Kansas Lions Foundation Board of Directors Meeting, May 29,2026, Hutchinson Community College

At 11:03am President PCC Diana Baumann called the meeting to order. Present were President PCC Baumann, Secretary and Director 17-K PDG Kathie Bell, Treasurer PDG Tom Baumann, and Directors PCC Randy St. Aubyn (17-K), 2nd VDG Cheryl Kerns (17-A), PDG Carleen Rajala (17-A), PCC Helen Le Blanc (17-N), PDG Stephen Langley (17-N). 1st VDG Jeremy Skrdlant (Director 17-K), Lion Ron Weaverling (Vice President and Director 17-A). and Lion John Freund (Director 1 7-N) were absent. A quorum was present.

The minutes had been emailed to officers, Directors and committee chairs. Cheryl Kerns moved they be accepted and Carleen Rajala seconded the motion which carried.

Tom Baumann presented the Treasurers Report. On April 30, 2025, the Foundation balance was $103,733.28. On April 30, 2026, the balance was $124,890.25 for a gain of $21,157.01. Helen LeBlanc moved the report be approved with the correction to the Pink Lion entry and Cheryl Kerns seconded. The report was approved.

Next on the agenda was discussion of proposed changes to the By-Laws. The changes had not been fully disseminated, so they will be voted on next year. Major changes were if a Director needs to be removed it will be by a vote from their Sub-district. Directors will be limited to two three-year terms and must sit out for at least one year before being a Director again. Kansas Lions Foundation Board officers will be voted for by Directors and must be Directors. with the exception of Treasurer who doesn't have to be a Director. Unless the Treasurer is currently a Director they will not be able to vote on any business. Candidates will state their intent to run or could be nominated from the floor. Officer elections will take place during the first meeting after the State Convention. Goals and duties of the officers will be clarified, Only one member of a household can serve at the same time as officer or Director. A thank you was made to Diana Baumann, Stephen Langley, Ron Weaverling and PDG Chris Bauer for working on the By-Laws.

Currently Tom Baumann, Randy St. Aubyn, DG Louis Morgan and State Secretary PDG Dan Funke are certified drivers for the ALERT truck and trailer. More drivers, especially outside 17-K are needed. Diana Baumann will send rules for certification to the District Governors. A replacement truck for the one housed in Hays, and possibly a third, is needed. Possible sources of funding are the Hanson Foundation, LCIF, the Patterson Foundation and other sources in the state of Kansas. Helen LeBlanc moved the KLF get an estimate for and do repairs to the front end of the truck in 17-K to make it drivable and/or salable . Stephen Langley seconded the motion which carried.

Tom Baumann will ensure Dan Funke receives a debit card from the Foundation.

Steven Langley will revise and update the KLF webs

Peace Poster chair PDG Richard Caldwell thanked the KLF for increasing the money awarded to the Peace Poster winners. Since there is no longer a Mid-Winter Rally, he proposed the winners be announced in January or February and they be honored at their District conventions and invited to and recognized at the State convention. The consensus of the Board was the changes be adopted.

PCC Harry Stockwell texted the following: Our youth exchange program has been put on hold until next year. We had one student from Finland to come to Kansas.

Unfortunately, no hosts were found due to lateness and not being contacted until about a month ago, Tried to have a Leo host for him as he is a Leo. My plan is to start in August. Maybe a better response.

Next was the election of Board officers. Randy St Aubyn nominated Tom Baumann for Treasurer and Stephen Langley seconded. Baumann was elected. Steven Langley nominated and Helen LeBlanc seconded Ron Weaverling as Vice President, Weaverling was elected. Helen LeBlanc nominated and Cheryl Kerns seconded Stephen Langley as President; and Tom Baumann nominated Diana Baumann as President and Randy St. Aubyn seconded. Langley won the election. Stephen Langley nominated Kathie Bell as Secretary and Helen LeBlanc seconded. Bell was elected.

The meeting adjourned at noon.