Topeka Lions Board of Directors
Minutes
August 18, 2026

Call to Order: 7:13 pm

End Time: 8:15 pm

Attendees: Irene Haws, Spencer Smith, Bruce Messick, Lisa Drum, Jarrod Guth, Nelda Buckley, Priscilla McCabe, Linda Sloan

Secretary's Report (Nelda Buckley): Irene moved to approve the minutes of the July meeting, Bruce seconded; minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report (Bruce Messick): See attached. Outstanding checks for Ernesto and Tracy, but they have not paid 2026-27 dues, either. Irene will reach out to Linda Sloan about Tracy's dues and outstanding $10 check not cashed. Priscilla will reach out to Ernesto to cash the $10 check and pay dues. Irene moved to approve the treasurer's report, Priscilla seconded; approved.

Foundation Financials (Bruce Messick): See attached. Priscilla moved to approve the foundation financials, Lisa Drum seconded; approved.

Foundation Report (Irene Haws): need to have a meeting with the elected members to set the budget line items; she will reach out to the members.

Endowment Financials (Bruce Messick): Balance on July 31, 2026: $102,277.79

President's Message (Irene Haws): Adopt a Park application said we are supposed to clean the park twice a month; Irene tried to follow up. No definite timing within the month. Irene will suggest that once a month seems to be adequate. Need to reach out to Steve Page re: America the Beautiful reporting.

Membership Report (Irene Haws): Followed up with Robin Bonsall; dues have now been paid. Brynna Darling wanted to pause her membership, which is not an option. Cedric (Priscilla's grandson) will likely join in October ($25) but would like to be inducted after the Lions Band camp at the state convention.

Administration Reports (~~Donna Doel~~):

- Program Calendar: October 5 – Daniel Martinez, Zone 4 Chair, and Bobby Duvall, LCIF
- Marketing Director – (Irene Haws): needs to post the next meeting information and update location on the website and the Topeka Health and Wellness information

Service Reports:

- **Washburn Park**: Priscilla McCabe and/or Lisa Drum will try to clean this week and report through GroupMe. Consider moving cleanup time up as the sun sets earlier.
- **Eyeglass and Eye Exam Procurement Referrals** (Spencer Smith): Four to Walmart and four to Grace Med and Walmart – 8 total in July
- **Vision Screenings** (Spencer Smith): on the 25th of August will be doing screening at Pauline Central Elementary 9:30-2:00, Preschool, 1st, and 2nd; Priscilla may assist/practice; please give Spencer adequate notice when needing to have screening and follow through (pick up if Spencer is not available, fill out paperwork, and return the unit to Spencer); lensometers are still coming;

3000 glasses ready to go overseas; 2000 in addition are in storage ready to go. Irene will be going to Abilene on Saturday if anyone wants to join her to process a pickup truck full of eyeglasses with the Abilene Lions club, leaving around 10:30 a.m.; she will see if they can use the 2000. Priscilla will join Irene in attending the Abilene Lions service project.

- **Twilight Committee on Human Trafficking** (Irene Haws): A meeting will be held again; Kansas law was passed for first-time offender (contributing to Human Trafficking demand) deferment if attend a program, program is currently in development; more to come. 234 pairs of socks were donated to YWCA along with monetary donations from northeast Kansas Lions (District 17A).

Fundraising Report:

- Grandparents Day Fundraiser, Saturday, September 26: Countryside Methodist 3221 Burlingame Road will allow us to use the kitchen and gymnasium 8 am – 1:30 pm (max) for $225. Spencer has info for insurance when/if needed.
- Sertoma Clubs asked if we were interested in duck sales; Irene requested ten certificates. Irene said we would participate.

Old Business: none

New Business:

- Received a request from Chelsea at Hummer regarding concession stand for fall activities; schedule is not yet out. Expecting to have the list any time now (by the 21st) for games from August 28 through November 13.
- Lisa has put in a request to Celtic Fox to hold our 5th Monday social there. Info to come
- Priscilla reports that the physical Peace Poster kit has been ordered and Priscilla and Irene will meet with Robinson Middle School to encourage participation. Participants may be included in the Art Guild. If there is another school interested, let Irene know before the USA/Canada Forum and she can purchase another Peace poster kit there to save on shipping.

Irene moved to adjourn the meeting, Priscilla seconded; meeting adjourned.

