



Rotary Club of Carleton Place and Mississippi Mills

Meeting of June 25th, 2012

This meeting was attended by nine of our members with only Bernie and Al not attending. This was the last meeting to be chaired by our current President George. He opened the meeting by asking Secretary Doug if he had received any correspondence. Doug did not have anything to report on. However, George had received two e-mails that he wanted to speak about.

The first was a special Sunset Ceremony being held at Old Fort Henry, Kingston on the evening of Wednesday, July 11th which the Club there had extended an open invitation for our Club's members to attend.

The second item was that he had received an initial notice from the District of their plans to hold their District Conference in Brockville on Friday September 14th and Saturday September 15th. He asked that all members consider attending this conference because it would likely prove to be a very interesting event.

George then asked Rotarian Marion to provide an update on the status of the playground. She said that her contact at the Town was very busily trying to co-ordinate the various dignitary's schedules for the opening to occur, but as yet did not have any further news to present.

Rotarian Gordon then asked to speak about the plans for the Hospital and its' expansion. He said that there was meeting to be held with the Hospital Board and the LIHN to discuss the hospitals planned needs assessment in regards

to their expansion plans. He said that the plans as they stood required that Hospital raise in the neighbourhood of \$15M in order to put their plans in place.

George then asked Marion to talk about the posters that she had brought in. They were a series of posters which documented various events that the Club had participated in since its' founding. Rotarian Arthur then said he could bring in a spare poster portfolio cover to hold them and allow them to be better stored.

George then brought up the matter of the Club's request from earlier in this year to have our Club's name formally changed to not include "and Mississippi Mills" as per the e-mail he had earlier distributed to members. Rotarian Brian then put forward a motion to leave the Club's name as it now stands. This motion was then seconded by Rotarian Gordon.

George then opened up the discussion to the other members in attendance. The primary focus of the discussion was the e-mail distributed by Rotarian Arthur in response to George's about this matter, in which Arthur stated that the timing was not right considering our Club's current state and the general negative sense in the economy at present. The matter was then put to a vote after the discussion was finished. The motion was passed with all but one member voting to support the motion as presented.

One point that was made by incoming President Robert was that once this matter was voted upon, that we no longer visit this issue as it had been a point of negativity that had dragged the Club down since the matter was first voted on. Following the vote, George then echoed this sentiment and asked that this matter be dropped for all future meetings.