division Council
for the 2010-11 administrative year.
Hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Castleton, NY
at the Castleton Volunteer Ambulance Squad
on July 20, 2011**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Lt. Governor Wendy Prout.

Roll Call:

Clubs: Castleton - 17, East Greenbush - 7, Hoosick Falls - 4, North Greenbush - 3, Rensselaer - 8, Sand Lake - 7, Troy - 3.

District Officer present: Past Governor Dave Booker, District Governor Candidate Albert E. Norato, Jr.

Division Officers present: Secretary Jim Prout and Treasurer Bob Pasquarelli

SLP Guests: Key Club Lt. Gov. Elect Sarah Brady, NY District Treasurer Emily Gicewiez

Approval of the minutes: Upon a motion duly made and seconded the minutes of the May 17, 2011 Division Council were accepted as corrected.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report: Upon a motion duly made and seconded and carried on a voice vote the Treasurer's Report was accepted for filing.

Lt. Governor's Report: Lt. Gov. Wendy reported that \$600 was raised in the Koins for Kamp - the Rensselaer Club won the raffle, and therefore sent one kid to Kamp with the money.

Delegate forms for District Convention are due and should be submitted to Lt. Gov. Wendy as soon as possible. At this time, only Troy and Sand Lake have submitted forms.

Lt. Gov. Wendy called upon Past District Governor David Booker to introduce Al Norato, the candidate for District Governor Elect. Al Norato spoke on his reasons for running for District Governor.

Lt. Gov. Wendy announced that we are still looking for a Lt. Governor Elect to follow Bob Loveridge. Al Norato encouraged any past presidents to consider serving as Lt. Governor.

Report on International Convention: Past Governor David Booker and Past Lt. Gov. Noreen Barrett reported on the events and proceedings held at the International Convention in Geneva.

Report on District Convention: Lt. Gov. Wendy reported that a basket raffle would be held at the NY District Convention. She asked if each club would give a voluntary donation of \$25.00 towards the cost of a basket for the Division. Upon motion of Harleen Hilton, duly seconded, and carried by a majority of those present, it was approved that each club give a voluntary donation of \$25 to cover the cost of a Division basket for the raffle.

Division Committee Reports:

Governor's Project: Lt. Gov. Wendy reminded each club to continue working on fulfillment of the requirements of the Governor's Project.

Sponsored Leadership Services:

Clare Farnung, Lt. Gov. of Circle K, sent a thank you letter for the Division support of her trip to Circle K International Convention in Virginia Beach.

Emily Gicewiez, NY District Key Club Treasurer requested that clubs remind our sponsored Key Clubs to send in their dues. She showed a Power Point presentation on the Key Club International Convention held in Arizona, and thanked the Division for its support. She presented a tee shirt to Lt. Gov. Wendy to thank her for her support throughout the year.

Sarah Brady, Key Club Lt. Gov. announced her upcoming Divisional Meeting. She thanked the Division for its support for her attendance at International Convention. She announced upcoming events, and presented Lt. Gov. Elect Bob Loveridge with a tee shirt.

Dale Hall thanked the Division for its support of the two Key Club members to the International Convention, and noted that our division may have three members on the executive committee in the coming year.

Public Relations: Noted that many clubs have been using the Advertiser to get their events information out to the public.

Project Eliminate: Past Lt. Gov. Noreen handed out information to club presidents about the Eliminate Project, the International Service Project.

Social Activities: Mary Lou Kulpa announced a bus trip to Amish country in Pennsylvania to attend a production of "Joseph" at the Sight and Sound Theater. This will be an overnight trip, and more information will be forthcoming.

The second annual Division Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2011 from 1 to 5 PM at the Schodack Town Park. Be sure to invite your sponsored leadership clubs to attend.

Theater Barn event is this week. If you still want to go, please contact the Theater Barn directly for tickets.

Webmaster: no report

Club Reports: See attached.

Old Business: None

New Business: John Brownrigg discussed the "Stars for Troops" project. The stars from the candles (the blue star field) from retired flags are cut out and put in small plastic bags with a note of thanks for service to the country. These stars are given to current troops and veterans as a way to express our gratitude. John asked each club president to see him after the meeting to get a supply of candles to cut up for the project.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM

Respectfully submitted,

James Prout