

Minutes

Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**15:00, Saturday, September 17, 2011
LDS Church, Waterton Lakes**

1. The Annual General meeting of the WGIPPA was called to order at 15:02.
2. Those attending the Annual General Meeting are listed in Appendix “A” attached.
3. Proposed Agenda was approved. (Moved by Millie Baycroft/seconded by Fred Anderson – Carried.)
4. Moment of silence was held for deceased members WGIPPA.
5. President Fran Leggett welcomed all present and introduced the Executive, Directors and guests.
6. Minutes of 2010 AGM, September 11, 2010 were approved. (Moved by Fred Anderson/seconded by Marshall Gingery – Carried.)
7. Financial Reports:
 - a. Glenn Coulter presented the financial report for the Canadian bank account. The balance at year end, September 30th, 2010 was \$5,952.71 (Acceptance moved by Glenn Coulter/seconded by Greg Duncan– Carried.)
 - b. Millie Baycroft presented the financial report for the USA bank account. The balance at year end, September 30th, 2010 was \$2,962.83. (Acceptance moved by Millie Baycroft/seconded by Susan Hay Patrick– Carried.)
 - c. President Fran Leggett requested current and historical financial statements from Host Clubs for the BOD’s review and retention.
8. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a. Host Club Report – Jim Dokken, Chair of the Rotary Club of High River Host (#5360) brought the AGM up to date on the activities remaining at this year’s Assembly, there location, and some of the challenges organizing the Assembly in Waterton Lakes.

- b. 2012 Host Report – Ed Rothfuss (Rotary Club of Kalispell, #5390) Chair of the Organizing Committee from the six Flat Head Valley Rotary Clubs, indicated that the 2912 Assembly is scheduled for September 13 to 16, 2012, at the Glacier Park Lodge, East Glacier, Montana. Discussion followed with respect to both the format of registration for the Assembly and the possible re-location of the Assembly out of Glacier Park to the Hilton Garden Hotel in Kalispell. The capacity for the banquet (up to 500) and lower room rates (\$109.00) were a major consideration.
- c. Future Hosts of WGIPPA – The Rotary Club of Calgary (#5360) has expressed a strong interest in being the Host Club for the 2013 Assembly at Waterton Lakes.
- d. Incorporation of WGIPPA – Glenn Coulter reported that the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association was officially incorporated in Alberta, Canada on January 24th, 2011. Greg Duncan reported that the WGIPPA was officially incorporated in Montana, USA on July 8th, 2011. Greg set the WGIPPA up as a regular corporation, rather than a “501C” on the advice of the Secretary of State for Montana.
(Copies of incorporation documents are attached as Appendix “B”)

9. New Business

- a. Correspondence – No correspondence of note was received.
- b. Resolution to welcome Clubs from District 5080 into the WGIPPA - The following motion was recommended by the BOD to the AGM:

“Motion: Proposed Resolution Welcoming District #5080 to the WGIPPA

- 1. *Whereas, the objectives of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association (WGIPPA) are:*
 - i. *The fostering of friendly international relations and goodwill between the citizens of the countries of Canada and the United States of America, and in particular the Provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Northwest Territories, and the State of Montana.*
 - ii. *To exemplify to the world at large those nations with a common boundary can live in permanent peace, harmony, and friendship; and*
- 2. *Whereas both the Board of Directors, and Members of WGIPPA have expressed interest in having Clubs from Districts of Rotary International adjacent to the Parks also become Members of WGIPPA; and*

3. *Whereas District 5080 unanimously passed a resolution at their June 2011 District Conference in Spokane , Washington to join WGIPPA;*

Therefore be it resolved that:

- i. Clubs within District 5080 of Rotary International be welcomed as Members of WGIPPA, and further that;*
- ii. The Board of Directors of WGIPPA make recommendations to its Membership as to amendments in its By-Laws to accommodate District 5080, and that these recommendations are considered by the Membership at the next Annual General Meeting, or Special General Meeting for adoption.”*

(Moved by Glenn Coulter/seconded by Sheran Carter – Carried.)

Casey Brennan and Randal Macnair represented District #5080 at the AGM.

- c. Reports from Superintendents of Glacier and Waterton Parks – Reports by both Dave McDonough, Superintendent of Waterton Lakes National Park, and Chas cartwright, Superintendent of Glacier Park, related to activities within the Parks over the past year.
 - d. WGIPPA as Fellowship in Rotary – Vice President Carl Prinzing provided a hand out sheet on “Rotarian Peace Park Fellowship” (copy attached as Appendix “C”), and encouraged Rotarians present to sign up on sheets provided. The possibility of the WGIPPA becoming a Rotary Fellowship looks promising. This would enhance the tie between the WGIPPA and RI.
 - e. Nomination of Directors to WGIPPA – This matter was tabled pending the reallocation of Directors among participating Districts within the WGIPPA.
10. Closing comments from President, WGIPPA – President Fran Leggett welcomed District #5080 into the WGIPPA. Further, she emphasized the need for the WGIPPA to establish a Strategic Plan that would guide the activities and direction of the Association in the future. She encouraged the BOD to move in this direction over the next year.
 11. Adjournment was moved by Greg Duncan at 16:20 - Carried.