

# Westbrook-Gorham Rotary

## Board Meeting Minutes: May 11, 2021

*Present:* President Kathi Perkins, PE Andy Turcotte, Secretary Christine Johnson, Treasurer Aaron Paiton, Vocational Chair Judith Reidman, Interact & Club Protection Dave Rolfe, Foundation Chair Steve Rand,  
*Absent:* Sergeant-at-Arms Michael Fandell *Quorum present?* Yes *Others Present:* None

### Proceedings:

- *Meeting called to order* at 10:15 AM by Kathi Perkins
- *Secretary's Report:* April 20, 2021 meeting minutes were approved and will be posted on our website.
- *Treasurer's Report:* After Aaron checks the PO box, he will send reminder to those who have not paid, including past due for active members. He has reached out to an accountant who will be able to fit us in for an audit in July time frame.

### Committee Reports

- *House:* Steve has reached out to Todd Fields, Judith has spoken to him. Trying to find out if Hillside Lumber offers design services, but think they may not. We are suggesting that the duplex include garages for better salability. Based on current construction costs, we may need to increase our line of credit to finish the new house. We need to establish a design to determine the budget.

### Unfinished Business

- *Teacher Recognition:* Christine proposed that we send a Rotary thank you note to all staff members at WRVC (estimated 28) along with a gift card to a local breakfast/coffee shop. Christine proposed \$10, Steve proposed \$20. Kathi suggested we purchase from places at their locations in Westbrook and Gorham. Moved \$20, seconded and approved. Christine will make the purchases.
- *Sea Bag Fundraiser:* Kathi provided a summary of the meeting with Sea Bag rep. Min purchase of 25 bags is required, up front or after we sell them. Min price we can sell at is \$200 for 14" bag, lower price for "bucket bag". Our profit will depend upon final discount and artwork. We purchase at 30-40% discount depending upon quantity and artwork. Kathi suggested that bag primary artwork be something Maine/Presumpscot for wider appeal beyond club and local community. Rotary logo inside and/or a tag inside with a brief description of our organization. Several ideas were discussed about student art vs professional art and the potential of making this a targeted fundraiser for specific organization(s) or to support a proposed District Grant project. Board agreed to move forward and explore this idea further with the hope of offering the bags sometime over the summer if the plan can come together. Kathi will follow up with Crystal and the Sea Bags rep with additional questions raised during the meeting.
- *In-Person Meetings:* Next week at Riverbank Park and June 22 at Great Falls school. We'll plan to have pizza, water and dessert on May 18. Kathi has approached WRVC about meeting there over the summer, but has not heard back yet. In-person will likely still include a "hybrid" option for folks to continue via Zoom, if they prefer that, while others meet in person.
- *Bruce Dyer recognition:* He will be retiring by the end of September. Kathi asked us to think about what we'd like to do to honor/recognize him so we can hold a vote at a future board meeting.

### New Business

- *New Member:* Marta Haydim has submitted her application. Kathi asked for approval of the board pending the required notification to club members and comment period. It was moved, seconded and approved to accept Marta as a member pending member comment period.
- *District Conference Silent Auction Item:* Motion was made to purchase beer & associated merch for the auction valued at least \$100 (\$125 max) from – Mast Landing, YES Brewing, Lone Pine & Sebago Brewing). Board approved. Kathi will make the purchases.
- *District Grant:* Public health proposal for Westbrook Community Clinic from Andy will be sent to all board members for review and to vote on moving forward with funding.

Other business: Annual WRVC scholarships. We have 6 scholarship applications and 5 toolship applications in hand. Pat & Cliff cannot do review and selection this year. Kathi has contacted Judith about selection process and they will follow up with WRVC to confirm this is all the requests that were received.

Meeting adjourned following completion of business at 11:30 AM.  
Minutes submitted by Christine Johnson Club Secretary  
Next Board meeting June 8, 2021 at 10:15AM via Zoom.