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Today's Programme

- Election of Club Officers for RY 2019-2020
- Talk programme on 'Precious Stones' by Rtn. Bijaya Bajracharya

Forthcoming Programme:

31 Dec. - 5th Monday Entertainment (Focus: Cooking Talents)

07 Jan. - Business Meeting

Congratulatory Events

Date: 9 Poush 2075 / 24 December 2018

Birthdays:

Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – 14 Dec. Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – 17 Dec.

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Minutes of Meeting No.1639

Date: 24 Mangshir 2075 / 10 December 2018

- 1. President Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty called the Meeting No. 1639 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
- 2. Guests welcomed by the President: spouse Ms. Ramita Bajracharya, Rotaract Club of Patan President Rtr. Peshal Bhattarai & Rtr. Kritika Sharma.
- The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 'Happy News' Contribution:
 - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya for 'Happy Birthday' and for his son's opening of a restaurant 'Café Pluto' at his own residence in Jwagal (NRs. 700).
 - Rtns. Shiv P. and Preeti Khemka for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey for the breakfast meeting at the Mallapatys on KPAD (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Nirmal K. Pradhanang, Bijaya Mallapaty and Lalita Thapa (NRs. 500) for the first KPAD committee meeting at the Mallapatys' residence.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty for having to postpone bringing the X-mas cookies till 24 December.
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha for completion of PEEF scholarship distribution of this year, hiking with nature lovers' group and special mention on the success of weight reduction in Nagrik newspaper (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal for the successful sanitation conference in Bisankhu Narayan School, Godam Chaur participated by Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa and himself.

5. Other Contributions:

(i) Contributions were handed over by the following for the RCP's 'Khagendra Raj and Piyush Priya Ability Development Fund' (KPAD Fund):

NRs. 100,000 Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang's daughter Anusha NRs. 50,000

(ii) New Pledges to KPAD Fund:

PDG Rtn. Tirtha M. Sakya NRs. 50,000 Rtns. Matsyendra & Chandralekha Kayastha NRs. 15,000

Rotaract Club of Patan NRs. 10,000 (From the RCP's annual support to the

Rotaract Club of Patan)

Matching of the above by Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey NRs. 75,000

(iii) The above contributions/pledges bring the total KPAD Fund to NRs. 25 Lakh well ahead of the target date of end December 2018. Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey pledged additional matching of NRs. 75,000 for new contributions pledged till 31 January 2019.

(iv) Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya NRs. 10.000 (v) Matching the above by Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey NRs. 10,000

- 6. Rotary News/Information:
 - i. Rtn. Lalita Thapa, KPAD Coordinator as President Elect, informed members on the first KPAD Committee meeting held on 9 December 2018, minutes of which will be shared with all members soon. She highlighted the need to have full RCP family participation and ownership of this new flagship programme of the RCP. With the expected support of the entire RCP family, the target to raise 1 Crore Rupees in five years have been advanced to three years.
 - ii. Butwal District Conference As the hotel at the conference venue is fully booked by the District, it was suggested that RCP participants stay at a hotel in Lumbini. Secretary Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan was requested to explore this together with the logistics/transport for the RCP group.
 - iii. Reminder on TRF seminar & recognition programme being held on 22 December 2018.
 - iv. Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal briefed on the excellent sanitation conference held at Bisankhu Narayan School, Godam Chaur, participated by Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa and himself together with others including WHO. Next conference is being held at Shree Path Pradharshak School in Badikhel on Friday, 14 December 2018. RCP members are encouraged to join.
 - v. Due to the travel of many RCP members and a lack of quorum for next meeting, it was agreed to cancel the regular weekly meeting of Monday, 17 December 2018.
 - vi. Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan briefed on the NRCL's 8th Board Meeting held on 4 December 2018 that he attended on behalf of the RCP.
 - vii. Rotaract President Peshal Bhattarai briefed on the very successful Dental Camp held at Bisankhu Narayan School on 5 December 2018 in collaboration with Nidan Hospital. A total of 112 students from pre-school to tenth grade got their check-ups.
 - viii. Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha briefed on the completion of PEEF scholarship distribution of this year.
- 7. Briefing on Mirge Global Grant Project: Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang gave a comprehensive briefing on the Global Grant Project of the RCP 'Quality Education and Improved Water Supply in Mirge Village, Dolakha'. Total budget US \$58,500. International Partner RC Wollaton Park, U.K. (Prof. Chris O'Brien) and Local Partner Mr. Mahesh Pakhrin. He shared this excellent success story with plans to complete the project by February 2019. The project has two major components funded by Rotary refurbishing of the school totally damaged by the 2015 earthquake and providing drinking water to villagers. The refurbishing part has been fully accomplished. On the water supply planned for ward number 3 of the village, another NGO did this work. Therefore, the RCP is now covering all the households of ward number 2. A revised proposal on this change has been submitted to the RI, and once approved implementation is expected to complete by February 2019. A final visit by the RCP is planned for some time in February. Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang encouraged as many members from the RCP as possible to participate in this trip.

On behalf of all from the RCP, President Gabriele Mallapaty thanked the Primary Contact of the Project Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang and his team for a truly outstanding work that required four field visits already.

- 8. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty RC Pabna, Bangladesh; Chartered: 1983; & Members 40. District: 3280, Clubs: 158, & Members 4415.
- 9. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: total contribution of NRs. 5,450 (NRs. 2,400 for attendance and NRs. 3,050 for sunshine funds including one for mobile ring), attendance: 2 Rotaracts, 21 members, 1 spouse and 7 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Kiran Thapa

- Q. Rotary Year during which the 1st National Immunization Day was introduced A. 1995-96
- Q. First Rotary lady Rotarian President in Nepal A. Rtn. Ambica Shrestha, RC Kathmandu Midtown, 1991-92
- Q. Number of languages singer Udit Narayan Jha sang the songs