

Land of Lincoln PETS

Minutes

August 14, 2016

Thelma Keller Convention Center, Effingham, IL

Attendance: Larry Pennie, Laura Carie, Wayne Gerlock, Larry Howell, Jill Pietrusinski, Bryce Adam, Judith Bush, Arlene Pennie, Chris Lashley, Dale Basham, Sue Wright, Kevin Yonce, Dave Matthews, Jeff Thornton, & Shari Sherman.

Call to Order: Chair Larry Pennie called the meeting to order at 1:05. He welcomed everyone there and thanked them for attending.

Introductions: Each attendee introduced themselves.

Programs:

AG Training will be on Friday, March 17 from 10:00 – 5:00 (lunch included). Dave and Kevin will do the AG Training focusing on My Rotary, Evaluating Clubs, and DaCdb.

PEN Training will be on Saturday from 9:30 – 12:00, 1:30 – 5:30 and Sunday from 10:15 – 12:15. Jeff will work on the program with the DGN's. Included will be DaCdb and My Rotary. Jeff will send the agenda when it is completed to Jill to be included on the Event App.

Train the Trainer will be done by Wayne and Shari in the Jefferson Room on Saturday. Districts can bring a maximum of 6 people for this session. Invite Secretaries or AG's or people that are willing to train Secretaries in their district. Registration fee will be \$50. They will do an additional session on Sunday for AG's.

PETS Training:

Suggested Speakers for General Sessions:

Greg Franks – My Rotary
Ed Hardesty –
Thaddeus Rex – Membership (1st General Session)
CA guy – Foundation

Suggested Speakers for Breakout Sessions:

Running Meetings & Running an Effective Club - Shannon O'Toole &
Gary Hamm (Laura will contact)
Leadership – Tom Ripperda or Mike Nowobilski
Engaging Your Members – Joe Hagedorn
Youth – Lukie Ulery (Judy will contact)
DaCdb – Wayne Gerlock

Planning Your Year – will be done in the District breakouts at 9:30 on Sunday. The 4 DG's will do this – switching districts.

Schedule:

Larry attended multiple sessions on the same topic last year and found that they did not vary by size of clubs. Jill suggested that the reason for the size differences was the interactions of the attendees. More time is needed between sessions so that attendees will visit the vendors. We can move the speakers from one group to another taking less time. Last year's schedule worked well.

It was suggested to have a lead facilitator and an assistant for each breakout session.

Registration:

Registration will begin on October 1. We have a 6-month contract for credit Card use. (Oct – March)

The Domain Website has been renewed for another 5 years. (through 2020) Registration fee is \$100. (\$78 per person is for the meals.)

Budget:

Any Event App cost is \$199 per event. Jill will set it up when she receives the agenda.

The current bank balance is \$11, 003.92.

Wayne will send out Invoices to the districts. (6490-51; 6590-44; 6580-36)

DaCdb:

DaCdb will be coming to PETS as a vendor. It was suggested that we have an area in the House of Friendship with computers/Ipads for attendees to receive personal assistance with DaCdb. AG's could help with this.

DaCdb instruction should be divided into Beginners & Advanced based on their knowledge of My Rotary. A handout is also needed for them to take home.

Sargent-at-Arms:

Attendees need to be able to also attend sessions. Different people should be assigned sargent-at-arms duties each hour. We need to decide how many total people are needed for sargent-at-arms by the next meeting.

Food:

Wayne takes care of the food. Buffets work best for most meals as he can give an up-to-date number 1 hour before the meal and doesn't have to deal with special diets. Sunday lunch will be a served lunch.

Hotels:

Holiday Inn - \$109, County Inn & Suites - \$90, Baymont - \$90.

Rooms can be booked directly by using code LLP for Rotary rate.

For every 40 rooms booked, we receive 1 suite to be used for the Featured Speakers.

Next Meeting: Sunday, November 13 at 1:00.

Arlene Pennie, Secretary