

July 9th, Board Meeting, Purpoodock Club

In Attendance: K. Cotter; T. Meyers; M. Tranfaglia, D. Schauf, B. Anderson, A. Gonzalez;

Guests: K. Mitchell and B. York

“Partners in Development” Child sponsorship: Kaylene Mitchell:

Requested that the Club sponsor a child within the Guatemalan “Partners in Development” project (which she presented to the Club on May 28th).

Rotaract and SMCC plan to continue their support and trips to follow up on the projects directly. K. indicated that the money goes a long way and the children and needs are real, as she had the opportunity to meet sponsored children directly. The hope is that our club can inspire other organizations to commit to sponsorships. This is a one time commitment and there is no expectation of continuation nor long term commitment. The sponsorship is \$350.00 per year.

Unanimously approved.

After K. Mitchell had left, T. Myers mentioned that it was important that all of these types of projects were properly vetted. It was indicated that the “Partners in Development” project had already been vetted by the club before the first funds were granted last Rotary year.

Membership and Attendance Issues – Marc Mutty

- 21 members had paid; deadline is July 15th.
 - 2 requested special considerations
- Average attendance is currently at 64%; unsure about reasoning, as initially believed weather may be an issue, but highest attendance was during hard winter days.
- Suggested that attendance and membership situation should be discussed in next Club assembly. It is important to also mention that demographics should be kept in mind when searching for potential new members.

Budget – K. Cotter mentioned that N. Irving will be giving an updated report during next Board meeting. The surplus from prior Rotary year is now a part of the working budget. Which means that currently, there are about \$20 thousand dollars to plan for projects and community service. We are the stewards of the funds, so the Board must be mindful of how it is used.

- Marc mentioned that some of the funds could be used for Cybil’s Food Pantry’s transportation needs. B. Bagdasarian is getting more

information on Cybil's needs. K. Cotter mentioned that the van currently used was purchased through the State of Maine auction.

Bug Light Movie Series –

Because the club donated \$250.00, we can have an informational table on one night; "Back to the Future" was the movie selected; we will be able to advertise upcoming events, and Winterfest; we will also have a raffle prize, which will consist of a private tour of Bug Light. Two people are allowed at the table; this will be done on July 31st.

K.Cotter: There were two things not set up initially on the agenda:

- First: Scott asked about the trees; a vote needed to send the deposit of \$10,000.00 to Harvey & Sprague, for the tree order. It was moved to vote and approved anonymously.

- Second: We need to start coming up with names for a VP candidate; it needs to be found and voted;
 - The role and expectations of the VP are to Chair Fundraising (except for Christmas Tree)
 - Bill suggested that perhaps we can search among prior Presidents; in other clubs this is a common practice.

Finally, Kathy requested that we start thinking of project and committees ideas and send them to her. Also, she mentioned that Cape Elizabeth is turning 250 years old in the summer of 2015. We want to be involved in that.

Van for Boys & Girls Club –Kathy Cotter

Kathy mentioned that the Sunrise Club has committed to help the Boys and Girls club. They want our club to consider donating towards the van acquisition fund. The van is to be purchased from Pape Chevrolet who have given them a great deal on the van; the Sunrise Club has 15 members. In 1971, our club gave \$10,000 to start the Boys and Girls Club.

Tom asked what part of our vision would this fall under

Bill suggested that we can get the Portland Club to participate

Further discussion was moved to be continued

Marc mentioned that he wants the Board to be mindful about not overcommitting to any one particular project which could put us in a complicated situation if other needs arise.

Respectfully submitted: Anamaria Gonzalez