

Pawtuxet Valley Rotary Club Board Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2017

- Call to Order:** Tarah Warner @ 1800
- Welcome:** Tarah Warner @ 1854
- “Catch-Up” Question:** Craig Levis drew make up your own question. Asked roundtable.
- Updates:** Tarah Warner wished to discuss use of credit cards in the club. Currently only one card, issued in name of past president Zachary Whittenberger. Craig Levis stated he did not need a card in his name. Maria Shank will obtain a card in her name. Tarah Warner will receive a card in her name. Purchases made outside of the credit card process will continue to be reimbursed by the club by submission of receipt to Maria Shank. Tarah Warner wished to discuss the club members who need to be reimbursed for expenses incurred during the 34th Annual Ben Boyle Golf Classic. \$115.75 to Maria Shank. \$485.00 to Bob Bjorklund. \$57.91 to Tarah Warner. Tarah Warner wished to remind board members that all dues need to be paid by end of the month. Maria Shank will create a report for next board and business meeting outlining members who are still outstanding. Payment must be issued to Rotary International by 7/31/17. Tarah Warner wished to discuss the previously approved vote to bring Foundation account out of dormancy. Maria Shank will make a deposit from the club account into the foundation account to re-activate. Tarah Warner explained all 3 libraries who were approached for the Little Library Book Box project are on-board and excited for the grant. They will provide Tarah Warner with letters are required for the grant. Tarah Warner explained she will have a presentation at an upcoming meeting to re-educate club members on the new auditing and cash flow processes. Tarah Warner suggested feasibility of increasing the cost per meal paid by members from \$11 to some higher number to account for increase of expenses. Zachary Whittenberger and Craig Levis disagreed on any mention of changing rates without analytic metrics from previous year’s expense report. Tarah Warner will generate necessary data to confirm how much club would be short based on current cost of meal, expenses of meals, and overall budget. Tarah Warner suggested a brainstorm on creation of membership tiers or levels to incentivize new members to stay or make it easier to induct recruits. Discussed corporate membership, where dues are not paid by individuals but by companies. The member would not be on roster reported to Rotary International but still collecting funds to the club. Community partnerships or non-profit, where individual is able to join on a reduced rate if they are employed or participating with a club community partner or sponsor. Speaker tier, where individual pays reduced rate which guarantees them a spot on club calendar to be a speaker and covers cost of their meal for a certain number of meetings. First year member, where club offers full benefits of membership at a

reduced rate for a certain period of time. Family rates, where membership is discounted if multiple people of same household are members and meetings are held at family/children friendly locations such as Chuck-E-Cheese. Junior rates, where discount is offered for people above age of 18 but under 30. Friends of Rotary, where they pay for own meals, are unable to vote, but can join in service projects and still be active with club. All suggestions were subject to review and vote by the club, with deference to the club's bi-laws and rules established by Rotary International.

Adjourned:

Tarah Warner and seconded by Zachary Whittenberger @ 1905