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<p><u>Today's Programme:</u> Business Meeting</p> <p><u>Forthcoming Programme:</u> 8 June: Talk programme by Prof. Megh R. Dhital, Ph.D., Geologist on recent Earthquakes in Nepal</p>	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u> Rtn. Dr. Bishwa B. Sharma – 2 June</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> NIL</p>
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1461

Date: 11 Jestha 2072 / 25 May 2015

1. President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1461 to order with 15 seconds of 'silent invocation' for peace.
2. Guests welcomed by the President a.i.: From Nepal Youth Foundation (NYF) – Executive Director Mr. Raju Dhamala, Programme Manager Ms. Rashmi Kafle, and Career Counsellor Ms. Laxmi Ghimire.
3. The last meeting's minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for 71st 'Happy Birthday' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Kamala Maharjan – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha – for spouse's 'Happy Birthday' and safety during the recent earthquakes of SLC Controller's office, designed by them, (NRs. 400).
 - Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay – for recovery from sickness.
 - Rtn. Sharada Prasai – for the safety of her house designed by Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Kayastha & Associates during the recent earthquakes (NRs. 2,000).
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa – for the safety of Rtn. Sharada Prasai during the recent earthquakes.
 - Rtn. Krishna B. Basnyat – for joining in the meeting with the Prime Minister on earthquake contributions.
 - Rtn. Nirmal Pradhanang – for the extension of his consultancy due to the recent earthquakes (NRs.500).
 - Rtn. Som Paneru – for being safe during the recent earthquakes, for today's occasion of NYF receiving NRs. 1 Million being the first tranche of the RCP's Project on Vocational Training of Kamlaris, and for the 165 staff of Ullens School being safe in Godawari Resort a day before the last earthquake (NRs. 700).
 - Rtn. Piyush B. Bajracharya – for being safe during the recent earthquakes.
 - Rtn. Mahendra Thapa – for the official start of RCP's Global Grant Project for the vocational training of Kamlaris with the NYF, for which he is the Primary Contact of the RCP.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for successful start of the Global Grant that was initiated following her trip to Nepalgunj a year ago and request made through 'Rotary Ideas Website'.
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary – for being safe during the recent earthquakes.
 - Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi – for media coverage in Nepal TV channel.
 - Rtn. Dr. Aruna Uprety – for joining Oxfam, U.K. office in Nepal.
5. Other Contributions:
 - Several RCP Members handed over or announced contributions from themselves, their family, relatives and friends to the RCP Earthquake Relief Fund. As a separate statement, with individual details, is being updated and shared separately, these contributions are not repeated here.
 - Rtn. Krishna B. Basnyat contributed NRs. 1,000 to the PEEF OF from his attendance to the NOH Board.

6. Rotary News/Information:

- President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha informed that Rtn. Pushkar M. Shakya and spouse were injured while on a trip to distribute relief supplies to the recent earthquake victims.
- Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary informed that all the three postponed district events (District Training Assembly, District Membership Seminar and District Grant Management Seminar) are planned to be held during 13 to 14 June 2015.
- **The four monthly 'Birthday Fellowship' of the Rotary Club of Patan:** Following consultations, the Fellowship Coordinator, Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha's suggested to have it on **Saturday, 30 May 2015 as afternoon tea/snacks at 5:00 p.m. at the Shaligram Hotel.** It was also suggested that full amount of NRs. 4,000 each be collected from the members of this group, and after subtracting the tea/snacks cost, the difference be donated to the RCP's earthquake relief fund. This was agreed.
- A cheque of NRs. 900,000 being advance for this year's PEEF scholarships was handed over by the President a.i. to Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha, Distribution Manager of the PEEF.
- Rtn. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi informed about a Health Camp by a Team of 5, being held in Lalitpur District on this Thursday and Friday, 28-29 May - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., as part of the RCP funded project 'Primary Prevention of Rheumatic Fever and Rheumatic Heart Disease in children'. Interested members could request him to join.

7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Krishna B. Basnyat - Rotary Club of Bhuvanagiri, Andhra Pradesh, India; Club ID 57409; Chartered: 2002; & Members: 54. District: 3150, Clubs: 93, and Members: 3451.

Rotary Q/A by Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary in preparation for District 'Rota Quiz'

Questions

Term 'RIBI'
4 Elements of Successful Clubs

Answers

Rotary International Great Britain and Ireland
Membership Growth & Retention, Good Service Projects, Leadership Development and Contribution to the Rotary Foundation.

8. A 30 seconds 'Silence' was observed in memory of former RCP Rotarian Shreedhar Acharya who passed away on Friday, 22 May 2015.
9. Before the closure of the meeting by the President a.i. the Secretary announced: contributions to the 'Sunshine' Fund - NRs. 7,250, attendance – 3 guests, 27 members & 5 make-ups.

RCP's Global Grant GG1527136 (Int'l Partner: Group of Mississauga Rotary Clubs, Canada): Vocational Training of 'Kamlaris' through the Nepal Youth Foundation - Presentations and Handing-over of 1st instalment of funding of NRs. 1,000,000

Before the formal handover of a cheque of NRs. 1,000,000 by the President a.i. Matsyendra L. Kayastha to the Nepal Youth Foundation, two presentations were made. First, by the project's 'Primary Contract' from the RCP Rtn. Mahendra Thapa and second by Mr. Raju Dhamala, Executive Director of the Nepal Youth Foundation (NYF).

Rtn. Mahendra Thapa briefed on the project to provide vocational training of 110 Kamlaris through the NYF. The training is geared towards making the participants self-sufficient by empowering them with income generating skills in areas such as tailoring, vegetable farming, pig and goat farming, community livestock, house wiring, and mobile repair. It is expected to reduce poverty by increasing their average annual income. Rtn. Thapa also shared a proposed hoarding board with a summary of the project, which should inform the public and raise Rotary's image. (Rtn. Dr. Aruna Uprety and Rtn. Kamala Maharjan are the two secondary contacts from the RCP for this Project).

Mr. Raju Dhamala presented the details of the project in summary and also briefed on the Nepal Youth Foundation's management structure and programme coverage with activities in the areas of Shelter/Children's Homes, Freedom/Empowerment, Education and Health/Nutrition. The NYF has been working in Nepal since 1992 and has been collaborating with the RCP with several projects. While NYF's programmes are spread throughout the country, the Kamlaris, former indentured girls of Tharu tribe, come from 5 districts of Nepal, i.e. Kanchanpur, Kailali, Bardia, Banke and Dang. Mr. Dhamala elaborated on the activities of the project with a detailed work-plan.