

Minutes – August 29, 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, Gary Zebrowski, Perry Kotsiopoulos, Peter A. Mardinly, James Meinel

Others present: Christine Crosby, Susan Garrison

Minutes: The minutes of the June meeting were approved. (Peter abstaining)

Financial Report: Gary reviewed the Balance Sheet and pointed out that the Multicultural Music Festival (MMF) has a balance of \$3,500 with \$25,000 in available funds. The P & L shows that the MMF has received \$5000 in income, but with checks he has but not yet deposited it is just under \$9,000. A motion was adopted to authorize Gary to pay any expenses submitted for the Multicultural Music Festival not to exceed the income received. (? ?)

Gary also reported that he had received the check from District 7450 for \$1200, matching our grant of \$1,215.00 for the Echocardiogram machine for the Pennsylvania Institute of Technology and will issue the check. Larry noted that he had talked to Jeannette Barr of PIT and she will notify us when the machine is purchased so that we can arrange for a photo op and for the information needed to complete the District Grant. The financial report was received. (Perry/Peter)

New Business: Grants

Gundaker Foundation Assessment. The club received a notice of an assessment from the Gundaker Foundation for \$1,000 in order to be eligible for a second round of grants. Peter expressed concerns over the appropriateness of the request and also noted that the RFM would not be able to pay what amounts to membership dues since it is not a charitable grant. A motion was made to table this until our September 26, 2023 meeting so that more information can be obtained. (Larry/Peter)

Rotary District 5000 Aid for Maui. The foundation received a request to make a club challenge grant of \$1,000 in support of District 7450 challenge to provide \$20,000 in aid for Maui through Rotary District 5000 in Hawaii. We would encourage members to contribute to match our \$1,000 and send a check directly to Rotary District 5000 for whatever we receive by September 14. A motion was made to provide a grant of \$1,000 for Maui Relief through Rotary District 5000 and to solicit contributions from members to match that amount. (??)

Other Business:

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 4:26 pm

The NEXT MEETING will be on September 26, 2023 at 4 p.m.!

Larry Smoose, Secretary