

Gyro District VIII - Minutes of Annual Business Meeting

Held In Drumheller, Alberta - May 25, 2019



- The meeting was called to order by Governor Larry Fenton at 9:01AM.
- Governor Larry called on Jim Malott to give the invocation and a brief moment of silence was observed to remember those Gyros who had passed on.
- Governor Larry gave opening remarks, introduced the executive, club representatives, past district governors and International 2nd VP Alan Pentney.
- Secretary-Treasurer David Jenner did the roll call and advised that there was a quorum present.
- Mike Matei of the Edmonton Club advised that the meeting was being governed by Robert's Rules of Order.
- Minutes of the last business meeting held in Nelson B.C. on June 9, 2018 were posted on the Gyro District VIII website and distributed to all members with an email address. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded and carried.
- Alan Pentney gave greetings from Gyro International. Alan discussed what we get for our dues including basic governance, awards and resources. Alan also discussed the modernization of the data base. Alan also thanked Ken Baker for his help and guidance with the finances for Gyro International.
- Lt Governor Derm Jackman reported on his visitations and installations that he attended in Cranbrook and Nelson. Derm also noted his pleasure in being the bulletin judge.
- Past Governor Peter Carter reported that it was a fun year. Peter also assumed responsibility of webmaster for the District Website and chaired the past governors (PDG) meeting. Peter also suggested that the current Governor and Lt Governor be invited to the PDG meeting. Peter also would like to see all members including PDG's bring a new member into Gyro.
- Governor Larry reported on his visitations and installations in Regina, Calgary, Stampede City and Edmonton clubs. Governor Larry also participated in monthly conference calls with Gyro Board of Governors (EC and governors). Larry and Betty also attended the International convention in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.
- Club Delegates gave reports detailing activities and membership issues. A common theme was the aging of clubs.
- Curl-A-Rama - Ken Williamson reported on the 2018 event, which was very successful. John Hodgson reported on plans for 2019. The event may be held in Canmore as the Voyager hotel in Banff may be closed for renovations. Curl-A-Rama will be held November 1 – 3, 2019.
- Financial Statements had been distributed by email to all members prior to the convention. Secretary –Treasurer David Jenner presented the details and

variances to budget to the members present. A motion to approve the financial statements was made and seconded by Ken Williamson and carried.

- Lt Governor Derm Jackman presented his budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. A motion to accept and approve budget was made by Derm, seconded by Gary Cobb and carried.
- Ken Baker discussed what he feels is the need for a “Sunset Clause” as to what to do with Gyro District VIII assets if Gyro disbands in future. Ken requested that a committee be formed to bring recommendations to the next District business meeting in Medicine Hat. A motion was presented by Past Governor Peter Carter and seconded by Ken Williamson. Motion was carried unanimously.
- Ken Baker discussed the expense reimbursement for an International Representative attending District VIII conventions. Ken felt it more appropriate that the district be responsible rather than the hosting club. Past Governor Peter Carter presented a motion that District VIII be responsible for the hotel and registration expenses of International Representatives at District Conventions. Motion was seconded by Lt Governor Derm Jackman and passed.
- There was discussion on the value of The Gyroscope. Clubs were split on need for the Gyroscope with many wanting it kept at the current 4 times per year.
- The potential of an increase in International dues was discussed based on budget issues with the Canadian dollar exchange rate and the reduction in member count. International Executives are currently not charging their full expenses to help balance the budget. There was discussion on International expenses and future dues.
- Past District Governor Peter Carter presented the nominations for incoming District Executives, which included Sid Slade as Lt Governor and Derm Jackman as Governor. Larry Fenton will be the new Past District Governor. The motion was made to confirm Derm Jackman as District Governor and Sid Slade as Lt Governor. The motion was seconded by Gary Cobb and passed unanimously. Derm appointed Ken Baker as the new Secretary Treasurer.
- District VIII Awards:
 - Best Bulletin Award was presented by Lt Governor Derm to Editor Scott Brisbin of Sherwood Park club (accepted by President Rick Craddock).
 - Man Mile Award was presented by David Jenner to the Edmonton Club.
 - Russ Carter Award for the most new members this year was presented by David Jenner to the Cranbrook Club.
- Resolutions were presented by Jim Jackson of the Cranbrook Club and included the writing of letters to the CanAlta Hotel (Drumheller) and the Last Chance Saloon (Wayne) thanking them for hosting us.

Meeting adjourned at 11:28AM.