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Date: 27 Chaitra 2079 / 10 April 2023

<p><u>Today's Programme:</u></p> <p>Regular Weekly Meeting with Classification Talk Programme of Rtn. Sunil Gupta</p>	<p><u>Congratulatory Events</u></p> <p><u>Birthday:</u> Rtn. Maheswari Bisht Rawal – 13 April</p> <p><u>Wedding Anniversary:</u> Nil</p>
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1848

Date: 20 Chaitra 2079 / 3 April 2023

- President Rtn. Shiva K. Pradhan called the RCP's Meeting No.1848 (on Zoom) to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for world peace, health, and happiness.
- The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
- 'Happy News' Contributions:
 - Rtn. Bijaya L. Shrestha – for 'Happy Birthday' in absentia (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Preeti Khemka – for attending the first Zoom meeting from her new residence (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey – for participating in the SAFGR golf tournament in Dhaka (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtns. Bijaya and Gabriele Mallapaty – for the 'Happy Birth' of grandson Faolan Milan Reynolds from their daughter today in Sydney (NRs. 2,000).
- Other contributions:

Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi elaborated on the planned Global Grant Project on Rheumatic Heart Disease Project (See Point No. 4 of the Board decision on next page) and requested interested members to contribute to this project. In addition to the members who pledged during the Board meeting, the following members pledged today:

 - Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi US \$500
 - Rtns. Matsyendra L. and Chandralekha Kayastha US\$200
 - Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa \$200

As the GG project proposal preparations are complete, this needs to be submitted to The Rotary Foundation as soon as possible. Therefore, members who wish to contribute should make their pledges within the next few days.
- Rotary Information:
 - President Elect Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal informed about his participation in the President Elects Training Seminar (PETS) held successfully in Bharatpur during 31 March to 1 April 2023, which has already been shared in Viber.
 - As requested by the Board, Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty confirmed the recruitment of Mr. Ayush Nakarmi to replace Mr. Basant Ale Magar. While Basant will be helping complete the transition in an advisory role during the month of April, all contacts should now be made directly with Ayush (mobile no. 9803365276).
 - Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty also confirmed that GSSA (Graduate Studies Scholarship Award) was given to Ms. Priti Pandey, who was on travel during the RCP's award ceremony, in the presence of the sponsor Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi on 2 April 2023.
- Salutation: By Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht - Rotary Club of Korat, Thailand; Chartered: 1990; & Members: 24. District: 3340, Clubs: 56, & Members: 1225. He also shared some information about Korat.
- Before the adjournment of the meeting by the President, Secretary Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht announced: happy news contribution pledges of NRs. 4,500 to the Sunshine Fund of the RCP, and the meeting attendance of 20 members, and 11 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha

- Q. Who introduced singing to the Rotary Club meeting? A. Harry Ruggles
- Q. The first meeting to establish Rotary was held in room 711 in the Unity Building, Chicago. Whose office was this? A. Gustavus Loehr
- Q: What is the name of first Rotary Club outside North America? A. RC Dublin, Ireland formed in 1911

9th Board Meeting of RY 2022-2023 held on 31 March 2023

Secretary Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht presented the minutes/decisions of the 9th Board meeting, hosted by Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha and his family from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on 31 March 2023 at their residence. There was a participation of 14 Board members while the President Elect was on travel to attend the 'President Elects Training Seminar'. The 'House' endorsed/approved the minutes/decisions of the 9th Board meeting with a couple of edits, which are listed below.

1. The minutes of the 8th Board Meeting were reviewed.
2. International Women's Day programme: The Board noted that the programme was conducted very successfully in collaboration with Lalitpur metropolis and all the partners as planned.
3. The Board noted that the Rotaract Club of Patan has yet to submit the accounting of the RCP's sponsorship amount paid for the above programme, which should be obtained as soon as possible. The Board also iterated the need to formally remind the Rotaract Club of Patan to do the needful to get the Club registered officially in accordance with the laws of Nepal government within this Rotary Year.
4. Update on the planned Global Grant Project (GG 2347069) for Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD) detection on children: Rtns. Gabriele Mallapaty and Prakash R. Regmi briefed on the progress to finalise this GG application for submission to the RI. It is now at the final stage of review with a total budget of US \$42,500 from all the partners. The RCP needs to raise at least US \$2,000 for which an appeal was made for contributions.

The following pledges totalling US \$2,000 were made by the RCP and its members during the Board meeting: RCP \$500, Rtns. Gabriele & Bijaya Mallapaty \$500, Rabendra R. Pandey \$500, Mahendra S. Rawal US \$100 (pledged earlier), Shiv P. and Preeti Khemka \$100, Ganesh R. Shrestha \$100, Kedar B. Shrestha \$100, Khadak S. Bisht \$100.

5. The Board approved to open a separate account of the RCP for the above Global Grant Project (GG2347069) with Prabhu. The signatory panel for this account will be Rotary Year 2023-2024 President Elect Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal, Treasurer Rtn. Preeti Khemka and the Primary Contact of the Project Rtn. Gabriele Mallapaty. The account will be operable with the signatures of any two of the signatory panel members.
6. The Board noted the plans of the RCP's 'Animal Welfare for Public Health' committee with Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht as its coordinator with membership of Rtns. Mukti N. Shrestha, Gabriele Mallapaty and Bijaya Mallapaty. In view of the financial constraints of the principal sponsor, the rabies vaccine and spaying activities will be conducted in the next Rotary Year in October 2023. For this, NRs. 260,000 will be available and further fund-raising within and outside the RCP would be done.
7. New Member: Membership Chairperson Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar presented a proposal to approve the membership of Ms. Sandhya Regmi to the RCP. As all the RCP's requirements for her consideration have been completed, the Board endorsed the proposal for submission to the RCP's 'House' approval on 3 April 2023.
8. Treasurer Rtn. Bharat N. Joshi presented the financial status of the club with income and expenditures as of end March 2023, which was noted by the Board.
9. Next Board Meetings: The following was confirmed:
 - 10th Board meeting to be hosted by Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey on Friday, 5 May 2023 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., followed by fellowship (venue to be confirmed).
 - 11th Board meeting to be hosted by Rtn. Prakash R. Regmi (date/venue to be confirmed)
 - 12th Joint Board meeting to be hosted by President Elect Rtn. Mahendra S. Rawal.
10. On behalf of all present, Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht and Rtn. Rabendra R. Pandey gave a 'Vote of Thanks' to Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha and his family for hosting the Board meeting followed by an excellent fellowship dinner at their residence. Host Rtn. Kedar B. Shrestha took the opportunity to thank all for the enjoyable participation.