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RI District 3292

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<p><u>Today's Main Programme:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Signing of MOU with Sarswati Govinda Foundation and honouring Mr. Govinda Das Shrestha as a 'Paul Harris Fellow' with Certificate and Pin- Updates on Rotaract, Interact and RCCs	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthdays:</u> Nil</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Nil</p>
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Minutes of Meetings No.1600

Date: 21 Fagun 2074 / 5 March 2018

1. President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha called the Meeting No. 1600 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha celebrated the **RCP's 1600th Meeting** with various sweets and Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty complemented it with green salads from her garden.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Spouse Shova Maskay and three Rotaracts from Rotaract Club of Patan.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.).
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Ramesh and Mrs. Shova Maskay – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.ba.),
 - Rtns. Piyush B. Bajracharya, & Nirmal K. Pradhanang - for the 1600th meeting of today.
 - Rtns. Shiv P. Khemka and Mahendra S. Rawal – for the post-Board fellowship entertainment.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty – for getting a new mobile phone and the 1600th meeting (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for the 1600th meeting (NRs. 200), and matching post-board fellowship entertainment contributions of Rtns. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi and Lalita Thapa (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty – for the 1600th meeting and post-Board fellowship entertainment (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa – for the 1600th meeting and for being a resource at the pre-PETS/SETS.
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – for the RCP's Bylaws update done by Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty.
 - Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar – for 'Happy Landing' from New Zealand & Australia, and earlier ha.ba. (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa – for post-Board entertainment joined by Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha (NRs. 500).
 - Rtns. Lalita and Kiran Thapa – for hosting the Board meeting and for the 1600th meeting of today (NRs. 500).
5. Other Contributions:
 - Noting the 1600th meeting of today, President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha recognized and thanked all who had contributed to raise the target contribution of NRs. 300,000 to the Club Service Fund well before the end of the Rotary Year. She made an additional contribution of NRs. 10,000 to the Club Service Fund and encouraged others to contribute beyond the target already met.
 - Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha handed over a contribution of NRs. 3,000 from Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema on travel.
 - Rtn. Lalita Thapa pledged a contribution of NRs. 5,000 to the Club Service Fund.
6. Rotary News/Information:
 - President Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha briefed on information points: i. PETS in Bhutan seminar, ii. Luncheon meeting with Presidents by IPDG, iii. RI convention in Toronto, and iv. Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi's 'Janko' wherein RCP family will present a souvenir from the RCP members' fellowship fund.
 - Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty briefed on the recently held Pre-PETS/SETS with 3 participants from the RCP.
 - Rtn. Mahendra Thapa presented an analysis of the RCP's February attendance, which will be sent to the District. On average, the RCP's weekly meeting had 69.72% participation against the target of 70%.

- Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha announced that he would contribute NRs. 200 and NRs. 500 to the Sunshine Fund whenever attendance reaches 22 and 25 members. He also pledged to contribute NRs. 50,000 when the RCP membership reaches 50, and Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty pledged to match it.
 - In the remaining time of the meeting, an interesting session was held with all the members present informing on which member introduced them to the RCP and/or how they joined the RCP.
7. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar – RC Mombasa, Kenya; Chartered: 1944, & Members: 51. District: 9200, Clubs: 153, & Members: 3981.
8. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, the Secretary announced: contribution of NRs. 8,500 (NRs. 2,100 for attendance and NRs. 6,400 for Sunshine Funds); attendance: 1 spouse, 3 Rotaracts, 20 members, and 6 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang

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| Q. Amount of current District dues of RI District 3292 | A. NRs. 1,650.00 |
| Q. Centennial Year of Rotary | A. 2005 |
| Q. Height of Kailashnath statue at the temple in Sanga | A. 44 metres (144 ft.) |

8th Board Meeting of the RCP held on 3 March 2018

Rtn. Mahendra Thapa presented the following minutes/decisions of the 8th Board Meeting hosted by Rtns. Lalita and Kiran Thapa, which were endorsed/approved by the 'House' with the proviso that the revised RCP Bylaws will be considered approved if no objection is received from any member by 15 March 2018:

1. Decisions of the 7th Board Meeting of RY 2017-2018 were reviewed.
2. Board did not approve reimbursement of expenses for the Inter-Club meeting organized by RC Lalitpur on 12 February 2018, as the RCP had not agreed to cost share the expenses.
3. Board approved to sponsor the Rotaract Youth Leadership Camp "Being Your Own Hero" to be held during 24-25 March 2018 with a contribution of NRs. 15,000.
4. Board noted the need for better advance planning within annual budget to sponsor Rotaract Club of Patan activities instead of entertaining ad hoc requests. Director of Youth Services of the RCP was requested to coordinate this in the future.
5. Tax status and club registration renewal for future years: Rtns. Jeevan K. Shrestha and Bijaya Mallapaty met the Director of the Tax Office on this subject. It was learnt that the government has recently decided to stop tax exemption to all NGOs/INGOs unless three conditions are met namely - not for profit, social, and public institution. The RCP does not meet the third requirement i.e. public institution. Therefore, tax of 25% on net income (15% tax on interest already deducted by the banks) will be charged. This will have a major impact on the RCP's finances including on incomes from Trust and other Club Funds. It was noted that the mechanism needed to be reviewed with the Treasurer and the Auditor as a matter of priority to mitigate the risks before the next financial reporting for Rotary Year 2017-2018.
6. Board agreed with the proposed revisions to the Bylaws of the RCP for the approval of the House, with necessary changes in the order of Board Members as per Rotary protocol.
7. Board noted the proposed editorial team of Lalitdhara Souvenir for 2018-2019 with Rtn. Jeevan K. Shrestha as its Coordinator, and Rtns. Bharat N. Joshi, Kiran Shrestha, Shiva K. Pradhan and Preeti Khemka as its members.
8. Board was pleased to note that the weekly meeting of 5 March 2018 would be the RCP's 1600th meeting.
9. Primary Contact of GG1641893 project Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang briefed the Board on the status of the project with RI's recent approval to the RCP's reprogramming request. Anticipated further balances will be spent on water supply improvements of the villagers in Mirge, once their houses that were destroyed by the earthquake are rebuilt.
10. Board noted the plans to have the MOU with Sarswati Govinda Foundation signed during the 12 March 2018 meeting, and to honour Mr. Govinda Das Shrestha as a 'Paul Harris Fellow'.
11. On behalf of the Treasurer, Rtn. Mahendra B. Thapa updated on the financial status of the RCP as of 28 February 2018.
12. On behalf of all present, Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtns. Lalita & Kiran Thapa for hosting the Board Meeting, followed by an excellent fellowship dinner. Rtns. Dr. Prakash R. Regmi and Preeti Khemka also complemented.