

MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation

Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, October 18, 2023. 7:00 PM

Via Zoom

Welcome: Chair, Jeff Thompson

Correspondence: Secretary, Jeannine McDonald

Additions or Corrections to Agenda: ADDITION OF ITEM #5, NEW BUSINESS, PARADE OF CHECKS

Approval of Agenda: Motion by BOB K 2nd by _____

Secretary Report: Motion by GARY 2nd by MERLIN See attachment sent via email: Jeannine McDonald

Treasurer Report: Motion by TOM O 2nd by CORA See attachment sent via email: Tom McCarthy

Roll Call of Directors present:

<u>5M1-Greg Larson</u>	<u>5M1-Deb Nisbit</u>	<u>5M2-Chuck Toltzman</u>	5M2-Kris Ziskovsky	5M3-Doreen Hanson-Velde	5M3-Vicki Radloff
<u>5M4-Merlin Athmann</u>	<u>5M4-Bob Knutson</u>	<u>5M5-Jeannine McDonald</u>	<u>5M5-Gary Stevens</u>	<u>5M6-Tracey Braaten</u>	<u>5M6-Jim Zewers</u>
5M7-Mark Landwehr	5M7-Open Seat	<u>5M8-Jeff Thompson</u>	5M8-Bob Thompson	5M9-Linda Albrecht-NorbY	<u>5M9-Cora Hohnstadt</u>
<u>5M10-Tom O'Brien</u>	5M10-Open Seat	5M11-Katie Damm	<u>5M11-Jodi Sorenson</u>	Treasurer-Tom McCarty	<u>DG Liaison Judy Zewers</u>

Consent Agenda: Tom McCarthy

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New Brighton Lions, Crusan Match

Riverside Fergus Falls Lions, Trinkle Match

Thief River Falls Lions, Gerzewski Match

MERLIN 2ND, PASSED

Old Business:

1. Booth at the state fair—update on information gathered.

DISCUSSION ON POSSIBILITY OF INCREASED FEES BY ASKING FOR CHANGE. STATE FAIR BOARD IS VERY PARTICULAR AND FUSSY. WE COULD KEEP STATUS QUO AND HELP IN OTHER WAYS. HELP AT KIDSIGHT BOOTH OR SELLING TICKETS TO THE MIDWAY.

2. Booth at MD5M Convention ~~May 5-6~~ **APRIL 19-21**

NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP STAFF A BOOTH.

THE FOLLOWING ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND: CORA, JODI, JEFF & BECKY, TRACY, JIM & JUDY

3. Report on Hamel Rodeo July 6,7,8,9 2023 – Gary Stevens / Jeannine McDonald

GARY GAVE A GREAT OVERVIEW OF THE HAMEL RODEO AND HOW WE GOT ROPED IN WITH THEM.

JULY 2022 WAS OUR FIRST YEAR WITH THEM. THEY OFFERED \$1 OF ALL TICKETS SOLD FOR THURSDAY NIGHT AND FEATURED A FAMILY ON THE CANCER JOURNEY. THE TOTAL OF MONEY THAT WAS TURNED IN TO US WAS \$10,000.

JULY 2023 WAS OUR SECOND YEAR. THEY OFFERED \$2 OF ALL TICKETS SOLD FOR THE THURSDAY NIGHT SHOW AND FEATURED A FAMILY. AT THE APPRECIATION DINNER MN LIONS CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION WAS PRESENTED WITH MULTIPLE CHECKS. THE TICKET SALES, ANOTHER SPONSOR DONATED ADDITIONAL FUNDS, THE BULL RIDER WHO DONATED HALF HIS WINNINGS NETTED A TOTAL OF \$15, 000.

