



BOARD MEETING

March 7, 2018

FineMark National Bank & Trust, Boca Grande Room

800 Laurel Oak Drive, Naples

APPROVED April 4, 2018

President Elizabeth Winebrenner called the meeting to order at 9:35 A.M. with a quorum present.

Present: Elizabeth Winebrenner, Charlene Barnette, Melissa McClayton, Mary Beth Jones, Denise Hadley, Mary Olson, Karen Lutz, Maria Lane, Kelly Hutchinson, Anne Thomas, Dusti Beaubien, Deirdre Benson, Kerry Riner, Barbara Ledinsky, Donna Sawers, Donna Loomis, Paula McNulty, Jane Stone, Mary Lou Swartz

Excused: Nancy Taylor, Katherine Caskey, Gigi Stewart, Mary Cooper, Julie Wade, Denise Cazobon

President's Remarks:

- President Elizabeth Winebrenner welcomed the board to our last board meeting as a group before our joint board meeting next month.
- Charlene Barnette then introduced our new executive office manager Barrie Conley to the board.
- The Gift Policy document was distributed to all board members, signed, and returned to Liz.
- Next Friday is our Circle of Friends luncheon at the Naples Botanical Garden. Sixty-nine members have not responded. Barbara Ledinsky, Kelly Hutchinson, Mary Beth Jones, Charlene Barnette, and Maria Lane volunteered to call those who have yet to respond.
- Liz recapped our fundraiser **Leslie Stahl: Her Stories Today**: Gigi Stewart's outstanding job as fundraising chair and her speech that afternoon; Kermit and Jenny

Sutton's lovely patron party underwritten by FineMark and Northern Trust; Denise Hadley for organizing our hostesses, Katherine Caskey and Denise Cazobon for their work in development, and Jane Stone for creating the program. There were 645 in attendance with 156 Circle of Friends. Thus far, we have raised \$274,447.23.

Minutes of the February 7, 2018 Board Meeting:

- Charlene Barnette moved that we accept the February minutes; Barbara Ledinsky seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Mary Olson

- Mary reviewed the financial report of January 2018; all was on target.
- She then reviewed the Patron Party revenue. One area of concern is the cost of the guests at the Pearl level. This cost needs to be kept at \$75 per person or fair market value. This should be determined by the fundraising committee for next year's event.
- Mary Olson moved that we accept the financial report of January 2018 as presented. Passed unanimously.
- Mary reviewed the reasons we need to increase our dues and change the date that our dues need to be paid. By changing from May 31 to May 1, we will be in line with our fiscal year. Standing Rules #5 would need to be changed to reflect this.
- Mary Olson moved that we change STANDING RULES MEMBERSHIP #5 *Members who have not paid dues by May 31 will be subject to late fees. Members who have not paid dues by August 1 will be removed from the membership rolls no later than the October Board meeting To Members who have not paid dues by May 1 will be subject to late fees. Members who have not paid dues by August 1 will be removed from the membership rolls no later than the October Board meeting.* Passed unanimously.
- Mary Olson moved that we change FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS #1 *The annual financial commitment of a League Club member is \$175 (\$125 for administration and \$50 for Community Trust Fund). This obligation is payable on or before May 1 and is delinquent May 31, after which date a delinquency fee of \$25 will be added To The annual financial commitment of a League Club member is \$200 (\$150 for administration and \$50 for Community Trust Fund). This obligation is payable on or before May 1, after which date a delinquency fee of \$25 will be added.* Passed unanimously.
- Membership will vote on this change March 14th at the General Membership Meeting. Our by-laws require a 2/3 vote of the members present and voting in order to adopt or amend any financial commitment required of all members.
- Mary reviewed the Annual Dues Payment form that will be sent to all members.

Membership – Denise Hadley

- Four new members are proposed this month:
Christine Ancy (Old Naples) JL Affiliations Oranges and Short Hill – Mentor Michelle Thomas
Nancy Hughes (Pelican Bay) JL Affiliations Boston, New York City – Mentor TBA

Susan Kearney (The Dunes) JL Affiliation Evanston-North Shore – Mentor Pat Frey
Janet Weber (Pelican Marsh) JL Affiliations Lincoln, Nebraska; Indianapolis, Baton Rouge, Chicago – Mentor: Jane Crosby

- Denise Hadley moved we accept Christine Ancey, Nancy Hughes, Susan Kearney and Janet Weber as new members; seconded by Kerry Riner. Passed unanimously.

