

Rotary Club of Portland
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
May 31, 2024 at 2:00 PM

Board members in attendance:

Dick Hall – President and Treasurer, Patty Byers – President Elect, John Thompson – Vice President, Tom Nickerson – Secretary, Zach Newell – Director and Ben Millick – Director.

Absent: Bruce Jones – Immediate Past President, Jake Bourdeau - Sgt-At-Arms, Quinn Slayton – Director, David Ertz – Director, Maggie McGauley – Director

Guests: Nannette Ranger-Duncanson, Director 2025-2026

Regular Meeting

President Dick Hall, with a quorum present, called the meeting to order at 1:30PM.

Approval of Minutes:

President Dick Hall reported that the Minutes of the April 30, 2024 board meeting were approved by email and posted to the website.

Treasurer's Report:

Dick Hall (Club Treasurer) reported that the May Treasurer report was sent by email. The draft budget for 2024-2025 has also been distributed for comment for the incoming President to consider. The draft 24-25 budget is similar to this year and includes a focus on Dominican Republic Hearing Clinic project. The 24-25 Board will need to approve this budget.

The Treasurer reported that we may have up to 10 members resign and that has been accounted for in the revenue assumptions for next year's budget. Final roster decisions will be made at the June Board meeting.

One member, Katie Brown, needs to be removed from membership effective June 30, 2024. Tom Nickerson moved the approval to remove effective June 30, 2024; Zach Newell seconded; the motion was approved.

The club's operating fund remains in good shape; however, we need to consider transferring \$3,000 in funds from the operating account to the charitable fund to cover expected expenses. Tom Nickerson moved the question to approve the transfer of \$3,000. Patty Byers seconded; the motion was approved.

The Treasurer report was accepted as distributed. (Zach Newell moved, John Thompson seconded; the motion was approved)

New Member Approvals:

Dick Hall reported that there are no applications to approve at this time. He reported that Portland Mayor Mark Dion is in the process of submitting an application.

International Long-term Youth Exchange:

Zach Newell reported that his daughter has been approved for Japan. Our student will be from Spain. One host family has been approved and we are working on finding two additional families. We have interest by one additional family member at this time.

International Service Grant Requests:

Dick Hall reported that \$19,200 has been raised to date toward our goal of \$51,000.

Community Service Project updates:

Dick Hall reported that the name plates for the Andrew Square benches have been installed. The Rotary plaque for the Milestone donation will be dropped off and installed shortly.

Fundraising Projects:

John Thompson and Zach Newell led a discussion of the Lobstah Raffle project. The project is go, but they still need to finalize pricing and logistics. The goal to have a soft launch over July 4th weekend and be ready for the peak Cruise season in September and October.

Other Business: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by President Dick Hall at 2:45 PM. The next board meeting will be on June 21, 2024 at 1:30 PM at the IHC.

Minutes submitted by: Tom Nickerson, Secretary

Approved by: Dick Hall, President