

**Rotary Club of Furnitureland  
Board Minutes  
August 2, 2007**

Present: Barbara Frye, Bill Dyson, Carlvena Foster, Ken Fulp, Jack Green, Bill Heard

**FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

President Barbara Fry announced that Joe Carroll is out of the hospital Monday, following heart pain and

Gina and William Laney welcomed Carson Laney in the morning of August 1. Pictures in a bulletin to be published soon will show an ecstatic father (and mother.)

First Friday Area 6 meeting will be attended by Bill Dyson for President Barbara Friday.

Barbara asks that board and officers plan to meet with Assistant Governor Bob Hoskins on Monday, August 6, 2007 in preparation for the District Governor's meeting on August 20. The calendar indicates that District Governor David McCoy will meet with the Board and Officers at 11:00AM before the regular meeting. Governor David will provide the program that day.

Club Assemblies: President Barbara led a discussion of the purpose of Club Assemblies and what the board expects they can contribute to this year's Rotary program. It was suggested that we schedule an assembly for October or November during which committee chairs can briefly outline what they are hoping to accomplish during the year. Later in the year the club might have another meeting at which committee chairs can evaluate what they were able to accomplish this year.

PDG Jack Green volunteered PDG Phil Morris and himself to provide a "Rotary Minute" each week during which a different facet of the Rotary experience will be highlighted.

PDG Phil Morris will send to International Services Chairman Ken Fulp information about this year's Group Study Exchange with District 3500. District 3500 is situated on the west coast of Taiwan and is adjacent to District 3460 with which we had a GSE partnership in 2005-2006. Although the instructions in The Rotary Foundation District 7690 Handbook suggests that applications for team leader and team members are due in July, a recent email from Chairman Tim Albertson suggests that applications will be accepted until the end of August. Basic information about this year's GSE program can be found at:

<http://www.rotary7690.org/TRF/7690TRFBook/GroupStudyExchange-070509.pdf>

Our club can get "Governor's Gold Club Points" if we can find candidates for either team leader or team member.

Jack Green, Chair, Furnitureland Rotary Club Strategic Planning Committee, will hold a meeting at noon on August 23, 2007 at the String & Splinter Club.

David Pruette, our club's Gold Club auditor will review the requirements of the Gold Club program at the September board meeting.

Tom Fatyol has asked for the club to be sponsor of the Piedmont Soccer Alliance during the 2007-2008 year. The board agreed to purchase a half page ad in the group's directory. The board also recognized that other similar organizations might see this contribution as setting a precedent. It is the intention of the board that this be a one-time contribution and that request for funds for subsequent years be submitted directly to the immediate past president for consideration in the spring when the board is considering to which organizations to distribute its gifts.

District Youth Services, PDG Robert Newton is looking for hosts for one student this year. The district is a member of ESSEX (Eastern States Student Exchange, <http://www.exchangestudent.org/>). Bill Dyson will be hearing more about this at the "First Friday" meeting tomorrow.

President Barbara received a request for partnership from President Marvette Artis, East Greensboro Rotary Club: *"The East Greensboro Rotary Club is seeking a collaborative partnership with District 7690 Rotary Clubs to convert a free standing building into a Drop-in Resource Center for Joseph's House, Inc., located 908 East Bessemer Avenue in Greensboro, NC...."* Vice President Bill Dyson will be listening for further details at the 1st Friday meeting.

Gary Sturgill wondered what happened to his request for club contribution to the Piedmont School. As it never reached PP Randy Carda the club did not provide assistance to that organization last year. IPP

Bill Heard suggested that the club contribute an amount equal to last year's contribution and he would include it in his June 2008 recommendations of gifts.

**SECRETARY:**

Notes from the July board meeting were distributed electronically by President Barbara in the absence of club secretary.

**TREASURER:**

No report, but Treasurer Bill Laney just became a father yesterday.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT:**

No report.

**VICE PRESIDENT/PROGRAM CHAIRMAN:**

Bill Dyson will see if we can get a program on The Rotary Foundation in August.

**CLUB SERVICE I:**

No report.

**CLUB SERVICE II:**

Alan Oliver asked about a policy for who pays for prospective members when they are being introduced to the club. He moved (seconded and passed) that the club reimburse credit the proposing member's account for up to 5 meetings when the prospective member joins the club.

Alan Oliver asked about incentives for members who bring in new members. It was moved (seconded and passed) that each member who sponsors a new member be given 100 points towards their next Paul Harris Fellow level.

Alan Oliver asked the board to keep in mind the city's Miracle League Field. A joint partnership is being initiated between the city and service groups to provide a facility for handicapped little league baseball. Alan indicates that later on this year all Rotary clubs will be asked to join in supporting this program.

**PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP** - The following names submitted to the Bulletin Editor to be published for two weeks. Assuming that the membership approve, these candidates will be approved for membership:

**Bill Klietsch**, North State Communications, proposed by Jef Morgan

**Janette McNeill**, Guilford Technical Community College, proposed by Barbara Frye

**Charlene Green**, President of Incentives, Inc., proposed by Jack Green

**COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

At the next meeting of the club, Carlvena Foster will be promoting the Housing Authority's 'Back to School' Jam . . . as we did last year, the club will be asked to provide help in distributing school supplies.

Carlvena announced the dates of the 2007-2008 Rotary Against Drugs contest:

1. Information to be presented to schools – week of Jan. 14, 2008
2. Initial screening by committee – week of Feb. 4, 2008
3. Top 3 candidates present to club – Feb. 11, 2008

**PAST PRESIDENT BILL HEARD** suggests that this year we explore another spring fund raiser venue other than golf. He feels that too many organizations try to raise fund by having a golf tournament, and unless we can put on a first class event we should find an event that others have not tried.

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:**

Ken Fulp will be researching options for an International Services Project. It was suggested that he contact District Grants guru Larry Aiken in Sanford (Jonesboro Rotary Club).