V/P Community – Melissa McClayton

- The Community Involvement Committee awarded \$284,970 of its \$306,576 funds; the remaining \$21,606 will be added to the 2018-2019 funds to distribute next year.
- Three agencies were denied funding due to non-compliance with TLC parameters and Committee concerns: Help a Diabetic Child, Immokalee Child Care Center; St. Matthews House.
- Melissa McClayton moved that we accept the recommendation by the Community Involvement Committee for distribution of 29 grants for a total of \$284,970; passed unanimously.
- Membership will vote on this distribution of funds at our General Membership Meeting on March 14.

Nominating – Donna Loomis

- Donna presented the 2018-2019 Slate of Officers, Elect Positions and Nominating Committee Members as proposed by the 2017-2018 Nominating Committee: Donna Loomis (chair) Committee: Deirdre Benson, Susan Mainwaring, Jeanne McCarthy, Sallie Miller, Sandy Morse, Barb Schroeder

Slate of Officers and Elect Positions 2018-2019

President-Elect:	Gigi Stewart
Vice President/Communications:	TBD
Vice President/Education:	Maryanne Dignan
Vice President/Membership:	Maria Lane
Recording Secretary:	Julie Wade
Vice President-Elect/Community:	Marilyn Bartter
Vice President-Elect/Development:	TBD
Vice President-Elect/Fundraising Events:	Joan Lewis
Treasurer-Elect:	TBD

Slate of the Nominating Committee 2018-2019

Chair: Liz Winebrenner

Committee: Bette Aymar, Dusti Beaubien, Mary Beth Jones, Donna Loomis, Kerry Riner, Mary

Lou Swartz

- Pursuant to League Club Bylaws, Article VII, Section 2b Election
A single slate of nominees shall be voted on by the membership at the Annual Meeting.
- Additional nominations may be made providing the nominees have proper qualifications, consent has been given and candidate's name has been listed with the Nominatin Committee Chairman at least five (5) days prior to the election.
- **Donna Loomis moved that we accept this partial slate of officers, elect positions, and nominating committee members as presented. Passed unanimously.**

V/P Elect – Charlene Barnette

- Charlene acknowledged the work of Susan Mainwaring who stepped in as office manager until one could be hired. Susan's last date was February 28.
- Barrie Conley, our new office manager, will continue with the same hours of MWTh 9-12. Please make an appointment with her if you need to see her.
- Let Charlene know if there is anything specific that board members would like to see accomplished by our office manager this summer.

Education – Mary Beth Jones

- Our March General Membership program will be 1.5 hours long. It will be done by Collier County Sheriff Neal Bohannon – Citizen Response to Active Shooter Situations.
- The Annual Meeting in April will be held at the Audubon Club. Our May meeting will be held at the Country Club of Naples with Ann Fleming of Waterside Mall speaking on the future of retail.

Area Meetings – Kelly Hutchinson

- Everything is set for the Area Meetings March 8.
- Some locations were difficult to obtain due to the larger number of members living in that area.
- A folder has been provided to the /hostess/facilitator. Kelly thanked the hostesses and facilitators for their support.

By-laws – Anne Thomas

- Each board member needs to review their job descriptions. If any revisions are needed, please let Anne know.

Community Liaison – Dusti Beaubien

- Volunteer opportunities include:
 - The “**Tour of Hope**” is scheduled at St. Matthew's House on March 26th. Time to be determined.

- “**Lunch and More**” will be held at Naples Senior Center on Wednesday, March 28th. Five to ten volunteers are needed to help set up, assist seniors, serve lunch and socialize with the senior citizens.
- “**Empty Bowl Painting Party**” will be held at Meals of Hope Warehouse from 5:30-8 P.M. Date to be determined.
- “**Beans and Rice Packing Event**” – possibly April 20 from 10-12 at Meals of Hope Warehouse.
- Volunteer hours to date is 474.
- Maxi pad donations are \$2,440.

