

Board Meeting March 5, 2014

In Attendance: Dave Bagdasarian; Kathy Cotter; Nancy Irving; Scott Irving; Marc Mutty; Bill Phillips; Chuck Redman; Ellie Speh

Guests: Tony Wagner; Bill York

Approval of February Minutes: Unanimously Approved

External Budget: Nancy Irving

- Nancy indicated areas where we can spend some money in the latest financial statement she sent out. Board unanimously voted to release all restricted funds and have Nancy write checks. We will see what's left at the next Board meeting and vote on where to allocate remaining funds.
- With the disbanding of Venture Crew 271, Jason & Tony felt that the remaining \$ in that account (\$1250) should be returned to us rather than having it roll into the Scout Council General Fund. How should we use this \$? Board voted to reimburse Tony for whatever expenses are involved in returning the boat including possibly the need to get it reregistered. After those expenses are paid we will vote on the allocation of remaining funds.

Internal Budget & Attendance Issues: Marc Mutty

- Board voted to raise the annual dues. We will see if a \$20 increase will cover the rise in RI & District dues and have the club vote on it at our next club assembly. Unanimously approved having Family Fun Day profits go toward the Internal Budget with the caveat that we will check with John LoBosco to make sure this is an acceptable use of these funds. "Fun-raisers" like Tony's cookout, bowling, etc. will be directed toward this budget as well. There is a balance of \$7653.99 in the Internal Budget as of 3/3/14.
- Attendance issues: Ellie will check with Alan Hawkins on his status; Kaylene has reported makeups; Jason has resigned; Kathy will speak to Mike T; Randy Smith & Doug Schauf?

Funding Requests:

- Grant Sending Maternal Medical Equipment to 5 Clinics in Mongolia: Several years ago, our District took part in the first Group Study Exchange

to travel to Mongolia. South Portland Sunrise President, Tracey Merrill, took part in that mission. That exchange of medical professionals – led by Burt Dibble, now president of the **Exeter** Club, brought home stories of just how rudimentary medical facilities were. Now, a Global Grant is underway – in coordination with District 7870/NH and Vermont – to do something tangible to help. Pledges and or checks supporting this grant are most welcomed. Pledges from our District will be matched 50 cents on the \$1.

Board voted to send \$500 for this initiative.

- Kayak Safe Passage Expedition

Deb Walters, who spoke to our club last week, is Kayaking to Guatemala and beginning her trek in July 2014. She wants to bring awareness and donations to Safe Passage in Guatemala.

Board voted to send \$500 for this initiative.

- Ellie still has not heard back from Hear Me Now or the Robotics team at SPHS

Question: Does Cape have a Robotics Team?

- Ellie will check with Kaylene to see if all of the Rotaract group's mission to Guatemala expenses have been covered.

Other Business:

- Shipping costs for supplies going to Guatemala. Anamaia was not at the meeting & Ellie will call her.

- Alewife's Farm Barn Raising and fundraising

Board discussed this and said there were better uses of our efforts. Of immediate concern is the need to rehab Sybil's van. Tony has already purchased materials.

To address the concern for more projects in Cape, Kathy has discussed this with Mike McGovern and will get us a list of options. Also, the Arboretum Director at Ft. Williams has projects we can do as a club.

- Seed \$ for Fundraisers

Board decided there was no need for this and to continue business as usual: present a budget to the Board to be approved and submit bills to Nancy for payment as they come up.

- Meeting to update the By-laws. Ellie will organize a committee to review and update these.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellie Speh

Next Board Meeting: April 9th (Ellie will not be here April 2nd)