

Inter-Club Council Meeting Minutes

May 8, 2025 / 9:00 AM Royal Oak City Hall

Attendees

Amy Murphy, Cynthia DeMan, Shelly Lake, Kathy Ferrando, Mary Beth Fitzpatrick, Nancy Chinn, Major Steven Woodard, Doreen Murphy, Chimere Sutton, Katrina Hamilton, Terry Poduska, Simon Mourani, Betty Ann Garlak, Heather Duenas, Judy Davids

Notes

Welcome- Amy. (9:00 am)

- Introduction of Officers
- Introduction of Guest Speaker – Krista Wilder Treeline Associates

Speaker - Krista spoke to the attendees regarding “Your Business Champion.”

- o Treeline Associates assists Non-Profits in simply and effectively using numerous resources that will make their work more efficient and help their members stay in control of the work without burnout.
- o She introduced the group to various online services
- o Krista will send the PowerPoint to Amy, and it will be disseminated to the group

New Business

- April Meeting minutes - approved
- Elections
 - o Amy spoke to the requirement of voting yearly for the officers.
 - o Amy spoke to the group regarding changing the bylaws , some discussion and it was decided that Amy would send that bylaw to the group for future changes.
 - o Amy then turned the floor over to Betty Garlak to handle the nominations.
 - Amy was nominated by Shelly Lake for President
 - Cynthia was nominated by Amy for Vice President
 - Tom Toggweiler was nominated by Amy Murphy for Secretary
 - Shelly Lake was nominated by Terry Poduska for Treasurer
 - Terry Poduska was nominated by Cynthia for Member at Large
 - o A voice vote was taken as there were no other nominations from the floor, and the slate was elected for the 2025-2026 year.
- Interactive Ideas
 - o Group shared ideas on sticky notes for suggestions on speakers and hosts.

Next Meeting

- June 12, 2025. 9 am – 10 am; Royal Oak City Hall
- Continental Breakfast to celebrate the year.

Round Table/ Member Updates

Lions Club

- White Cane April 25 – May 5
- Donations support Eversight, Leader Dogs (eyesight checks for children under 6)

Royal Oak Woman's Club (ROWC)

- Garage Sale – Joining the Vinsetta Blvd Sale
 - May 16, 17, & 18
- Benito's Pizza Fundraiser: June 2 & 3

South Oakland Family Y

- Had the Fundraising Breakfast - \$13,000 in donations, thank you!
- Gearing up for Summer Camp

Royal Oak Youth Assistance

- Recognized youth with awards at annual dinner.
- Scholarships
- Pizza sale
- Looking for someone to serve on the committee with an accounting background

Salvation Army

- Walk for Justice – May 8, Detroit Zoo; looking for a sponsor for the 2026 walk.
- Women's Auxiliary is holding a fundraiser at Leon & Lulu's on May 7, 2025
- If you wish to support the Post Workers' food drive, you can put the food on your porch and/or come to the Sal and help sort on Saturday, May 10

Blessings in a Backpack

- Trivia Fundraiser – May 9th at the Venetian Club, all digital this year

Oakland 80

- Katrina Hamilton works with the Royal Oak Schools in the Royal Oak High School Career Education office. Oakland80 is an Oakland County initiative designed to assist residents in securing a degree or credential beyond high school. Its goal is for 80% of Oakland County working-age adults to have a post-secondary degree or credential by the year 2030.

Welcome Inn

- Many changes are now looking for volunteers to clean out the building (discard old furniture, paperwork, etc.).
- The Welcome Inn will now be open 3 days a week in the Summer and serve an early dinner

Royal Oak Schools Foundation:

- Biggest Fundraiser coming up on June 23 – Golf Outing

Royal Oak Schools:

- Staff Appreciation Week = Celebrating the entire month! (ICC Board thanked teachers in attendance.)
- New Superintendent interviews the week of the 12th

City of Royal Oak

- Exploring parking system – the system in place will be replaced by the end of the year
- Memorial Day Parade – May 26 - A veteran is completing his walk with other veterans (222 miles)

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- Opportunities for Grants from community foundation – Due May 16

Meeting adjourned at 10:22