

Rotary District 7505 e-Club

November 11, 2021

### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Pres Van Stine.

Present:	Michael Van Stine-President
	Manuel Nunez-Treasurer
	David Winter-Secretary
	Dave Tangi
	Justin Green
	Jimmy Simmermon

Pres V began the meeting by asking for approval of the minutes from our October 14 and 28 meetings. Noting that there were no changes, a motion was made by Dave second by Manny to approve the minutes of October 14 and October 28. Motion carried.

Pres V advised there would be no meeting on Thanksgiving night. Our next meeting will be DG Chuck's visit meeting on December 9<sup>th</sup>. He asked Dave to help by making calls to members to remind them of the importance to attend and Dave agreed.

Pres V informed all that all Indian Rocks RC raffle ticket stubs were due back by December 2<sup>nd</sup>. He thanked the Indian Rocks Club for extending the deadline. Pres V commended Manny and Kathleen for their efforts in selling an extremely large number of raffle tickets so far this year. He said sales will easily exceed the 160 we sold last year.

Pres V reminded all that DG Chuck will be making his annual club visit with us on Dec. 9.

Pres V provided an update on the name change process. He said he was frustrated with endless delays in getting final approval. He again assured all that PDG Bill and current DG Chuck have been working hard to get this done for us once and for all. He said he spoke to RI Officers Sophie and Sarah, and they said they would reach out to DG Chuck when he returns from his recent trip.

Pres V said the renewed plans for the Rotaract Club at Rutgers continue to progress well and that all university-side logistics have been covered. He explained that RI prefers 15 names on the charter application but will accept any number and that the University only requires a listing of initially appointed e-board members. So, all are working on just the initial appointments. As before, no upper age limit will apply. The dues will be \$5 in 2021 and \$8 in 2022 and since Rutgers' rules limit dues to under \$10, there will be no university issue there. The Haddonfield club again asked to be co-sponsor of

the club but the students in the end will choose any desired sponsor. Pres V said he is OK with Haddonfield subsidizing costs and activities which is now permitted under RI rules. Pres V and the club advisor both hope the club can apply for an International Grant since Rutgers has substantial international study and service opportunities.

Manny provided the Treasurers Report and said that he would have better idea of club finances in January.

On miscellaneous news, Pres V attended an event on campus that featured the Rutgers Chancellor as the keynote speaker. He advised that two Lindenwold council members were sworn in by State Senator Madden, an event both he and his wife attended in recognition of their active support for the foundation.

Pres V said he is watching for an update on RYLA and The Torch Academy. He suggested supporting both programs by sending one student to each program.

Pres V thanked the Runnemedede Club for donating \$250 to the Spectra Care Foundation. He said that e-Club had subsidized an alternate from Runnemedede in the past.

Jimmy advised that someone dropped off three kittens at his front door. One was taken to urgent care, and all have now checked out as healthy. He said the cats were house cats and will be taken to a vet in Pennsylvania to be altered. At a car show next Saturday he hopes to adopt out 8 cats at a cost of 25to 35 dollars. Jimmy also said there is a new vet in Blackwood that is helping to reduce costs for all services.

Pres V said the Spectra Care Foundation is running low on finances and that he is hopeful of having some new fundraising activities. The Foundation is now helping veterans to sign up for healthcare. He said there is a need to help families affected by veteran suicide. He stressed the importance of mental health care through pet therapy.

Dan said he continues to work to help the Foundation and Justin said he is working on-site for the Foundation.

Pres V said RI has substantial resources to assist incoming presidents, that would post links for all club members and that designation of President-Elect is due by our bylaws by the end of December and that DG Chuck was hopeful clubs would have already made this designation by October.

Dave W asked about the status of the Foundation in regard to the IRS. Pres V said that the Foundation had received its Gold Status for compliance and transparency and was still waiting for its operating status approval from the IRS.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 P.M.