

**Rotary Club of Portland Maine  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
February 15, 2019 1:30-2:30pm  
Clarion Hotel**

**Board Members Present:** John Curran, President, Amy Chipman, 1st VP, Ellen Niewoehner, 2nd VP, Gracie Johnston, Bruce Moore, Secretary, Scott Blakeslee, Treasurer, David Small, Patty Erickson, Don Zillman, IPP, Elise Hodgkin, Administrative Coordinator, David Putnam, Sgt-at-Arms

Guests: Jan Chapman, John Thompson, Peter Goffin, Bob Martin

**Absent:** Nan Heald, Erik Greven

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the January 18, 2019 meeting were approved as is.

**Business:** The meeting was called to order at 1:35 pm and a quorum was established.

The first item discussed was concerning the forming of an Interact Club at Baxter Academy. Jan Chapman, Chair of Youth Services Committee and John Thompson led the discussion. John explained RI's requirements to form an Interact Club. John Thompson has initiated contact with Baxter Academy about forming an Interact Club and has offered to serve as liaison to Portland Rotary Club. David Small made a motion seconded by Gracie Johnston to start an Interact Club at Baxter Academy. The motion passed unanimously.

Results of Recent Fundraisers:

The Sweetheart Auction raised \$3299.

Members donated \$505. toward our commitment to provide up to \$750. for a new piano for the Deering HS chorus.

The dinner for furloughed federal workers raised more funds than were needed. It was decided to explore ways to use the additional funds.

Membership:

It was noted that some members were paying their dues but are not attending meetings.

**Other Business:**

Peter Goffin spoke about an AED, Automated External Defibrillator, project. He said we might be able to get a District grant but would need another Club to participate. He offered to talk with clinical leaders at local hospitals to learn more about them and report back to the Board. The Board agreed.

Bob Martin had sent the Board guidelines and forms for charitable organizations to apply for funds from our Club. Members expressed appreciation for the work Bob had done and suggested we also add them to speaker guidelines. After discussion, it was agreed to strike the last two sentences of the second paragraph from the guidelines.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce V. Moore, Secretary