

Minutes

Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association

BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING

**15:00, Friday, September 16, 2011
LDS Church, Waterton Lakes**

1. The BOD Meeting of the WGIPPA was called to order at 15:02.
2. Those attending the BOD Meeting are listed in Appendix “A” attached.
3. Proposed Agenda was approved. (Moved by Millie Baycroft/seconded by Barry Nolan – Carried.)
4. Directors and Guests were introduced.
5. Minutes of the BOD meeting of Friday September 10th, 2010 were approved. (Moved by Greg Duncan/seconded by Earl Huson – Carried.)
6. Business Arising from the Minutes of Friday September 10th, 2010.
 - a. Centennial Project – A motion was made to abandon the project. (Moved by Barry Nolan/seconded by Terry Allen – Carried.)
 - b. Public Relations Committee Report – Dale Gillespie reported that he had been working with the Kalispell Club, but had not been able to work with anyone on the Canadian side of the border. He indicated that he was working on the WGIPPA “bible” as to how the WGIPPA Assemblies should be run. It was mentioned that such a document had been created by George Adam of Calgary South in about 1995-1996 when he was the Secretary/Treasurer. Dale further mentioned that he had set aside some domain names for the WGIPPA web site.
 - c. Contract Negotiation Committee – Marshall Gingery indicated that he had been in telephone contact with the East Glacier/Many Glaciers/Prince of Wales hotel company in Phoenix on four occasions over the past year (last call May 1st). It appears there is no opportunity to negotiate financial matters with the hotel company as rates are apparently set with the Park Service. The attempts to negotiate a better deal for the WGIPPA have been frustrating and fruitless due to changing people on the hotel side. It was confirmed that the WGIPPA does not owe anything to the hotel company. It was suggested that Negotiations with the hotel company cease.

- 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. Greg is currently the registered agent, which will be transferred to Millie Baycroft. (Copies of incorporation documents are attached as Appendix “B”)

Motion: Treasurer of the WGIPPA in Montana will be the official agent in Montana. (Moved by Marshall Gingery/seconded by Carl Prinzing – Carried.)

7. Minutes of the BOD meeting of Sunday September 12th, 2010, were not read and were approved as circulated. (Moved by Susan Hay Patrick/seconded by Millie Baycroft – Carried.)
8. Business Arising from the Minutes of Sunday September 12th, 2010.
 - a. Host Club Report for Waterton, 2011 – Jim Dokken – High River, 5360 brought the BOD up to date with the challenges that he and the Rotary Club of High River had dealing with the Prince of Wales Hotel and organizing the WGIPPA Assembly. It was noted that a document outlining the format and details for the Annual Assembly was badly needed. The Bayshore Hotel was approached and their requests were unreasonable. The hotel would allow a maximum of 130 at the banquet. It was noted that the WGIPPA “*may be outgrowing Waterton.*” It was reported that the USA Consul General, Laura Lochman, would be making a presentation at the Barbeque, as well as musical entertainment by Calum Graham.

Comments following the report in the discussion included:

 - Marshall Gingery noted that the WGIPPA has an important political role, that we “*need to define what we are*”, and “*what is our agenda?*”
 - President Fran Leggett noted that the “*WGIPPA has to become more pro-active.*”
 - Earl Huson noted that “*WGIPPA Assembly is not a party.*”
 - Terry Allen noted that “*District Governors need major buy-in and involvement.*”

Dale Gillespie indicated that he would try and visit all Clubs in Montana during the next year.
 - b. 2012 Host Club Meeting Report – Ed Rothfuss - Kalispell, 5390 advised the BOD of the plans for the 2012 Assembly being hosted by the six Flat Head valley Clubs. Promotion at Waterton included a draw for two

registrations for 2012. The golf tournament is to be scheduled for Friday to allow for more substantive meetings on Saturday with great speakers. It was noted that a contract had been signed with the East Glacier Hotel, but alternative accommodation for the Assembly was being considered, possibly at the Garden Hilton in Kalispell.

- c. Flags and Banner for the WGIPPA – President Fran Leggett reported that the Lethbridge Clubs that hosted the 2009 Assembly had purchased a set of flags for the WGIPPA with proceeds from the Assembly.
- d. WGIPPA as Fellowship in Rotary – Vice President Carl Prinzing provided a hand out sheet to the BOD on “Rotarian Peace Park Fellowship” (copy attached as Appendix “C”). Rotarians present at the AGM will be encouraged 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.

9. 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 (Moved by Glenn Coulter/seconded by Fran Leggett – 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.
- c. President Fran Leggett requested current and historical financial statements from Host Clubs for the BOD’s review and retention.

Motion: “That District funding provided in support of the WGIPPA is to be allocated to the USA bank account until a similar balance is achieved with the Canadian account.” (Moved by Greg Duncan/seconded by Terry Allen – Carried.)

10. New Business

- a. Correspondence – none of note was received.
- b. Resolution to welcome Clubs of District 5080 as a Members of WGIPPA.

Motion: The following motion was recommended by the BOD to the AGM.

“Proposed Resolution Welcoming District #5080 to the WGIPPA

- 1. *Whereas, the objectives of the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Association (WGIPPA) are:*

- a. *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.*
 - b. *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:

- a. *Clubs within District 5080 of Rotary International be welcomed as Members of WGIPPA, and further that;*
- b. *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 Marshall Gingery – Carried.)

- c. Revision of WGIPPA By-Laws to accommodate District 5080 – input from Directors was received and asked to be provided to Glenn Coulter after the meeting.
- d. Reports from Superintendents of Glacier and Waterton Parks – The Parks Superintendents were not able to attend the BOD Meeting.
- e. Nominations to Board of Directors of WGIPPA. – This agenda item was tabled until a decision is made on the composition of the new BOD following the inclusion of District #5080 into the WGIPPA.
- f. WGIPPA CD –Terry Allen reported that there had been little progress on this item. He hoped to discuss this with attendees at the Assembly.
- g. Proposed New WGIPPA Logo – Past President Phil Iverson (*in absentia* via letter) proposed that the WGIPPA adopt the logo as shown in his letter included in Appendix “D” as the official logo of the WGIPPA. Following discussion by the BOD the proposal was tabled.

- h. Change of Venue of Assembly – Ed Rothfuss of Kalispell Rotary through his handout “Agenda Item – Change of Venue”, attached as Appendix “E”, suggested that the WGIPPA consider moving the Assembly out of the Parks to Kalispell, Montana for at least 2012. Although it was proposed that the meetings of the Assembly would be held in Kalispell, the “Hands Across the Border Ceremony was proposed to be held in Glacier Park at Lake McDonald. Following discussion by the BOD, this item was tabled for further discussion at the Annual General Meeting.
- i. Review of Registration Fees – Ed Rothfuss of Kalispell Rotary through his handout “Agenda Item – Review of Registration Fees”, attached as Appendix “F”, suggested that alternative registration arrangements be considered for spouses, or others accompanying a Rotarian at the Assembly. The consensus of the BOD was that the size and format of registration fee charges was to be left to the discretion of the host Club(s).

11. Next Meeting – Immediately following the AGM of Saturday September 17th, 2011.

12. Adjournment was moved by Carl Prinzing at 16:35 - Carried.