

MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation

AGENDA Board of Trustees Meeting AGENDA

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Monday July 28, 2025 7 PM

Welcome: **Chair** **Jeff Thompson**

Roll Call of Directors present:

N	5M01 Deb Nisbit	Y	5M07 Lindsay Vokaty
Y	5M01 Greg Larson	N	5M07 Mark Landwehr
Y	5M02 Chuck Toltzman	N	5M08 Bob Thompson
N	5M02 Debbie Trebiatowski	Y	5M08 Jeff Thompson Chair
N	5M03 Patty Peterson	Y	5M09 Cora Hohnstadt
N	5M03 Tammy Horner	_____	5M09 OPEN
Y	5M04 Sue Krumrey	N	5M10 Jessica Minske
Y	5M04 Merlin Athmann	Y	5M10 Tom O'Brien Treasurer
Y	5M05 Colleen Patterson Secretary	Y	5M11 Jodi Sorenson
Y	5M05 Gary Stevens Vice Chair	Y	5M11 Katie Damm
N	5M06 Judy Zewers	N	Eric Glenz Legal Counsel
N	5M06 Tracey Braaten	Y	Susan Krumrey DG Liaison

Correspondence: **Secretary** **Colleen Patterson** **No correspondence to report.**

Additions or Corrections to Agenda: **No additions or corrections.**

Consent Agenda: Tom O'Brien

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1. Confirm the following matching grants that have been approved by email:

See attachment sent with meeting materials

Date	Club	District	Family	Amount	Our Yearly Cumulative	Check #
04/27/25	Austin Morning Lions Club	5M1	Scarbeck	500	7,500	1188
05/19/25	Deer Creek Lions Club	5M9	Koenen	250	7,750	1190
06/14/25	Jordaness Lions Club	5M2	Cox	500	8,250	1192
06/19/25	Veseli Area Lions Clug	5M2	Bongers	500	8,750	1194
06/23/25	Cokato Dassel Lions Club	5M7	Hendrickson	500	9,250	1196

Approval of Agenda: **Motion by:** **CHUCK TOLTZMAN** **2nd by:** **MERLIN** **PASSED 100%**

Secretary Report: **Motion by:** **KATIE DAMM** **2nd by:** **TOM O** **PASSED 100%**

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Finance Committee Report

Tom O'Brien, Chair

- a. Recommendation to approve Finance Committee Report from 07-22-2025

Motion by: GREG LARSEN

2nd by: MERLIN

PASSED 100%

- b. Recommendation to approve donation to University of Minnesota, based on balance provided by Treasurer.

Amount Provided was \$30,0000

Motion by: GARY STEVENS

2nd by: LINDSAY V.

PASSED 100%

Reports:

1. Welcome to New Trustees

Jeff Thompson

- a. Orientation Material—**Adjustments can be made throughout the year.**

- b. Name Tags, Shirts, etc.—**Colleen will send separate email to order name tags & shirts.**

2. Election of Officers

Jeff Thompson

- a. Chair Gary Stevens

- b. Vice Chair Merlin Athmann

- c. Secretary Colleen Patterson

- d. Treasurer Tom O'Brien

Last year on board

Motion by: COLLEEN

2nd by: CORA

PASSED 100%

3. Hamel Rodeo

Gary Stevens

- a. **30 volunteers came out; all 5 performances were sold out**

- b. **results will be given at the September 24 Volunteer appreciation dinner.**

- c. **Over 19,000 showed up to support; Sponsors are 116 and 393 contestants come from all over for this event.**

- d. **Money paid out to winners is \$138,000 and \$3.5 million is given to charitable organizations.**

- e. **ONLY purchase tickets from hamelrodeo.org. Many scam sites are out there, be aware. Continue to support & promote.**

4. MD5M Silent Auction

Jeff Thompson

- a. **Silent auction and live auction are two separate activities.**

- b. **Rotates to a different foundation each year.**

- c. **Over \$1,000 raised for 2 Lego cars and matched by the buyers company. They in turn donated the cars back to the patient, Romain, who built them.**

5. Believe Award

Colleen Patterson

- a. Inventory—**has been replenished**

- b. Ordering Process—**forms included in orientation material and available on web site.**

- c. New Local vendor for name plates—**will research and report at next meeting.**

