

Region 7 Business Meeting Minutes  
4/1/24

The meeting was called to order by President Ginger Slattery at 4PM via Zoom. Roll call of attendees completed by Recording Secretary Kay Olsson as follows:

President Ginger Slattery: present  
1<sup>st</sup> VP Chris Olsson: present  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP Chuck Zellermayer: present  
WiscUP President Jim Guthrie: present  
MN Club President Vernon Petersen: present  
Peace Garden Club President Larry Ruebel: present

A quorum of members was declared.

The business meeting minutes of 9/16/23 as posted on the Region 7 website were approved by unanimous vote following a motion by Chris to approve as written and seconded by Jim.

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Ginger stated the current reports are in the most recent Region 7 newsletter. There were no new reports.

Special Orders

There are no special committee/task force reports at this time.

Unfinished Business:

Ginger reported that the 2024 Rallies Travel Reimbursement Budget for Region 7 is set at \$3058. This budget spans August 1 to July 31 yearly. If not used, the subsequent budgets may be reduced, so it is in the best interests of the Region to use the Travel budget.

In August 2023, Ginger used \$558.75 to attend the Northfield MN Rally, leaving the current balance for the remainder of this fiscal year at \$2499.25. Ginger strongly encouraged the VPs to visit other Clubs within the Region over the summer to use this budget and expand their knowledge of all the Clubs within the Region. Chris stated that he will attend the NDPG Spring Rally in June, and the WiscUP Rally in May.

## New Business:

- A) Constitutional vote by membership: On Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, the IBT proposed a constitutional amendment due to the growth of the Club, assets, and changing needs, to change the title of Treasurer to Financial Director at the International level. This would be an elected position by the IBT. There is currently an Interim Treasurer approved by the IBT under an emergency motion until 2025. On March 21<sup>st</sup>, emails were sent out to the Club Membership for an email vote on this constitutional amendment on or about June 20, 2024. If not online, members can get a ballot by writing to the International Club headquarters to have a ballot sent to them for voting.
- B) Confidentiality Agreement, Conflict of Interest, and NDA: Discussion at the Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> IBT meeting of having IBT members sign a NDA due to recent issues of a member releasing information before finalization of an arrangement with an outside entity. The action has been tabled pending further discussion by the IBT.
- C) Region 7 Incoming Officers:
  - a) Vernon Petersen has volunteered for the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP position when it becomes open in August 2024. Ginger directed the Region Clubs to vote on his acceptance at their respective Spring Business Meetings in May and June. Vernon will present the Clubs with his resume for consideration.
  - b) Cordell Woods, Treasurer of the MN Club, volunteered to be the Region 7 Treasurer, to replace Chuck Zellermyer as he becomes 1<sup>st</sup> VP in August, 2024. As researched by Chris in the MN Club and International Constitutions and bylaws, Cordell is able to do both positions. Following discussion by the R7 Board, Cordell was accepted, and appointed by Ginger. She will contact Cordell to set up transfer of Treasurer functions.
  - c) Membership Chair: currently looking
  - d) Parliamentarian: currently looking
- D) Region Donation to United Way of Logan Co.: Ginger made a motion to donate \$500 of Region 7 monies to the Indian Lake Tornado Fund due to the March tornado at AS Headquarters in order to help AS families affected by the storm. The motion was seconded by Vernon Petersen. After discussion of current R7 finances, the motion was approved by all members.

- E) Local Club Officer Training: Ginger stated that there is a Leadership Portal online on the ACI website for Club officers to access forms that are to be submitted to ACI. She stated that there is a possibility of videos in the works for leadership training. Chris stated he had put together a guide for incoming Leaders on the MN Club website, available for anyone to use.
- F) Harvest Hosts/ACI Courtesy Parking: Courtesy Parking arrangements are being transferred over to the Harvest Host portal. Members with Courtesy Parking have received an email to sign in and answer questions about their Courtesy parking space. Harvest Host membership will not be necessary for ACI members to access and use ACI Courtesy Parking, and other Harvest Host members will not be able to access the ACI Parking information. As many questions have arisen about the change, Kathy Geese has put together 2 Q & As about this.
- Discussion of liability insurance for Courtesy Parking: ACI does not cover Courtesy Parking for members either having it or using it. Members providing and using Courtesy Parking are expected to have liability insurance.

Announcements:

WHOVA messaging app will be used for information dissemination for the International Rally this fall.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kay Olsson, Recording Secretary R7

Approved by electronic vote by the R7 Executive Board on April 11, 2024.

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