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Opening

President Elect Gilbert opened the meeting by extending a warm welcome to our guests and fellow members.

Four Way Test was administered by Rtn. Alan Babington-Smith in English and Chinese.

Emergency Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Alan welcomed visiting Rotarians:

Rtn. Jeff Reiss, RC Terra Linda (San Rafael) CA USA
Rtn. Terry Wood, RC Sedgley & Wombourne, England
Rtn. Mey Lan, RC Neuchatel, Suisse
Rtn. Gerrit Schepens, RC Barchem, Netherlands
Rtn. Helen Boyle, RC Northwick Park, London UK
Rtn. Tony Boyle, RC Kingsbury, London UK

And visiting guests:

Mr. Nurro Goacalves-Pedro, guest of Rtn. Curt
Mr. Graham Brown, guest of Rtn. Curt
Mr. David Martin, guest of Rtn. Curt
Mr. Richard Rheindorf, guest of Rtn. Jeff
Mr. Jan Heurik W. Kuhletctt, guest of Rtn. Gilbert
Ms. Yvonne Li, guest of Rtn. Gilbert
Ms. Lucy Zhang, guest of Rtn. Kevin
Mr. Tony Nicholson, guest of Rtn. Einar
Mr. Walter Jansen, guest of Rtn. Gilbert
Mr. Bernd Eitel, guest of Rtn. Stephan
Dr. Brandes Annche, guest of Rtn. Marlis

Happy Money

Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn. Alan collected a total of RMB 2503.1 for Club projects.

Attendance

Attendance was 34%

Banner Exchange

Banners were exchanged with the following Rotary Clubs:

- RC Berlin
- RC Barchem, Netherlands
- RC Sedgley & Wombourne, England
- RC Neuchatel, Suisse

Reports & Announcements

IPP Kevin invited members again to join the trip to Gubeikou on September 27. This is the second visit this year the first was in May, joint partner Mr. Jim Firmin from Rotary Club Louisiana USA will also be on the trip. Members who would like to go please contact CA Nancy.

Peace Ambassador Jeff Reiss announced that September 21st was the International Day of Peace. 75,000 schools from around the world are participating. Jeff noted there is a Peace Pool at the Holiday Inn in Lido and he invited our members to place a RCB banner there as an expression of support

Speaker's Program

Rtn. Alan introduced today's speaker Mr. Lester Ross, Lawyer of Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale and Dorr LLP.

Lester gave a presentation about what the Rule of Law means in China. Part of his discussion dealt with the development of law in China. He gave some insights as to where there has been progress and other areas which are still in progress.

Rtn. Matt thanked Lester for his brilliant speech.

Conclusion

Club President Elect Gilbert closed the meeting with a toast to the visiting clubs, Rotary International, our sister Clubs - the Rotary Club of Copenhagen, the Rotary Club of Hong Kong, Rotary Club of Great Neck, the Rotary Club of Shanghai, the Rotary Club of Del Mar and Interact Club of Dulwich College Beijing.

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