

Minutes of the RCRV Board of Directors Meeting 03/21/2007

Past Board Chairman Chuck Wehage determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:38 PM.

Board members and guests introduced themselves by name and organizational affiliation. Twenty-one members signed the attendance list.

Approval of the minutes of the February meeting, with corrections as follows, was moved by Don Grimm, and seconded by Rod Thorpe.

Footer: change June 2006 to February 2007
Page 2 Paragraph 1: "Rob" should be "Rod."
Page 2 Paragraph 2: Ann Griffin's name is misspelled.
Page 2 Paragraph 4: "Thank" should be "Thanks."
Page 2 Recruiting and Retention: Format as paragraph header.
Page 3 Paragraph 2: "us" should be "up."
Page 3 Paragraph 4: "help" should be "held."
Page 3 Paragraph 5: "the" should be "to."

The motion passed by voice vote.

Wehage reported on the meeting with Clay Jones and members of his staff. Jim Green led the RCRV presentation, which provided Rockwell Collins management with an update on RCRV accomplishments. The increase in membership and in donated hours since the last review was substantial and Mr. Jones and his staff acknowledged this progress.

Specific suggestions for enhancing RCRV community impact were discussed. Some of these include:

- Expanding the Rockwell Collins matching gift program to cover RCRV members' charitable contributions.
- Assistance from Rockwell Collins staff in addressing continuing concern about potential personal liability of RCRV volunteers arising from their activities.
- Establishment of a similar organization in Melbourne.
- Applying for 501(c)(3) status for the RCRV corporation should the need arise to handle volunteer funds.
- RCRV volunteering to support company programs and events, such as communicating details of the upcoming transition in the Rockwell Collins drug benefit, helping with 75th anniversary celebration events, and in conducting company tours for new employees or visitors.

No action was taken on these suggestions at these meetings. Specific follow up plans will be pursued by the RCRV directors.

Rockwell Collins, Cindy Dietz:

Cindy introduced Cheri Kampman, Rockwell Collins volunteer coordinator who will be assuming Jenny Becker's K12 responsibilities, and will work on the Handicap America program. Cheri started with Junior Achievement, then worked at Kirkwood for five years. Jenny Becker will assume a strategic corporate role in education programs.

The RCRV management briefing went very well. Rockwell Collins Participants included:

- *Clay Jones – Chairman, President, and CEO*
- *Ron Kirchenbauer – SVP Human Services*
- *Gary Chadick – General Counsel and Secretary*
- *Patrick Allen – SVP and CFO*
- *John Paul Besong – SVP eBusiness & Lean*
- *Mark Harris – VP, eFlight Commercial Systems (delegate for Kelly Ortberg)*
- *Tim Burris – Sr. Director, Enterprise Communication (delegate for Barry Abzug)*
- *Cheryl Bazzell – HR Business Partner, GS (delegate for Greg Churchill)*

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- *John Borghese – VP Advanced Technology Center (delegate for Nan Mattai)*
- *Roger Weiss – VP Material & Supply Operations (delegate for Jeff Moore)*
- *David Brehm – VP & Controller, RCS (delegate for Kent Statler)*

- *Cindy Dietz – Manager, Community Relations*
- *Jenny Becker – Sr. Community Relations Specialist*
- *Melanie Richert – Community Relations Specialist*
- *Cheri Kampman – Volunteer Coordinator*

All participants in the briefing were asked to help steer interest to RCRV within the company. Cindy is meeting with Ron Kirchenbauer to plan means for notifying retirees of RCRV opportunities. Ron is also planning to reach out to other geographic divisions, specifically Melbourne, since they already have an active core of retirees who maintain social contact with each other. The liability insurance questions and the possibility of matching retiree gifts within budget will be discussed.

Cindy noted that the company's Diversity Focus program will be looking for ambassadors, and that might be another opportunity for volunteers from RCRV to support Rockwell Collins. Other opportunities exist in the Handicap America and United Way campaigns.

In a question and answer exchange, Arlo Meyer noted that when he volunteered at the company museum, the door was locked, and he asked Cindy to find out whether specific RCRV members could be assigned keys. Arlo also suggested that badges with escort privileges would be required for RCRV volunteers who conduct tours. Chuck Wehage noted that September 9 is Arthur Collins 100th birthday. An appropriate celebration would be a parade to Echo Site where Collins conducted the first communications through outer space.

Jim Green will be the RCRV contact to follow up with Rockwell Collins staff on addressing personal liability questions.