Events – Deirdre Benson

- The end of the year party **Swinging into Summer** will be held at The Club at Pelican Bay 6 P.M. on Saturday, April 7th. Cost is \$60 per person. A cash bar will be available (cash ONLY/credit cards NOT accepted).

V/P Elect Fundraising – Jane Stone

- Save the Date: March 11th Naples Tables. This new fundraising event will feature a luncheon with tables decorated by community designers. Doors will open early so that all may walk through the room and see the various table designs. This event has been done by Dallas and St. Louis. Jane, Charlene, and Joan Lewis will fly to St. Louis in April to see their event. Should anyone wish to be on the committee or have suggestions for table designers, please contact Jane.

Future Planning – Kerry Riner

- The number of newsletters will be decreased to three per year: fall to preview the season, January to promote our fundraising event, and May to include our annual report. By doing this, we will be saving \$1,000.

Other Business –

- Karen Lutz reported a handful of returns from a recent mailing to membership regarding the potential increase of dues.
- Dusti Beaubien announced the Hunger Symposium by Meals of Hope to be March 30th.
- Paula McNulty reminded everyone of the Briefcase Breakfast to be held April 5 at Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club. Invitations have been emailed.

Meeting adjourned 11:02 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Lane

REPORTS:

The League Club
Membership Report
March 7, 2018

New Members

Nancy Hughes Mrs. Christian "Chris"
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Naples, FL 34108
(617)331-3402 nancy.hughes@comcast.net
Neighborhood: Pelican Bay
Affiliation: JL of Boston, JL of New York City
Mentor: ?

Susan Kearney "Sue Mrs. Thomas "Tom"
275 Indies Way #1006
Naples, FL 34110
(312)590-8866 lilduffl@aol.com
Neighborhood: The Dunes
Affiliation: JL of Evanston-North Shore
Mentor: Pat Frey

Janet Weber (Mrs. David)
1825 Les Chateaux Blvd. #104
Naples, FL 34109
592-0757 Cell (630)234-9273 jntweber2@gmail.com
Neighborhood: Pelican Marsh
Affiliation: JL's of Lincoln, Nebraska; Indianapolis, Baton Rouge, Chicago
Mentor: Jane Crosby

Total Number of Members as of March 4--605

CIC REPORT FOR MARCH 7, 2018

The Community Involvement Committee awarded \$284,970.00 this year. There were funds of \$306,576.00 to disburse, the sum after we deducted \$10,000.00 to replace TLC Emergency Fund and the \$33,000 which we donated to Collier Comes Together Disaster Relief Fund. The balance left of \$21,606.00 will be added to the 2018-2019 funds to distribute next year. 3 Agencies were denied funding due to non-compliance with TLC parameters and concern on the Committee's part to fund them. The agencies not funded are:

1. Help a Diabetic Child –issues with financials on the part of the Site Visit Team. The agency had a chance for partial funding, but CIC majority voted none.
2. Immokalee Child Care Center (name changed to Pathways)-ED has left and project was vague and agency seemed in state of transition. Also had a chance for partial funding and CIC voted non.
3. St. Matthews House-project was not specific enough and also site visit team came back with a totally different project that was to be funded from their Grant Application. They did not have an option of partial funding after much discussion.

We need to vote on accepting the CIC grants awarded for this year in order to present the agencies at the General Meeting on March 14.

CIC also voted to change the deadline for agencies to file their Final Report from October 1, to January 15. This enables agencies the time to use their funds and eliminates the request for extensions. There have been more requests for extensions and many organizations do not use their funds over the summer but for continuing programs within a "school year" calendar.

