

**ROTARY CLUB OF SWARTHMORE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 14TH, 2023**

Present: Heather Saunders, Jane Billings, Perri Evanson, Carr Everbach, Dave Firm, Betty Ann Flynn, Patrick Gunnin, Bill Hale, Hillard Pouncy, Ken Wright, Jeannine Osayande, George Whitfield, Brian Casey, Anne Hansen, and Josh Twersky

Excused: Kathryn Jones, Barbara Whitaker-Shimko, and Greg Brown

Guests: None

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by Heather Saunders, Club President.

1. **Treasurer's Report:** As of 01/31/2023, the balance in checking was 25,521. The financial report was accepted by the Board as presented.
2. **President's Report** – President heather reviewed the grants that the Board had approved thus far in her presidential year. The grants are as follows:
 1. First Place Swarthmore 1,0000.00
 2. Chester Children's Chorus 1,000.00
 3. Delaware County Literacy Council 1000.00
 4. Good Scout Award 1500.00

This totals 4500.00 out of a 15,000.00 allocation for the Trust. The balance of the allocation is 10,500.00 to be used between now and the end of June.

Grants Committee - Betty Ann, then presented requests from the approved by the:

1. Ruth Bennett Farm Produce Boxes requested 2500.00 – **Approved**
2. Chester Rotary Club Global Grant to help a remote village in Liberia in an Economic Development Project to include aqua-farming and fertilizing. The amount requested was 8000.00. 5000.00 would come from this year's allocation with the remainder coming from a request to the Trust. **Approved.**

C-TEP – The 6 students in cohort one will graduate in July with a ceremony in August. Cohort two has twelve students. Recruitment for cohort three will run from May through June with classes beginning in August. There has been conversation with the Board of Delaware County Community College to assume the project into their existing structure.

RI Foundation – reporting for Barbara, Heather state that forty-eight members of the club have contributed to the Foundation for this Rotary year. Seventeen members have not contributed. Barbara would like time at a regular club meeting to speaking about giving to the RI Foundation.

Brian Casey rep. ed that he was looking into changing the club from Pay-Pal to Team Merchant. The latter company may be less expensive.

World of Work – Josh confirmed that the date is May 19th, 2023.

David Firn reported that club members participated in the Loaves and Fishes project, and it was an enjoyable time. There maybe another date in April for club members to participate.

RAP at PAC- Ken reported that for the initial evening, thirty people attended.

Youth Engagement - Jane reported there may be two opportunities to participate in projects at SRS on Earth Day.

Meeting adjourned at 5:51 pm.

The next meeting is Tuesday, March 14th, 2023

Respectfully Submitted
George Whitfield, Secretary