Program

Chuck Wehage showed a Cary J Hahn public service feature recorded from a KGAN new broadcast. It featured Ann Griffin and a number of RCRV products in action. It was well executed and reflected credit on the RCRV program.

Committee Reports

Community Projects, John McDonough (absent, via e-mail):

Bocce ball ramp complete for GWAEA. Five more bookcases have been built for Wright School and delivered by Arlo Meyer.

John Wauer has added an interface to several CD players such that the display can be paused by pushing an external switch.

We continue to support TRIAD, Aging Services, SHIIP, GWAEA, 4 Oaks Bridge, Eastern Iowa Observatory installation, the free clinic, Linn County Trails, and the WRAP (Wheelchair Ramp Accessibility Program) Coalition.

We have received a couple of inputs for the WRAP Coalition, one to build a ramp, and the other is to remove a ramp. Keith Sutherland handled both of these inputs.

The Cedar Rapids Fire Department provided a thank you for RCRV's efforts in installing fire alarms in many area homes. They have about 700 alarms left and will give them to Aging Services for installation during home inspections dependant on the need.

The Rockwell Collins Management review of RCRV was held this past week by Jim Green.

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Computer classes are starting soon by Barb of REACT on Saturday Mornings. She has 11 people signed up at this time.

Cary J. Hahn, Iowa Traveler, did a 2-minute spot on KGAN this past month spotlighting RCRV Assistive Technology designs. This was done at Linn-Mar High School with Ann Griffin, and the regular teacher leading activities. He did an excellent presentation.

If you can dream it, we can do it.

Communications, Rod Thorpe:

Rod is about to start the April newsletter. Material should be in Rod's hands before the middle of April.

Data Base, Jim Klein:

No report.

Recruiting and Retention, Pete Jurgens:

Pete reported RCRV has 182 active members now. RSVP list has a few more addresses for our data base.

Agency Reports

Aging Services, Carol Luth:

Aging Services is preparing for the 11th annual Golf Invitational fundraiser Monday, June 25th. "Presenting Sponsor" is Carousel Motors of Iowa City.

Four Oaks Bridge, Carol Kalous:

No report.

Grant Wood AEA, Ann Griffin:

No report.

Jane Boyd Community House, Karl Cassell:

No report.

New Horizons, Mark Beason:

No report.

REACT, Barb Klawiter:

No report.

RSVP, Angela Burns:

Angela is scheduled to speak at St Marks Lutheran Church to a "50 plus" potluck luncheon on June 28th. She will describe the role of RSVP in coordinating volunteer activity in the area and present ideas for increased volunteerism.

Angela and Heidi Soethout are meeting to plan WRAP organization and startup milestones.

Angel is updating the RSVP email data base

St. Luke's Hospital, Denise Walker:

Construction continues at St. Lukes facilities. All rehabilitation facilities have now been moved to the sixth floor.

St. Luke's Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation will be hosting grand open house events for their newly remodeled inpatient rehabilitation and outpatient rehabilitation areas on the sixth floor of St. Lukes Hospital

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July 19 through July 22. The public will be invited to the event on Thurs. eve at the Paramount Theater where Ron Santo will be the speaker. (time yet to be finalized). On Sunday July 22 there will be a public open house at St. Luke's sixth floor from 11am-2pm.

Denise commented that they are expecting a large impact of latent brain injuries from explosions in Iraq war. Heidi Soethout said that she also sees impact in correctional programs.

Hospice of Mercy, Sara Case:

No report.

Correctional Services, Heidi Soethout:

No report.

Heart of Iowa, Myrna Loehrlein:

No report.

Heritage Agency on Aging, Linda Dearing:

Senior Leadership sessions will start in September. Planning is under way.

Options of Linn County (Wayne Clayton):

John Wauer completed a switch adaptation for a consumer's CD player. This enables him to independently start and stop a CD.

Jack Murphy completed a set of stamping devices that enable consumers to work on stamping contracts with accuracy and consistency.

Red Cross, Joan Schaffer:

This Saturday the Red Cross is presenting Save-A-Life Saturday for CPR and defibrillator training update at reduced prices.

There will be a "Big Bash" fundraiser at the PS Air hangar at the airport on May 4.

United Way, Mary Klinger:

No report.

Old Business

No items.

New Business

No items.

Adjournment

2:30PM

The next Board meeting is April 18 at the Red Cross building.

Submitted by Don Grimm, Secretary.