

MN Lions Childhood Cancer Fd., Inc.
Board of Trustees Meeting
April 22, 2023
Country Inn & Suites East
120 7th Avenue SE, St. Cloud, Mn. 56304

<u>District</u>	<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
1	Julie Arney	Present
1	Debra Nisbit	Present
2	Chuck Tolzman	Present
2		Vacant
3	Vickie Radloff	Absent
3	Anna Thomes	Absent
4	Bob Knutson-Vice Chair	Absent
4	Merlin Athmann	Present
5	Jeannine McDonald-Chair	Present
5	Gary Stevens	Present
6	Tracy Braaten	Present
6		Vacant
7		Vacant
7		Vacant
8	Jeff Thompson	Absent
8	Bob Thompson	Present
9	Linda Albrecht-Norby -Secretary	Present
9	Cora Hohnstadt	Zoom
10	Tom O'Brien	Zoom
11	Katie Damm	Absent
11	Jodi Sorenson	Absent
DG Liaison	Mark Landwehr	Present
Treasurer	Tom McCarthy	Present

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Call meeting to Order: 09:01

Welcome-Jeannine McDonald

Four Believe Award need to be delivered before our next Meeting in July. We had over 100 Believe Awards done, nameplates made by Bob Thompson's company and were then mailed out. They are sent UPS and need a city address, no PO boxes. Cost is \$11.00 each to mail and can take up to 30 days to deliver.

Pin sales are fantastic, trustees need to pay for their pins when ordering and that would save on waiting for funds to be returned to the Foundation. We have a lot of Childhood Cancer T-shirts left and need to move them. Let Jeannine know if you'd like shirts for your District and we will sell at the MD5M Convention also.

No Correspondence

Addition or corrections to Agenda:

Addition to Agenda: 2A-1. Updated Video from U of M for Trustees

Approval of Agenda as amended: Motion by: Tracey Braaten, District 6, 2nd by Mark Landwehr, DG Liaison. Motion passed

Secretary Report: See attachment sent via email by Linda Albrecht-Norby, Secretary.

Corrections-Correction to the 01/25/2023 meeting minutes- District 1 made 30 tied blankets and collected 15 Lego sets.

Approval of Secretary report as amended: Motion by Merlin Athmann, District 4, 2nd by Tom O'Brien, District 10, motion passed.

Consent Agenda: Tom McCarthy
230422 Consent Agenda

(A consent agenda is a board meeting practice that groups routine business and reports into one agenda item. The consent agenda can be approved in one action, rather than filing motions on each item separately. Using a consent agenda can save boards anywhere from a few minutes to a half hour. A consent agenda moves routine items along quickly so that the board has time for discussing more important issues.)

Approve the following items, previously approved by email vote of majority of directors:

1. 5M-11 Gyrgla Lions Match - \$500
2. 5M-4 Morris Lions Match - \$500
3. 5M-9 Nisswa Lions Match - \$500
4. 5M-1 Ostrander Lions Match - \$500
5. 5M-11 Thief River Falls Lions Match - \$300
6. Approval of Donor Wall Name Plate (at U of M Masonic Children's Hospital):
MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation

Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Motion by Tom McCarthy, Treasurer, 2nd by Chuck Tolzman, District 2, motion passed.

Old Business

1. Booth at State Fair-Jeff Thompson

Need representation all days of the fair (4 hour shifts), handouts of some kind to promote MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation. Suggestions Bookmarkers with info on the back, jar openers. Jeff will check into what is required to get set-up for the fair and report back at the July meeting.

2. Booth at MD5M Convention May 5 & 6-Linda Albrecht-Norby

Will contact convention committee to reserve a table and set-up a schedule for manning the booth for questions regarding the foundation.

3. Hamel Rodeo-July 6-9, 2023-Jeannine McDonald

Tent to set-up looking at a 10 x 10 tent with logo on it.

2 Banners for Rodeo with logo on it, Chuck Tolzman will check into that.

New Business

1. Dates for the next Lions year 2023-2024 Bd Meetings:

July- In person meeting at the University of Minnesota for annual training

July 18-21 10am-3pm - Box lunch and tour of the hospital

Fall - October 18, 2023 - 7pm Zoom Mtg.

January/February- January 24, 2024 – 7pm Zoom Mtg.

Spring – April 20, 2024 – St. Cloud In-person

MD5M Convention Annual Mtg. – Winnipeg, MB – April 20, 2024 7am

2. Finance Committee Report-Tom O'Brien/Tom McCarthy

A. \$100,000.00 Donation to University of Minnesota Childrens Hospital

Motion by Tom O'Brien, District 10, 2nd by Tom McCarthy, treasurer

B. Budget 2023-2024

Proposal for 2023-2024 Childhood Cancer Foundation Budget:

Since it is difficult, if not impossible, to predict the generosity of our Minnesota Lions Clubs from year to year, as well as the results of any fundraising effort, the following policy regarding the Foundation budget for Fiscal Year 2023 (7/1/23-6/30/24):

1. There shall be a checkbook balance of \$15,000.00 maintained for unexpected expenses/opportunities.
2. The Foundation shall donate \$10,000.00 to Kamp KACE (Kids Against Cancer Everywhere) to support their mission of providing a weeklong camping experience for children afflicted with cancer and for their siblings.
3. The Foundation shall reserve \$10,000.00 for matching local Minnesota clubs' contributions to families in their communities dealing with childhood cancer, up to \$500.00 per club match.
4. Additional funds over and above the budgeted items above shall be earmarked for the University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital for their Childhood Cancer Survivorship program or such other uses as the Hospital may request and the Board approves.

