

Optimist Club of Gettysburg
Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2020



The Optimist Club of Gettysburg met on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at the Mason Dixon Distillery for our annual officers and board of directors' installation banquet. We were treated to hors d'oeuvres and a meal fit for royalty, oops I mean **OPTIMISTS**. We had 17 members and 7 significant others in attendance along with Lt. Governor Susan Mattox and Marion Dourte from Lancaster. We began the evening with President Marci welcoming and leading us with the Pledge of Allegiance and Lt. Gov. Susan giving the invocation.

Business Meeting:

1. Marci opened the meeting with the announcement of the passing of a great Optimist year while she was president. Marci thanked all the members for their support throughout 2019-2020 Optimist year in the face of an unprecedented pandemic.
2. Outgoing President Marci reviewed the past year and thanked the 2019-2020 officers: Brian, Tom, and Daryl; Board of Directors: Doug, Fred, Chris, and Stacey; as well as all members and spouses for their support.
3. The main order of business was the installation of new officers and Board of Directors for 2020-2021 by Lt. Governor Susan Mattox: (Officers) President-Brian Skidmore, Secretary-Daryl Aurand, and Treasurer-Tom Barako, (Board of Directors) Stacey Schlosser, Darlene Brown, Fred Darling, and Marci Cropp.
4. Newly elected President Brian Skidmore addressed the membership and noting as a former Optimist President the definition of "optimism" is hopefulness and confidence about the future or the successful outcome of something. President Brian looks forward to yet another year for our Gettysburg Optimist Club carrying our mission to the youth of our community.
5. The meeting ended with the recitation of the Optimist Creed.

Upcoming Dates:

- 10/21//2020 Optimist Meeting, location TBD
- 11/5/2020 Adams CO Foundation Giving Spree
- 12/11/2020 Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Sign-up sheet to be circulated
- 12/16/2020 Holiday Party/Dinner @ Gettysburg Fire Hall
- 3/13/2021 Oyster/Shrimp Fundraiser @ Gettysburg Fire Hall

Respectfully Submitted,
Daryl Aurand, Secretary