

## Westbrook-Gorham Rotary

(Board Planning Meeting Minutes: October 3, 2017)

(Prior to our regular meeting at the Westbrook Regional Vocational Center)

### Board Members:

*Present:* Treasurer Bill Gowen, Interact & Club Protection Dave Rolfe, Club Service Christine, Johnson, PE & Community Service Kate Wight, Srgt at Arms Carlo Giraulo, Rotary Foundation Steve Rand

*Absent:* Pres Bill Chadwick, Past Pres Jason Beaver, Secretary Michael Foley, VP Deb Shangraw

*Quorum present?* Yes

*Others Present:* None

### Proceedings:

- *Meeting called to order at 10:35AM by PE Kate Wight*
- *Secretary's Report:* (Last month's minutes) There were no objections to the report.
- *Treasurer's Report:* Bill presented updated financials for the charities account. We reviewed details from the Golf Tournament. Current Net is about \$7000 with projected additional income around \$1000-\$1500. Final numbers will be presented when available.

### Announcements

- None

### Committee Reports

- *Foundation:* Steve's goal is to encourage a couple of additional folks to sign up for Rotary Direct. We now have 11 members signed up and he would like to expand that to at least 13. We are currently on track to our annual goal for both annual fund and polio plus.
- *Vocational Service:* No report since Judith was unable to attend.
- *Interact/Youth Service – Rotary UN Day deadline is approaching.* Both Westbrook and Gorham have students going and we have paid our agreed contribution. Bruce Dyer has asked for ideas on school day projects his kids can get involved with. Kate suggested painting the Christmas Tree trailer as a joint project between WHS Interact and our Rotary Club. We will discuss further at club assembly to generate ideas.
- *Youth Services/Protection:* Dave is working on the annual form that must be signed by the President. Dave reminded us of annual training. PowerPoint is on line at District website and on our website. We will find some time to review with members, possibly at our December Club Assembly. A reminder and link will be included in an upcoming Scribbler.
- *International Service:* No report and Bill Chadwick was unable to attend.
- *Community Service:* CLYNK was successful this last quarter, bringing in over \$110. Exact amount will be shared once check is received. Locker Project continues twice a month at WHS. Steve suggests that we expand our partnership with Kiwanis to provide one person from each club at each distribution. Encouraging all members to serve on at least one date, then assess continued participation at the end of the school year. Discussed becoming engaged in existing reading programs in Westbrook Schools through either United Way or Kiwanis. We agreed to put this on hold and focus on restarting our Rotary signature reading program in Gorham. If enough interest is expressed among members, we can consider expanding into Westbrook utilizing these existing programs.

### Old Business

- **Golf:** Still need to finalize numbers and send out Thank You letters. Steve and Ethan will work on that. Steve wants to establish a date for next tournament so we have that date to share in correspondence. He is shooting for September 18, 2018 and will contact GCC to lock in the date.

### New Business

- **Trees:** Need trailer painted, and the suggestion is to make it festive (possibly red and white stripes). Targeting Saturday Nov 4 to paint and possibly include WHS Interact. Kate would like the following additions to make the sale area more festive: Music to play while we are open (Carlo has speakers he can loan us), Candy canes to hand out, create a hashtag we can use, Square so we can take credit cards, Santa on one or two weekends.
- **One book/One child at the Great Falls Elementary School.** Moved by Kate, seconded by Steve, approved to send them \$200 to support this project again this year.