

ROTARY CLUB OF SWARTHMORE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 15th, 2024

Present: Lori Markusfeld, George Whitfield, Jane Billings, Carr Everbach, Hillard Pouncy, Joe Lesniak, David Firn, Brian Casey, Sarah Pita, Elizabeth Church, Jeannine Osayande, Ken Wright, and Ann Hansen

Excused: Maria Zissimos, Heather Saunders, and Josh Twersky

The meeting was called to order by Lori Markusfeld, President at 4:33 P.M.

Secretary's Report: Minutes for April were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Joe reported as of 05/15/2024 the balance of all accounts is \$29,101.12. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Committee Reports:

Program – Hillard reported that the regular weekly meeting of the club on June 13th will be held at 7:30 A.M. in the Inn at Swarthmore. The installation of officers be a lunch meeting on June 27th and there is one slot for a speaker on June 20th that remains to be filled.

Grants – No report

International Service Sarah reported she met with the District's Committee on Ukraine, which meets every week. The committee is looking for a bricks and mortar" project to have in Ukraine.

Membership: Carr announced that new member Rose Mary Fox will be the club's Public Image Chairperson. There is a Fireside Chat scheduled for 05/16/2024 with Mary Laxton. Carr also mentioned a membership inquiry form Curt Gardner.

For the Fun Fair, Carr solicited members of the Board to help put the Fun Fair insert into the Swarthmorean.

Rotary Foundation: Elizabeth reported she is sending thank notes to contributors. Seventeen members have not contributed.

Club Service Committee: David reported the Yale Rd. clean-up was successful. There will be an opportunity to volunteer at Loaves and Fishes on June 21st. Hillard asked if there could be projects held during the regular club meeting time?

President's report: No report

Rotary Arts Conversations – Ken reviewed with the Board this year's RAC activities. He has collected \$750.00 in fees from sponsors and recommends that the program continues through the 2024-2025 Rotary year. Carr suggested that the videos of the events be aired.

Youth Engagement Committee: Jeannine reported due to schedules, she was unable to secure volunteers from SRS for the Fun Fair. Jane reported that Mark Bernesky will be connected to Strath Haven High School through the revived Interact Club and suggested that the World of Work with SRS is adequate.

PR – no report.

Old Business – The club is donating 900.00 to the Gundaker Foundation.

New Business – It was announced that the Installation Lunch is free to members and spouses/partners. It was suggested that the Swarthmore Rotary Charitable Trust could solicit contributions annually.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40.

Respectfully submitted,

George Whitfield, Secretary