

Rotary Club of Swarthmore

Board Meeting

June 24, 2026

Board members in attendance: Jane Billings, Brian Casey, Rosemary Fox, Charlie Pell, Hillard Pouncy, George Whitfield.

Board members not in attendance: Elizabeth Church, Carr Everbach, Joe Lesniak, Lisa O'Mahony, Josh Twersky, Victoria Shelter, Earl Varney, Ken Wright, Maria Zissimos

Incoming Board members in attendance: Shaun Eyring, Heather Saunders, Frances Sheehan

No official action taken due to lack of a quorum.

Minutes (April and May)

Deferred to future meeting.

Financial Report

There was general discussion of the upcoming budget, including the amount available for grants and community service projects.

Committee Reports

Grants

Frances reported that the Delaware County Tobacco and Vape-Free Coalition has requested an update on their grant request for \$500, which was submitted in November of 2025. The Grants Committee will review the request again.

Rotary Arts Conversations

The next Rotary Arts Conversation will be held on Sunday, September 20 at 4 p.m.

Programs

Programming is almost filled for the summer. Hillard reminded Board members to check with him before promising a date to future speakers.

Membership

Jane reported that we are currently at 57 members.

Rotary Foundation

Jane reported that Elizabeth is still working towards 100% participation; the Rotary year ends on June 30.

Service Projects

Heather and Shaun reported that the club will be filling backpacks for Teachers Teammates at the meeting on Thursday, September 24. The club will fund \$1,000 of the project and they have applied to the Gundaker Foundation to match with another \$1,000. This will allow the completion of 80 backpacks.

They also reported that they spoke with Pastor Chris from Loaves and Fishes about the most effective way for the club to assist in their work.

Shaun noted that she hopes to schedule four Open Table events during the year.

Interact/Youth Services

Jane reminded the Board that the Interactors who spoke to the club in May noted that hope to continue their work with the Make-A-Wish Foundation, and are looking for an international project. They very much enjoyed the District's "Rise Against Hunger" project.

Publicity

Rosemary reported that her goal for the upcoming year will be continued social media posts and a monthly press release in the Swarthmorean.

Respectfully submitted by AI and Club Secretary Charlie Pell