**UW-Whitewater/Community Optimist Club**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**12:00 PM, October 6, 2015**

**UC 260**

Present: Dave Halbach, Ken Ksobiech, Lanora Heim, Linda Kinson, Jan Olson, Kim Adams

Absent: Jeanine Fassl, Sue Hiscox

Guests: Interns, Callie Watry and Allison Langenkamp

1. Call to Order: 12:08
2. Approval of September 2015 Board Meeting Minutes: Kim/Ken motion. Passed unanimously.
3. Treasurer’s Report—Kate/Ken
   1. Budget updates from 2014-15.
      1. For 2014-15, income total was $12872; expense total was $14400. The $5000 Optimist Park donation is not included in the expense total, and the Club has fulfilled its commitment to the Park project.
      2. Discussion ensued regarding the need to consolidate funds, the spring cash flow problem (expenditures outpace income until after the gyro stand and Football Crazr income), the need to pare back expenses and possibly decrease monetary donation to the Food Pantry which is offset by donations in the form of goods donated at the Trivia Night event, tickets for Breakfast with Santa, etc.
      3. Ken/Kim motioned to consolidate Commercial Savings Bank account with Credit Union Account to one Credit Union account. Passed unanimously.
   2. Budget proposal for 2015-16.
   3. 2015-16 dues.
      1. Currently $75.00 for membership or $20 per quarter; $50 for lifetime. Dave found a statement on the OI website stating that the lifetime membership required a one-time fee of $467.50 to OI, but we do not believe this has ever been done or enforced.
      2. Discussion about increasing dues vis-à-vis an option to pay increased dues or sell more Football Crazr tickets. This would require commitment from members due to the income coming late in the Optimist year. This will be discussed with the membership at an upcoming meeting and via e-mail ballot.
4. Trailer related donations. Kim/Linda motioned to approve a one-time waiver of dues to offset expenses for gyro trailer storage for Jim McLernon and for Duane and Barb Dickens for the gyro trailer awning. Passed unanimously.
5. Trivia Night 2016 updates: the flyer is nearly ready, letter to businesses is nearly ready, established new sponsorship levels, considering a save-the-date postcard, goal of $10,000, Jeff Angeleri will MC the event
6. Intern updates: blog updated; flyer and registration form for Trivia Night; Halloween flyer; working on welcome for new members and potential members
7. New business.
   1. Dave presented information from the OI website on presidential incentives and recruitment brochure
   2. Dave expressed appreciation for gifts and recognition at the Installation Banquet
8. Upcoming Board Meetings
   1. November 10, 2015.
   2. December 8, 2015.
   3. Calendar of Events update will be discussed soon. Dates in question are: evening meetings for November 25 and December 23
9. Speakers for upcoming club meetings.
   1. October 13, Tonia Harvel re: YOUTH Leadership Development program for Walworth County high school students
   2. October 20, Tom G. and Mareta H. from Washington Elementary.
10. Adjournment: 1:06 p.m.