Rotary | Southern Districts

2019/2020

Notes from the meeting April 7

22 members attended last night up from 9 at meeting 1 then 15 meeting 2

All members had been contacted by various buddies

during the week and it is appreciated that several members

do not want to use the online meeting process and that is fine,

it is important that we maintain contact with all members,

and even past members.

General points of discussion,

the club committees should continue to support programs

as planned and look any new opportunities to help our community.

The consensus was that we should look at how

we can help the community on the other side if the lock down

and look at supporting groups and programs that help them get back to normality

. Julie advised that it probably take well over a year

for thee Travel agency industry to recover as most cancelled trips

were not refunded but held for future use

so even if Travel resumed tomorrow all these saved funds

would have to be used up first before any new travel was booked.

So, Julie is actively looking for alternate employment.

A member made an important financial observation

that any business or income lost during this period would never

be recovered as when we come out of this period business and personal income

will simply begin again without any real opportunity to recover lost income

, so, we all, Businesses, Individuals, retirees need to be mindful

that any debt accrued during this period will be difficult to budge

It was interesting to see that members were offering support

and assistance to others within the group with advice

on managing applications of financial support for those

who had lost jobs and businesses with reduced income?

This often happens within our club on a one on one basis

but in this case, it was the whole group helping where we could

which to me harks back to the very core of what Rotary is all about

and I was very pleased to see it happening.

Assistant Governor Graham attended the beginning of the meeting

Looking forward to seeing a few more at the next Zoom meeting