



District 6780 Business Meeting

Saturday May 6, 2023

Call to Order

DG Al Clark

District Governor Al Clark called the meeting to order at 10:30am and welcomed the attendees to the District Conference at the DreamMore Resort.

Secretary's Report

Patty Daughtrey, District Secretary (Absent)

DG Al noted that Patty had previously made the Secretary's report available electronically. Beth Stubbs made a motion that we waive the reading of the minutes and approve. PRIP John Germ seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

State of the District

DG Al Clark

District Governor Al Clark shared that the District is in great shape. He shared that from the responses he got from his surveys, that there are 2 things that define who we are and what we believe is important: Fellowship and Service. These 2 things are why we meet, and why we do what we do. He noted that our membership is back over 3,000 members and that our District continues to be the one that everyone compares themselves to regarding Foundation contributions. Right now, D6780 is number one in Zones 30 & 31 in membership growth with +96 net, and number 2 in Foundation Giving, behind our friends from Kentucky. DG Al also stated that for the 1st time ever, we have a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) chair. Ed Jones of the Farragut Club is serving in that capacity. DG Al's full comments are included in detail on the attached copy of his speech.

Authentication of Credentials

Bob Guerrero, Election/Credential Chair

Bob Guerrero noted that there are 62 Rotary Clubs and 12 Rotaract Clubs in our District, with 139 votes in total. He certified the credentials for 41 electors in attendance. He passed out ballots and explained that there were 2 ballots today: 1) Nominating Committee to select the District Governor for Rotary Year 2026-27 and 2) Council on Legislation Representative.

Treasurer's Report

Jenifer Campbell, District Treasurer

Jenifer presented the June 30, 2022 financial report (attached) and stated that the District had \$265,604 in assets and had a loss last Rotary Year of \$3,721. Since we had approved a budget with a loss of over \$17.5K last year, we actually underran our budget by \$13.8K.

Next, Jenifer presented the April 30, 2023 financial report (attached) which included assets of \$297,558 and a year-to-date loss of \$5,350. In the near future our receipts will go up by some \$30K, as the PETS invoices are being issued to the clubs next week.

Cindy Gammons moved to accept the treasurer's report and Beth Stubbs seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

District Finance Committee Reports

PRID Karen Wentz, Chair Finance 23-24

Karen presented the 2023-2024 District 6780 Budget (copy attached). She noted that she worked with DGE Susie Cantrell to develop this budget and that this was the budget for Susie's year as District Governor. The receipts anticipated are \$109,835 and the planned expenses are \$145,360, the majority of which are related to training, for a net income of \$-35,525. Our rules provide for this and any negative balance will be funded from our ample District reserves.

A motion was made by PRIP John Germ to approve the budget and it was seconded. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

DG Nominating Committee Report

PDG Cindy Gammons, Chair Nominating

Cindy reported that the nominating committee met on November 18, 2022, and selected a DGN candidate for the 2025-26 Rotary Year. The nominee is David Carroll. A motion was made to accept David Carroll as the nominee and seconded. There was no discussion and the motion passed. David was also recognized for his efforts in putting together the showcase of service projects at the District Conference this year.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

DG Al Clark paused the meeting at 11:00am to all time for the ballots to be counted.

DG Al Clark resumed the meeting at 11:13

Election Results

Bob Guerrero, Election/Credential Chair

Bob Guerrero presented the following results of the elections:

The committee to elect the 26-27 District Governor:

DG Al Clark, PDG's Debbie Alexander-Davis, Cindy Gammons, and Greg Maciolek.

There was a tie between PDG's Fred Heitman and Karen Wentz for the 5th member. The person who previously served on this committee less recently will be the 5th member. Subsequently, it was determined that PDG Fred Heitman would be the 5th member.)

The committee to select the District Council on Legislation Representative:
PDG's Ron Appuhn, Fred Heitman, and Carol Foster.

There was a motion to adjourn the business meeting and a second. The motion passed.

DG Al Clark adjourned the meeting at 11:15