

ROTARY CLUB OF SWARTHMORE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MAY 9TH, 2023

Present: Heather Saunders, George Whitfield, Jane Billings, Carr Everbach, Barbara Whitaker-Shimko, Hillard Pouncy, Jeannine Osayande, Betty Ann Flynn, David Firn Greg Brown, Patrick Gunnin, Josh Twersky, Ken Wright, and Perri Evanson,

Excused: Kathryn Jones, and Anne Hansen

The meeting was called to order by Heather Saunders, President at 4:38 P.M.

President's Report:

1. Update on CTEP- Kathryn wants to present on June 13th or next Board meeting. There will be a presentation to the club on May 23rd, 2023.
2. Lori's Installation Dinner will be held on Thursday evening, July 6th, 2023, at The Inn at Swarthmore.
3. A recommendation was sent for a Peace Scholar from Yemen. He is a physician working for the International Red Cross. He is interested in the Public Health program at the Peace Center at UNC/Duke. There was a Zoom meeting with Dr. Mohamed Fakhry.

Grants Committee: There was a request from the Ruth L. Bennett Farm for \$2,500.00. After discussion, it was determined that the requesting organization had received funding in this Rotary year, therefore, it was suggested to let the applicant know that they would have to wait until the next Rotary year to request an additional grant.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from April 11th, 2023, will be forwarded to the Board for an electronic vote after today's meeting by President Heather.

Treasurer's Report: Patrick reported that as of April 30th, the balance in all accounts was \$33,4483. Of that amount, \$3,700.00 is from Happy Dollars.

Membership: The Board bid farewell to Patrick Gunnin who will be resigning from the club due to relocating in retirement.

Club Service Committee: David reported the following:

1. To aid the organization Caring for Friends, David would like to complete 250 care bags during a regular club meeting.
2. Ken reported the Fun Fair Committee is two-thirds of the way identifying leadership roles. There is a 50% chance that the fair will happen in Rotary year 2023-24.
3. Ken also reminded the Board of the RAP @ PAC, Friday, May 19th.

International Service: No report

Youth Engagement Committee: Jeannine reported that she has met with President elect Lori where they discussed possibilities for next year. Jeannine reviewed the committee's progress for the year and stated that there may be a collaboration between SRS and the Heinze Wildlife Refuge next year.

Speakers: Hillard reported reiterated that Kathryn Jones would be reporting to the club about CTEP on May 27th. There are some holes in the schedule for June, but it is set until the end of this Rotary year.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43.

Respectfully submitted,

George Whitfield, Secretary