MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

January 11, 1951

Twenty-eight business and professional men gathered in Studio "A" of Radio Station CFGP at 7pm, January 11th. 1951, for the purpose of organizing the Rotary Club of Grande Prairie.

Art Balfour introduced Bill Bruce of the Edmonton Rotary Club, which organization was prepared to sponsor the formation of a club in Grande Prairie. Mr. Bruce spoke to the assembled prospective Rotarians outlining the history and concepts of Rotary International.

Art Balfour moved and Tom Griffith seconded a motion that a provisional Rotary Club of Grande Prairie be formed, and that the members should apply for a charter from Rotary Internation The motion was carried unanimously.

Fred Johnson moved and John Wilson seconded a motion that the constitution and by-laws of Rotary International be adopted. The motion was carried.

J. B. Oliver then moved that the meeting adopt a slate of eight directors as follows:

Art Balfour
Tom Griffith
John Nelson
John Wilson
John Lynn
Fred Johnson
Elmer Logan
Harry Watcher

The motion was seconded by Bryant Richards. Delmer Pratt moved that nominations cease. The above mentioned were then considered as duly elected directors of the provisional Rotary Club of Grande Prairie

There followed a discussion of meeting days and Fred Johnson moved that the Provisional Rotary Club of Grande Prairie meet every Monday at 12:15 in the Hotel York. Ferrel Swanston seconded the motion which was approved by the meeting.

Don Patterson moved and Bill Kerr seconded a motion that any two of the treasurer, secretary or president be empowered with signing authority. The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at eight o'clock

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