Motion to approve by: Tom McCarthy, Treasurer, **2nd by** Mark Landwehr, DG Liaison, motion passed.

It was also presented by Tom O'Brien to hire accounting firm to do tax compilations each year, **Motion by:** Tom McCarthy, Treasurer, 2nd by Chuck Tolzmann, District 2, motion passed.

3. 5-year plan for the Foundation (to be submitted before the MD5M Convention, May 5)-Jeannine McDonald

Jeannine is working on it and will be submitted by May 5. Will present copies of plan at the July board meeting.

District Reports

District 1 Julie Arney reported she received memorial cards for Barb Ernsters Funeral

Deb Nisbit:

In February assisted and helped Ostrander Lions complete their matching grant for \$500.00 for a young man in their community.

In March the last of the Parade of Green checks trickled in with the total being \$5,016.00.

Did Foundation representation for the Lewiston Lions and received \$500.00 check and then met with Mark Ernster to put together Memorial Fund for PDG Barb Ernster with her request to go to Childhood Cancer Foundation.

I accepted an invitation from PDG Kerry Bien to attend their monthly meeting and dinner and presented them with a Believe Award for \$1,000.00 accumulative funds. Two weeks later PDG Kerry caught up with me to present me with a \$125.00 check from the Tail Twister the evening I was there.

In April I have attended the Lewiston Lions meeting to present a Believe Awards to Mark Ernster in Memory of PDG Barb Ernster and I to the Lewiston Lions for \$1,000.00 accumulative funds.

I then made Foundation presentation to the Stewartville Morning Lions Breakfast and had the honor to present them a Believe Award for \$1,000.00 accumulative funds.

As of the 1st of April we have 30 blankets tied and 15 lego sets collected. This coming Monday I will meet with a local 4-H club to make Foundation presentation and tie blankets and then Saturday I will meet with a Stewartville Youth group to explain Foundation and tie blankets. So as of

Saturday, we will have over 50 blankets and the Stewartville Morning are going to help out collecting lego sets.

I have 2 presentations to make in May and 2 Believe Awards to present.

New Trustee for 2023-2024 – Greg Larson.

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| District 2 | Chuck reports that he sold pins, made 8 zone meetings, and made 4 club visits. Parade of Green collected \$13,210.00 and a total of \$78,000.00 donations from 5M-2. Power point presentations to community last about 45 minutes and help with family needs in the area. Gerald Ziskovski's wife Kris Ziskovski will be joining the board of trustees for 2023-2024. |
| District 3 | No report |
| District 4 | Merlin reported \$ 4,360.00 from Parade of Green and Sauk Rapids have been making blankets. |
| District 5 | Gary reports Pub Crawl in Excelsior, Maple Grove shrimp & steak dinner fund raisers.
Jeannine stated she attended 4 Mid-Winter Conventions as a speaker and Fairmont, rural clubs selling some t-shirts. Working on U of M pamphlet and interact with parents & kids. |
| District 6 | Tracy stated she had a table at 5M6 convention and Parade of Green raised \$13,600.00. Blankets coming in from clubs for the hospital and a Beer tasting May 20. New Trustee 2023-2024-Jim Zewers. |
| District 7 | DG Mark Landwehr reported Golden Hour (1 hour to trauma center) Talked about Childhood Cancer at DG Mtgs. visits and goal for next year to raise \$30,000.00. New Trustee for 2023-2024 Mark Landweh. |
| District 8 | Bob stated the winter has been slow with club visits. POG raised \$17,000.00 Attending zone mtg. and talking about matching grants to the clubs. Presented Believe Awards to club who did the golf tournament. |
| District 9 | Doing clubs visits and zone mtgs. Table at mid-winter convention. Donations coming in from clubs. |

District 10 Club visits Pancake ay May 4 in Duluth. Checking with DG for another Trustee for 10.

District 11 No report

Tom McCarthy thanked the trustees for sending out Thank You's to the clubs for their donations to the MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation.

Closing comments

5M2- Deb Nisbit made mention of a journey bag she makes for those attending hospital visits and will bring to the July mtg. for all to look at.

Need to get the U of M booklist for ideas

Dates to remember

May

5-7 MD5M Convention-Holiday Inn, St. Cloud
6 Annual MD5M Convention- Foundation meetings-7am

June

3 MN Lions Hearing Fd.-D'Feet Walks
Chaska Arboretum & Bemidji-Diamond Pt. Park

July

6-9 CC Booth-Hamel Rodeo
7-12 105th Lions Tntl. Convention-Boston, Ma.
20 MN Lions CC Fd. Mtg.-U of M
22 COG's Mtg.- Kelly Inn, St. Cloud
28-29 Diabetes, Hearing & Vision Fd. Mtgs.

August

24-31 Minnesota State Fair

September

1-4 Minnesota State Fair
21-23 USA/Canada Leadership Forum-Reno, Nv.

October

12-15	Regional Lions Leadership Institute-TBD
18	MN Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation-Zoom Mtg.
19-20	VDG's Training-Cragun's Resort, Brainerd
21	COG's-Cragun's Resort, Brainerd
	Global Action Team Summit-Cragun's Resort, Brainerd

Motion to Adjourn

Adjourn 11:15am Mark Landwehr, DG Liason