Westbrook-Gorham Rotary

Board Meeting Minutes: March 9, 2021

Present: President Kathi Perkins, Secretary Christine Johnson, Sergeant-at-Arms Michael Fandell, Treasurer Aaron Paiton, Vocational Chair Judith Reidman, Interact & Club Protection Dave Rolfe, Foundation Chair Steve Rand

Absent: PE Andy Turcotte Quorum present? Yes Others Present: None

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 10:21AM by Kathi Perkins
- Secretary's Report: Feb 9, 2021 meeting minutes were updated & approved. They will be posted on our website.
- Treasurer's Report: New checks have arrived and bills should now all be paid and up to date. Still waiting on info from Chalmers for the Bond Aaron has followed up and hopes to hear soon. Aaron will reach out to Mike Foley to determine best process to bill for dues. We discussed moving money into CDs of varying terms to try to earn a bit more interest on our funds on deposit at TD Bank. Aaron will investigate options and share with the board for final decision.

Committee Reports

- *House Project:* Declaration Painter has received check. That should close out bills for last house. West Pleasant Contract with RW Eaton & Assoc has been signed for survey and topographical work.
- Golf: One outstanding hole sponsor. Check may have been misplaced (never cashed). Won't pursue.
- *Trees*: Everyone should now be paid, but Karaboo Ribbons tells us that they still have not received a check that was mailed on 2/9/21. They reached out to Andy who asked them to confirm mailing address. Christine will follow up and ask them if they want CC payment.

Unfinished Business

- Bill Chadwick Memorial GHS Interact Scholarship: Discussed process, criteria, and amount. Steve suggested \$1000 total. Board approved. Process: Club Interact liaison, in consultation with the Interact Faculty Advisor, will recommend name(s) for one or two scholarships from Interact Club membership. No application required from students. We will also offer \$1000 to Westbrook Interact for similar scholarship(s). WHS scholarship will not be a "named" scholarship.
- Nelson Memorial: Check for \$150 was mailed to Scarborough Food Pantry.
- Paul Emery Memorial: This item was tabled four years ago. We had collected \$1030 from members and were looking for a project at MPTC to use that along with some club funds. Maybe a district grant. Past minutes show no vote to pay MPTC at any subsequent point. Aaron will research to confirm not paid. Kathi has been in touch with MPTC to determine best use of these funds.
- Guatemala Global Grant: Tony has heard back from Brenda Valdez of Las Amates club. Covid and weather/hurricanes have been huge challenges, but they appear to now be back on track. Brenda is working on the report for RI.

New Business

- Henry Saunders Memorial: Board voted to make a \$500 memorial donation to TRF targeted to Peace Center initiative. Christine will go on line with charities debit card and have email sent to Kathi. Kathi will write a letter to family including this TRF email.
- *Bill Gowen Memorial*: Board voted to send a \$150 Donation in his honor to the Kora Shrine Temple Foundation in Lewiston. Christine sent address to Aaron to write the check.
- *Visioning*: Kathi would like to discuss and plan for Club Visioning once we can meet in person again. Would like to discuss when Andy is available to join the board meeting. Dave has records from our last visioning (follow up summary of the exercise).

For Future Meetings

- Community Needs Assessments for Westbrook and Gorham?
- Strategic Plan?
- New Membership Categories and Membership Ideas (postponed until we are back to in-person meetings per minutes of 2-9-2021)

Other business: None Meeting adjourned following completion of business at 11:21 AM. Minutes submitted by Christine Johnson Club Secretary Next Board meeting April 13, 2021 at 10:15AM via Zoom.