6. Family Needs Matching Grant Program

a. **NOTES: Can family be \$ matched if club matches.**

b. **Nothing in by-laws and should be looked at.**

c. **1 match per year.**

7. Swag (Pins, Golf Balls, etc) Colleen Patterson

a. **Inventory-spreadsheet of what inventory is on hand is available on website.**

b. **New Vendor-Alta Honors; altahonors.com**

c. **Process for ordering—Sumit budget request for event swag on as needed basis.**

8. University of Minnesota Gary Stevens

a. **Tour -Gary will work with Emma Thompson**

9. Date/location for next (October?) meeting and new trustee indoctrination

a. **Late September and early October.**

Old Business:

1. Camp KACE-

a. **Held in Detroit Lakes and good camp this year.**

2. Camp Knutson-

a. **Held in Cross Lake. It is fully funded from other sources but we can maintain a relationship and promote.**

New Business:

1. Committee structure Jeff Thompson

a. **Updates or additions to the list**

Finance Committee	Public Relations	Fundraising	Family Needs
Chuck Toltzman, Chair	Katie Damm, Facebook		
Cora Hohnstadt, Vice Chair	Colleen Patterson, Website		
Colleen Patterson, Secretary	Mark Landwehr		
Tom O'Brien, Treasurer (non-voting member)	Tracy Braaten		
Jeff Thompson			
Gary Stevens			

2. MISC. Gary Stevens

a. **KS95 Radiothon December 12, 2025**

b. **Event held at Mall of America Rotunda; Supports Gillette's & Masonic Hospital's.**

c. **They have requested we come out again to help. Let Gary know where you would like to help.**

3. U of M--Concerns about cutbacks and donations. Garden Party will not be held this year. In the past it was held for donors giving \$50,000 or more. Not this year.

4. We are close to having donated a total 1 Million dollars to the University Hospitals. We need \$173,450 to meet that goals. Discussion about promoting to reach that goal this fiscal year.

Trustee Reports: (What's been happening, what's going to happen)

5M01-Deb Nisbit	
5M01-Greg Larson	Austin Morning Lions held golf tournament with 19 teams. Collected 100 Lego kits and 150 blankets that were donated to Masonic Hospital.
5M02-Chuck Toltzman	Had 2 club visits scheduled; lots visits with DG and will mention grant for Ride Gear Ready to Go bags. DT has been in touch with Chaska for a matching grant .

5M02-Debbie Trebiatowski	
5M03-Patty Peterson	
5M03-Tammy Horner	SW in Tracy
5M04-Merlin Athmann	Not much, getting started in September with Zone and District meetings.
5M04-Sue Krumrey	
5M05-Colleen Patterson	
5M05-Gary Stevens	Meeting at Brooklyn Park Lions and Leos. How close to an award are they?
5M06-Judy Zewers	
5M06-Tracey Braaten	
5M07-LindsayVokaty	Monticello Lions
5M07-Mark Landwehr	
5M08-Bob Thompson	Had another commitment with district. Form letter he used with status.
5M08-Jeff Thompson	Becky & Jeff dropped off fleece blankets and stocking caps for NCIU babies. Any size Lego kits are welcome.
5M09-Cora Hohnstadt	Getting names and info for new and incoming presidents and will send out info.
5M09-OPEN	
5M10-Jessica Minske	
5M10-Tom O'Brien	Meeting better later in fall.
5M11-Jodi Sorenson	Bike ride, cabinet meeting in fall and Oscar Lions made port shirts.
5M11-Katie Damm	Working on Golf Tournament. Needs banner. Her and Colleen will work out delivery.
Susan Krumrey DG Liaison (non voting)	Looking forward to working with us.
Eric Glenz Legal Counsel (non voting)	

Meeting Dates for 2025-2026

1st Quarter	(Jul-Aug-Sep)	In-Person	something near Hospital
2nd Quarter	(Oct-Nov-Dec)	Zoom Call	January Meeting
3rd Quarter	(Jan-Feb-Mar)	Zoom Call	April Meeting
4th Quarter	(Apr-May-Jun)	Zoom Call	July Meeting-Too busy for in person meeting with Conventions, club activities and family events.

Adjourned **Time: 9:27 PM** **Motion by Jeff** **2nd by** **Everyone**