Important Dates :

- Zone 4 Meeting: August 29, 2026, 10:30 am, Auburn Christian Church
- USA/Canada Forum: September 3-6, 2026, Memphis, TN
- Grandparents Day fundraiser: September 26, 2026
- Next Board meeting: September 15, 2026, 7:00 pm, Zoom
- Washburn Park cleanup: September 20, 2026, 4:00 pm (or as available)
- Next Club meeting: October 5, 2026, 5:30 pm, Natural Grocers - Daniel Martinez, Zone 4 Chair, and Bobby Duvall, LCIF

Please submit committee reports to President Donna Doel by the second Sunday of each month.

TOPEKA LIONS CLUB
MONTHLY REPORT
From 7/01/2026 through 7/31/2026

Starting Balance		$ 3,672.21
Receipts		
Member Dues	$ 450.00	
District Dues Reimbursements		
Contributions		
Tail Twister		
Hummer		
Reimbursement – GPLLI		
Project Expense Reimbursement		
Supplies Reimbursement		
Expenses		
Transfer Funds		
Refund Members Application Fee Balance		
District 17-A Dues	$299.00	
State Convention Ad		
Fee for Shelter / Supplies for Party Room		
Meals / Annual Meeting		
Ks Sec of State – Annual Report		
GPLLI Grants for attending members		
LCI Dues	$575.00	
Speaker Lunches		
Project Expense – Band Camp		
Supplies – Web Domain & Website		
Promotion/Advertising –		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$ 450.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 874.00
ENDING BALANCE (Checkbook)		**$ 3,248.21**

Bank Statement 7/31/2026 $3,268.21

Outstanding Checks #1544 $ 10.00
#1550 $ 10.00

Foundation Report for JULY 2026

RECEIPTS	MONTHLY	Y-T-D
Beginning of fiscal year checking acct		$ 1,177.17
TRANSFER FROM INVESTMENTS	$ 4,000.00	$ 4,000.00
TRANSFER FROM LIONS CLUB ACCOUNT		
CASH DONATIONS	$ 500.00	$ 500.00
ON-LINE GIVING FOUNDATION	$ -	
PAYPAL GIVING FUND		
LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FUND TO BE DISTRIBUTED		
BLOOD DRIVE		
PROJECT - KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS - HYGIENE/WOMEN'S PROGRAMS		
TOTAL JOURNEY FOR SIGHT		
ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING SERVICE PROJECT IN KIND DONATION		
TOTAL IN-KIND ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING DONATIONS $ -		
ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING		
Hygiene Project YWCA IN KIND DONATION		
TOTAL Hygiene Project YWCA Donations		
DUCK RACE / SERTOMA		
SBL CHARTABLE TRUST		
TEDDY BEAR DRIVE PROJECT IN KIND DONATIONS		
TOTAL IN KIND DONATIONS TEDDY BEAR PROJECT		
TEDDY BEAR DRIVE PROJECT CASH RECEIVED BY DONATION		
BRIDGE HOUSE DONATION		
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$ 4,500.00	$ 4,500.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
EYE EXAMS & GLASSES		
BURLINGWOOD OPTICAL $ -		
ATTEBERRY OPTICAL $ -		
VISION CENTER AT WALMART	$ 840.00	$ 840.00
ADVENTURE VISION		
GRACE MED	$ 125.00	$ 125.00
TOTAL EYE EXAMS & GLASSES	**$ 965.00**	**$ 965.00**
ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING		
BRIDGE HOUSE		
BAND CAMP		
WINTER GEAR PROJECT		
I-DESIGN GRAPHIC SERVICES		
Sams Club		
TOTAL WINTER GEAR PROJECT		
COMMUNITY WALK		
KSNT		
KTML		
KTKA		
BARKER PRINTING CO		
TOTAL COMMUNITY WALK		
Blood Drive AD/I. Haws-CityLifestyle		
Peace Poster Kits		
Irene Haws - food collected		
Books for Schools		
KSDS		
ADMIN EXPENSES		
KANSAS.GOV		
DELUXE CHECKS		
TOTAL ADMIN EXPENSES		
LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FUND		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$ 965.00	$ 965.00
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE JULY 1, 2026	$ 1,177.17	
TOTAL RECEIPTS MONTH & YEAR TO DATE	$ 4,500.00	$ 4,500.00
TOTAL DISBURSMENTS MONTH & YEAR TO DATE	$ 965.00	$ 965.00
JULY 31, 2026 Ending Balance	**$ 4,712.17**	**$ 4,712.17**
Note: Bank Stmt 7/31/26 $4,712.17		
NO OUSTANDING CHECKS AT END OF THE MONTH		

Foundation Investment acct ending 7/31/2026 $ 102,277.79