New Business:

1. Hamel Rodeo – 2024 and beyond? Gary Stevens and Jeannine McDonald

NOW THE HISTORY LESSON. THE HAMEL RODEO HAS BEEN DOING THIS FOR 40 YEARS. THEY ARE A 501.c.3, THEY RELY 100% ON VOLUNTEERS, THEY BELONG TO PRCA (Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association) AND IS THE LARGEST RODEO IN MINNESOTA. IT RUNS FOR 4 DAYS, 5 SHOWS, THE WEEKEND AFTER THE 4TH OF JULY. (JULY 11, 12, 13, 14 ARE 2024 DATES)

THEY HAVE GIVEN MONEY TO 5 BASIC HAMEL GROUPS:

- HAMEL LIONS*
- HAMEL AMERICAN LEGION*
- MILITARY FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP*
- HAMEL VFW*
- HAMEL FIRE DEPARTMENT*

THEY ARE LOOKING TO REPLACE THE MILITARY FAMILY GROUP AND HAVE ASKED MN LIONS CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION TO STEP INTO ITS PLACE.

THIS COULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR FOUNDATION TO HAVE A SIGNATURE EVENT/GALA WITH VERY LITTLE OVERHEAD! WE JUST HAVE TO SHOW UP AND WORK AND REPRESENT

WE COULD TAKE TICKETS OR HELP WITH THE FOOD SALES.

IT WAS SUGGESTED TO GET A COMMITTEE FORMED AND START WRANGLING IDEAS.

THE HAMEL RODEO ASSOCIATION HAS ALREADY PLACED OUR LOGO ON THEIR 2024 SHIRTS SO IT SOUNDS LIKE THEY WOULD LIKE US THERE.

A VOTE TO PROCEED AND FORM A COMMITTEE WAS MOTIONED, SECONDED, AND 100% APPROVED.

2. April, 2024 Meeting Date, time – In Person.

WE WERE LOCKED IN FOR APRIL 20TH AT THE COUNTY INN, BUT DUE TO THE OVERLAP WITH THE MD5M CONVENTION WE ARE GOING TO LOOK AT CHANGING THE DATE. STAY TUNED. WILL ADVISE WHEN WE HAVE A DATE.

3. Donation to University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital - \$20,000.

WITH THE ADDITIONAL MONEY WE WRANGLING FROM THE RODEO, IT WAS SUGGESTED TO INCREASE THE DONATION TO THE U OF M. THE DONATION WOULD CHANGE FROM \$30, 000 TO \$35,000. IT WOULD CAUSE THE AVAILABLE FUNDS TO DIP BELOW THE \$15,000 AGREED TO KEEP ON HAND.

DISCUSSION FROM SEVERAL MEMBERS FELT NOT DIPPING BELOW THE \$15,000 WOULD BE THE BEST PRACTICE.

MOTION TO DONATE \$30,000 TO U OF M BY TOM O'BRIEN, SECONDED BY JIM ZEWEERS.

ALL APPROVED. NO ONE OPPOSED.

4. Preliminary discussion of who will assume some of treasurer's duties

THE FOLLOWING TRUSTEES STEPPED UP TO TAKE ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS.

- a. Believe Award *JEANNINE McDONALD*
- b. Facebook Updates *COLLEEN PATTERSON*
- c. Lapel Pins *MERLIN ATHMANN*
- d. Match Program *TRACY BRAATEN & JIM ZEWEERS*

IT WAS ALSO DISCUSSED THAT WE SHOULD HAVE COMMITTEES FORMED. PLEASE SEND YOUR IDEAS TO LION JEFF.

5. Parade of Green Checks

MAKE SURE THE PARADE OF GREEN INFORMATION FOR MNLCCF IS UP TO DATE FOR ALL YOUR MID WINTER CONVENTIONS.

