

Minutes – September 26, 2023

Board Members: Tony Cavaliere, President; Peter A. Mardinly, Vice, Gary Zebrowski, Treasurer (non-voting); Larry Smoose, Secretary; Perry Kotsiopoulos, James Meinel, Past President
Members present: Tony Cavaliere, Larry Smoose, Perry Kotsiopoulos.

Others present: Christine Crosby, Susan Garrison

Minutes: The minutes of the August meeting were approved.

Financial Report: Since Gary was traveling, the financial reports were not presented.

New Business: Grants

Oxford, PA Fire Victims Assistance. District Governor Renee in her newsletter reported that a fire in Oxford destroyed four buildings that housed low income residents. The Rotary Club of Oxford was working to help these victims, who lost everything, through their partner Oxford Neighborhood Services Center. About 25 families were effected. A motion was approved to send \$500 to the Oxford Neighborhood Services Center to support the Oxford Rotary's effort. (Larry/Perry)

Gundaker "dues". Perry asked about the background for the new Gundaker policy, which is being contested. Larry said that Gundaker has always requested that clubs send in \$10/member to help with administrative costs and to support funding the grants. It was voluntary, but the Media club generally supported this as part of our dues. Susan added that during Dan Levens presidency the club members were encouraged to pay an optional amount on the dues statement for The Rotary Foundation (national) and Gundaker (district). It created a lot more work for the Treasurer and was discontinued. Whatever the outcome, it will be a decision for the Club Board, not our Foundation Board.

We also discussed reporting at an upcoming meeting on what our foundation has supported and encouraging members to submit worthy requests for possible grants.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Larry V. Smoose, Secretary

NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 24, 2023 at 4 p.m.