

2/28/2025 Vinings Cumberland Rotary Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 28, 2025
12 P.M. – 1 P.M.

In Attendance: Shawn Bendig, Brant Campbell, Jolene Northrop, Todd Ash, Betty Smith, Fiona Grandowski, Matt Jarrard, Joe Bartenfeld, Casey Patrick

Meeting called to order by President Shawn Bendig.

Quorum confirmed by Brant, 8 in attendance at the time.

Brant requested approval of the minutes from December and January Board Meetings - Unanimous approval.

Budget (Todd)

- Club operating, dues, lunch: just over 35k
- Charity account: just over 22k
 - 5k local
 - 11k international projects - need to use or maybe use for local
 - 5k run for the kids race – 13k
 - \$70k is the estimated amount available for distribution to charities
- Dues number will go up next year to \$325 from \$250. This is due to providing three free meals to date as we were post-COVID, working to keep membership stable. Now that we are more stable, we feel that we can start charging for all meals. \$300 for next quarter with Memorial Day would be an option. There is always a variation in the actual invoice total depending on the number of Wednesdays in a quarter.
 - Shawn moved to approve going back to paying for each meal (\$25 per meal per quarter), seconded and unanimous approval.

Race Update (Jolene)


- Contract sent by Nicole and shared with the Board by Jolene.
 - Jolene moved to approve, Shawn seconded, and unanimous approval.
- Shawn will work with Jamie to finalize race details.
- Paul Harris is also engaged with the race.
- August 9th, 2025, is the date of the race, and we will update our race website with the new date.

Membership (Joe Bartenfeld)

- Great pipeline of prospective members.
 - William Nadal and Joe Stockman are new members that have been inducted.
 - Keep up the good work as we work toward the 60-member net goal.
 - Joe is following up on the Appleseed group for prospective members from the organization.
 - Brooke Brambley, Terra, and Kent are two other prospective members who are currently joining our meetings as we work to convert them into full members.
 - We will decrease by one member.
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Foundation (Fiona)

- She is sending Brant a chart with number details.
- Goal attained for giving, see chart below.
- The donation for Neill has not shown in the account yet.

Rotary  **MON** **FOUNDATION REPORT**
Interim February (2024-25) (In US Dollars)

Club No	Name	Rotarians	Annual Fund Goal Amount	Goal % Achieved	AF Per Capita	Annual Fund YTD	PolioPlus Fund YTD	Other Funds YTD	Endowment Fund YTD	-- Total --
District: 6900										
29928	Tyrone, GA, United States	10	\$100.00	825%	\$82.50	\$825.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$925.00
26819	Vinings Cumberland, GA, United States	53	\$12,000.00	141%	\$320.30	\$16,975.75	\$50,250.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$67,325.75

Local Projects (Betty)

- **GA Laws of Life:** This February, Annie has been leading this and setting up meetings.
- **Senior Memory Care:** Targeting a March event after our Wednesday meeting to play bingo and games at 2 p.m. It is across from the Home Depot headquarters. Anytime on any Wednesday. We could have this as an ongoing project.
- **Table on Delk (April 13th):** Sunday afternoon to pack lunches from 2-5 p.m. Assembly line style to stuff bags. We signed up for 120 to be delivered to the Table on Delk on Monday, April 13th, at 1 p.m., so that they can be delivered to the bus stops by 1:45 p.m.
- **Garden Cleanup:** Betty reached out to Robin, who will manage the garden cleanup in the May to June timeframe.
- **Bikes for Kids:** Casey and others are working to help clean bikes in May when bikes will be received, getting ready for summer.
 - Casey notes they are working to establish a date for a bike drive at Campbell High School.

- **Good Samaritan Garden:** Planting and weeding for spring, which has been an ongoing project. We haven't been able to do it in the last few years because of COVID and because Neill, who coordinated it, was sick. Robin and Good Sam are planning the next outing. It's called "The Farm."
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International Projects (Brant)

- **Paraguay Agua Fresca:** Working to finalize the funding from RI.
 - **Bolivia:** \$5k taken to Dr. Roser.
 - Santa Cruz Club working on a Global Grant. Brant will work with the club to see how we can collaborate for approval.
 - Shawn following up with Blye regarding grant writer pro-bono
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Ongoing Projects (Shawn)

- Meeting on Monday, 3/3, with the website admin to ensure it is updated and to look at any new functions that may be available. Shawn will also contact District Media Chair Alec Smythe to determine if there are any limitations to the updates we can make to our website.
 - Todd will be ordering pins and badge updates.
 - Betty noted that we need to recognize our sponsors from last year's race.
 - **President's Succession Training:** Vince Clanton will start back with the meetings, targeting Fridays at noon.
 - **District Conference (4/24-4/27):** Encourage other members to attend. Registration cost increases on March 1st. The House of Friendship may not be included this year since there are three districts together.
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Meeting adjourned promptly at 1:00 P.M. by President Shawn Bendig.