District Reports:

5M1-Deb Nisbit	<i>It has been a great start to the year. I have attended Zone meetings and 2 Region meetings. I have 4 zone meetings to attend in November. I have a club presentation scheduled for Winona & Plainview so far, hopefully more to come after zone meeting's. We have completed 100 tie blankets and 50 Lego sets With the help of 4 youth groups in the area and our 5m1 lions. We have 1 Believe award to present to a Goodhue lions member as soon as I receive it. The silent auction proceeds from 5M1 mid winter convention will go to Mn Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation.</i>
5M1-Greg Larson	<i>ATTENDING MEETINGS. CONVENTION DATES ARE JANUARY 12-13-14 SILENT AUCTION WILL BE TO BENEFIT MNLCCF.</i>
5M2-Chuck Toltzman	<i>ATTENDING ZONE MEETING AND CLUB MEETINGS. CONVENTIONS DATES ARE FEBRUARY 9-10-11 AND HE IS RUNNING FOR 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR</i>
5M2-Kris Ziskovsky	
5M3-Doreen Hanson-Velde	
5M3-Vicki Radloff	
5M4-Bob Knutson	
5M4-Merlin Athmann	<i>THEY ARE WORKING WITH 3 FAMILIES. BOOTH AT THE WALK IN THE PARK WAS SUCCESSFUL</i>
5M5-Gary Stevens	<i>CONVENTION DATE ARE JANUARY 5-6-7 WE HAVE A CABINET MEETING AND ALL CLUB MEETING COMING UP. HE IS IN PROCESS OF SENDING LETTERS TO CLUBS REGARDING OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE PARADE OF CHECKS.</i>
5M5-Jeannine McDonald	
5M6-Jim Zewers	<i>CONVENTION DATES ARE JANUARY 12-13. FUNDRAISER AT MID WINTER FOR ???. MATCH GRANT TO NEW BRIGHTON LIONS</i>
5M6-Tracey Braaten	
5M7-Mark Landwehr	
5M7-Open Seat	
5M8-Bob Thompson	
5M8-Jeff Thompson	<i>ATTENDING CLUB, ZONE MEETINGS. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR TRAINING AND COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MEETING</i>
5M9-Cora Hohnstadt	<i>CONVENTION DATES ARE JANUARY 5-6-7. SOME DONATIONS ARE COMING IN. REPORTED THAT KALEB IS STARTING ROUND 2 OF CHEMO AND IS FEELING GOOD. HAD FUN AT CORN MAZE.</i>
5M9-Linda Albrecht-Norby	
5M10-Open Seat	

5M10-Tom O'Brien	<i>CONVENTION DATES ARE JANUARY 19-20-21. HE SENT OUT 17 EMAILS OFFERING TO SPEAK AT THEIR CLUBS. ONE CHECK WAS RECEIVED AND NO SPEAKING DATES YET. BIKE DONATIONS ARE COMING IN.</i>
5M11-Jodi Sorenson	<i>CONVENTION DATES ARE JANUARY 26-27-28 THEY ARE GOING TO DO A SHAVE FOR THE BRAVE. CORN FEED, RUMMAGE SALE AND BIKE RIDE HAVE BROUGHT IN ABOUT \$4,000 IN DONATIONS. ALEX'S STORY; CREATE A BOOK OF CDA STORIES?</i>
5M11-Katie Damm	
DG Liaison Judy Zewers	<i>HER GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM IS LOOKING FOR PROJECT IDEAS FOR THE MASONIC CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.</i>
Treasurer-Tom McCarty	

Dates to remember:

October 2023	19-20	VDG's Training, Cragun's Resort, Brainerd
	21	Council of Governors, Cragun's Resort, Brainerd Global Action Team Summit, Cragun's Resort, Brainerd
	27	Eyeball Gala-Vision Foundation, Brooklyn Center
January 2024	5-7	Mid Winter Convention, 5M5 and 5M9
	12-13	Mid Winter Convention, 5M6
	12-14	Mid Winter Convention, 5M1
	19-21	Mid Winter Convention, 5M10
	24	MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation meeting zoom 7pm
	26-28	Mid Winter Convention, 5M11
February 2024	9-11	Mid Winter Convention, 5M2
March 2024	6	DG Elects foundation tours
	7-8	DG Elects training Roseville
	9	Council of Governors
April 2024	18-21	MD5M convention Winnipeg, MB-Canada
	TBD	MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation meeting in person St. Cloud 9am
July 2024	11-14	Hamel Rodeo, Corcoran MN

Adjourn:

Motion by _____ 2nd by _____