

Rotary Club of Portland
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2025, at 1:30 PM

Board members in attendance: President - Patty Byers, Vice President – Justin Lamontagne, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President - Dick Hall, Sgt-at-Arms - Jake Bourdeau, Secretary - Tom Nickerson, Director 23-25 - David Ertz, Zach Newell, and Directors 24-26 – Art Howe.

Absent: President-Elect - John Thompson, Director 23-25 Maggie McGauley, and Director 24-26 Nannette Ranger-Duncanson.

Guests: Incoming Board Member Bill Milliken.

Regular Meeting: President - Patty Byers, with quorum present, called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM. Patty opened the meeting thanking the retiring Board members and Officers: Tom Nickerson, David Ertz, and Maggie McGauley, and Zach Newell (returning as Sargent at Arms) and Jake Bourdeau (returning as Vice President).

Minutes: Tom Nickerson reported that the April Minutes were approved by email.

New Member Update: Patty Byers reported that Ian Nagle was approved by email and inducted on June 6th.

Treasurer Report: Dick Hall presented an updated report and provided year end projections. The operating account balance sheet and cash flow remain strong, but the treasurer is projecting a slight deficit for the year (\$2,095). The new operating budget will need to be voted on in July board meeting.

Dick Hall also pointed out the Club is continuing to lose money on meals; we are not consistently meeting our minimum guarantee of 25. The low meal count is also reflective of the larger concern of meeting participation. The board had preliminary discussions on meal options, including researching other venues. The new board will need to be mindful of the potential financial impact of not meeting our meal guarantee.

The Charitable Account balance sheet remains strong. The community service projects are within budget. The Treasurer will move the annual allocation from Endowment. We are projecting excess cash at year end to be \$33,000.

25-26 Dues Report: There are 50 members between the Club and Satellite Club who have not yet paid their dues for next year. Of the 50, 9 members are considered high risk and 19 are considered low risk. Board members will follow up with each member. The Board will be meeting again before the end of June to update the RI roster and determine if any members need to be terminated for non-payment.

Sunrise Satellite Club Status: Art Howe reported that the Club will decide its future status on June 18th. The Sunrise Club will also discuss donating \$4,000 to help finish the Rotary library in the Philippines. An update will be provided at the next Board meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Patty Byers presented a request from the South Portland-Cape Elizabeth Club for a club donation to support the South Portland Food Cupboard. The board approved a \$5,000 contribution. Dick Hall made the motion; Patty Byers seconded; the members approved unanimously.

Patty Byers reviewed the plan to consider corporate membership that she outlined during the meeting. There was wide support for this initiative which will be discussed further by the next board.

Next Board Meeting: The next board meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2025, at 1:30 PM at the Elks Lodge.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM. (Tom Nickerson moved the question; Jake Bourdeau seconded; motion passed unanimously.)

Minutes submitted by: Tom Nickerson, Secretary

Approved by: Patty Byers, President