ROTARY CLUB OF PORTLAND, ME **Board of Directors Meeting**

November 15, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 1:44 p.m.

Present: John Marr, President; Kris Rosado, 1st VP; Cyrus Hagge, IPP; Scott Blakeslee, Treas.; Loretta Rowe, Sec.; Mike Fortunato, Sgt-at-arms; Toby Cook, Dir.; Eric Lusk, Dir.; Charlie Frair, Dir; and Elise Hodgkin, Administrative Coordinator

Absent: Bowen Depke, 2nd VP; Stevan Stromsky, Dir.

Guests: None

QUORUM WAS ESTABLISHED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the August 23, 2013 - moved and approved The minutes of the September 20, 2013 - moved and approved The minutes of the October 11, 2013 - moved and approved The October 18, 2013 meeting was cancelled

FINANCIAL REPORT

Scott Blakeslee, Treasurer reviewed the financial reports.

BUSINESS:

- New Membership Applications (approved by email) Rusty Atwood, Becky Wright and Don Zillman
- Resignations None
- Leaves of Absence Phil Everett extended 10/11/13-1/10/14 approved Mark Millar - 10/25/13-5/02/14 - approved
- The ABC's of Rotary booklets At a cost of \$3.75 from Rotary International It was recommended that we include them for each new member coming into Portland Rotary in their "New Member Kits" it was moved and approved
- Meal costs it was recommended that we increase the cost of our meals to \$15.00 effective 1/3/14 due to the venues increasing their costs to us - it was moved and approved - President John will announce the change at the 12/6/13 regular meeting
- A sub-committee has been formed to research other venues due to numerous black-out dates and parking changes that will be coming in the 2014-15 year at the Holiday Inn: President John, Mike Fortunato and Loretta Rowe
- A motion was made to approve the purchase of an external hard drive system to store the club's archived files and videos up to a cost of \$200 - PP Cyrus and 2nd VP Bowen will coordinate their efforts.
- A verbal request from President John (issued through Glenn Nerbak) requesting a grant to Portland High School for \$1560 that will be used as payment for high-school transcription and validation for twelve refugee students at Portland High School, who cannot afford to pay for this service. Until this school year, PHS covered this cost, but due to cuts can no longer afford to do so. The students will not be allowed to graduate without having their transcripts validated by an outside organization. The organization charges \$130 per transcript. Loretta to contact Glenn to request be submitted on a formal request document and returned to her for submission to the appropriate committee(s) for consideration.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be held on December 20, 2013 at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Liretta C. Rowe Loretta C. Rowe, Secretary Rotary Club of Portland, ME

NOTE: These minutes to be approved/amended by the Board at the Board meeting of December 20, 2013.

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