Detailed plans are being made for the Briefcase Breakfast at the Naples Beach Club on Thursday, April 5. Paula McNulty has assembled a committee to help with the breakfast and we hope you can join us.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa McClayton

VPCCommunity

CIC GRANTS 2018

1. ABLE ACADEMY	\$ 6851.00	FULL
2. ANGELS UNDERCOVER	\$10,000.00	FULL
3. BABY BASICS	\$10,000.00	FULL
4. BOOKS FOR COLLIER KIDS	\$13,950.00	FULL
5. BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF COLLIER COUNTY	\$10,000.00	FULL
6. CATHOLIC CHARITIES	\$10,000.00	FULL
7. COLLIER CHILD CARE RESOURCES	\$ 9,009.00	FULL
8. COLLIER COUNTY JUNIOR DEPUTIES LEAGUE OF NAPLES	\$10,000.00	FULL
9. FRIENDS OF FOSTER CARE FOREVER	\$ 7,500.00	FULL
10. FUN TIME EARLY CHILDHOOD ACADEMY	\$ 8,600.00	FULL
11. GOOD WHEELS	\$10,000.00	FULL
12. GRACE PLACE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES	\$20,000.00	FULL
13. GUADALUPE CENTER, INC.	\$15,000.00	FULL
14. GUARDIAN AD LITEM FOUNDATION 20 TH JUDICIAL COURT	\$10,000.00	FULL
15. HABITAT FOR HUMANITY COLLIER COUNTY	\$15,000.00	FULL
16. HARRY CHAPIN FOOD BANK OF SWFL	\$15,000.00	FULL
HELP A DIABETIC CHILD	NONE	
IMMOKALEE CHILD CARE CENTER (PATHWAYS)	NONE	
17. LACES OF LOVE	\$2760.00	FULL
18. LIGHTHOUSE OF COLLIER COUNTY	\$10,000.00	FULL
19. LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF COLLIER COUNTY	\$15,000.0	FULL
20. NAPLES BOTANICAL GARDEN	\$ 8,000.00	FULL
21. NAPLES LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION	\$ 6,000.00	FULL
22. NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CLINIC	\$ 9,800.00	FULL
23. NEW HORIZONS OF SWFL	\$10,000.00	FULL
24. OUR MOTHERS HOME OF SWFL	\$ 5,000.00	FULL
25. PARTNRS FOR BREAST CARE	\$ 8,000.00	FULL
26. SENIOR FRIENDSHIP HEALTH CENTE	\$ 5,000.00	FULL

ST. MATTHEWS HOUSE	NONE
27. THE IMMOKALEE FOUNDATION	\$10,000.00 FULL
28. UNITED ARTS COUNCIL	\$ 3,500.00 FULL
29. YOUTH HAVEN	\$11,000.00 FULL
TOTAL	\$284,970.00 AWARDED

CORRESPONDENCE TAKES HEART

March 2018

Get well and thinking of you cards were sent to:

Marcia and Dick Carthaus (death of Dick's brother Jim Carthaus)

former president Marion Gamble (broken hip from fall in California)

Don Perozzi (husband of Suzanne) – (multiple health issues including a recent spinal fusion)

Community Trust Fund donation acknowledgements were sent to:

Tory Fesmire, Colleen Kaminski, Janey Lahey, Donna Loomis, Sue Newman

League Club wishes are communicated to those in need via telephone calls, emails and cards. If you are aware of anyone who would appreciate hearing from us, please email Mary Cooper, Corresponding Secretary at jdcmw2@earthlink.net or call (239) 591-0883. Committee members include Bette Aymar, Gail Barry, Bev Metcalf, Susie Yoder and Susy Warren. If anyone would like to have their name omitted from the list published in our newsletter, kindly contact Mary Cooper at jdcmw2@earthlink.net.

The League Club Endowment Fund
Board Report

March 7, 2018

A check was received from JMcLaughlin in the amount of \$2,034. This amount represents 15% of the sales at their two locations during the "Sip and Shop" they generously sponsored from 11 AM to 3 PM on February 2nd.

The AmazonSmile Foundation directly deposited a donation of \$12.57 into the Endowment Fund representing .5% of sales made using AmazonSmile by members between October 1st and December 31st.

Another donation was made to The Endowment Fund by Susie Yoder in celebration of the birthdays of members Floss Bogdan and Mary Bradley.

The Endowment Fund balance as of March 1st is \$190,046.