



BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

FineMark National Bank & Trust, Boca Grande Room

800 Laurel Drive, Naples

APPROVED June 7, 2017

President Liz Winebrenner called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M. with a quorum present.

Present: Liz Winebrenner, Nancy Taylor, Melissa McClayton, Katherine Caskey, Mary Beth Jones, Denise Hadley, Maria Lane, Kelly Hutchinson, Dusti Beaubien, Mary Cooper, Deirdre Benson, Kerry Riner, Barbara Ledinsky, Donna Sawers, Donna Loomis, Patti Hepburn, Denise Cazobon, Mary Lou Swartz

Phone: Charlene Barnette, Gigi Stewart, Anne Thomas, Jane Stone

Excused: Julie Wade

President Liz Winebrenner introduced League Club member Pam Becker who led the board orientation. Each board member introduced herself and stated her board position.

Orientation: Ms. Becker thanked us for being part of The League Club board and volunteering our time and energy for the organization. She reminded us that it is a “best practice” and “good governance” to hold an orientation each year. She discussed the legal and liability responsibilities of a nonprofit board. She also discussed the role/responsibilities as a board member and the fiduciary responsibilities required. She reminded us that the “board speaks with one voice or not at all.” She asked us to take time to read the handouts prepared for us and for us to sign and submit a conflict of interest disclosure. All board members are required to have this form on file at the office. It must be submitted annually. The orientation training lasted approximately 45 minutes.

President's Remarks:

- Liz updated board members on recent board changes:
- VP/Development Kris Feeny resigned and was replaced by VP Elect Development Katherine Caskey with Denise Cazobon as the new VP Elect Development.
- Nominating Chairman Margaret Brodeur resigned and was replaced by Donna Loomis with Susan Mainwaring replacing Donna Loomis on the Nominating Committee.
- These changes were voted upon in an Executive Board Meeting held May 3, 2017. No other vote is needed. Treasurer Pat Koenig resigned and Treasurer Elect Molly Monette resigned. Mary Olson will replace Pat Koenig. The position of Treasurer Elect is to be determined. This comes from nominating and needs a vote.
- Nancy Taylor moved that we accept nominating's recommendation of Mary Olson as treasurer; this was seconded by Mary Beth Jones and passed unanimously.
- As per the recommendation of Future Planning, the board has added the position of Endowment Chairman. Mary Lou Swartz will serve as this year's chairman.
- Liz reported that Office Administrator Kristi Foster suggested the September mailing of the directory be delayed to the end of September thus allowing for the inclusion of new members added during the summer. There also was discussion on the amount of new member information to be included in newsletters.

Minutes of the April 5, 2017 Joint Board Meeting:

- Motion to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2017 Joint Board Meeting was made by Katherine Caskey, seconded by Kerry Riner, and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Liz Winebrenner

- Board members received the financials in the board packet. No vote was taken to approve them. Instead, they will be reviewed by the new treasurer and finance committee.
- Six resolutions were presented:
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Past President Margaret Brodeur, Past Treasurer Thayer Caskey and Past Treasurer Elect Pat Koenig no longer will be signers for The League Club, Inc. bank accounts with Iberia Bank.
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following League Club officers be appointed signers of The League Club Inc., Iberia Bank Account #20001037870 and The League Club, Inc., Iberia Bank Money Market Account #20001037889:
President - Elizabeth Winebrenner
President-Elect Charlene Barnette
Treasurer – Mary Olson
- Nancy Taylor moved to accept the resolution as presented; this was seconded by Mary Beth Jones and passed unanimously.

- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Past President Margaret Brodeur, Past Treasurer Thayer Caskey, and Past Treasurer Elect Pat Koenig no longer will be signers for The League Club, Inc. bank account with FineMark Bank.
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following League Club officers be appointed signers of The League Club Inc., FineMark Operating Reserve Account #5965057539:
President - Elizabeth Winebrenner
President-Elect Charlene Barnette
Treasurer – Mary Olson
- Nancy Taylor moved to accept the resolution as presented; this was seconded by Dusti Beaubien and passed unanimously.
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Past President Margaret Brodeur, Past Treasurer Thayer Caskey and Past Treasurer Elect Pat Koenig no longer will be signers for The League Club, Inc. bank accounts with Northern Trust.
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following League Club officers be appointed signers of The League Club Inc., Northern Trust Checking Account #2840917948:
President - Elizabeth Winebrenner
President-Elect Charlene Barnette
Treasurer – Mary Olson
- Kelly Hutchinson moved to accept the resolution as presented; this was seconded by Gigi Stewart and passed unanimously.

Active Agenda

VP/Fundraising – Gigi Stewart

- Plans for this year’s fundraiser are underway. Lesley Stahl will be our speaker at our fundraising event. The title selection for the event has been forwarded to Leslie for her approval.
- Next meeting will be May 18th at Pelican Marsh.
- Suggestions and ideas for this event should be forwarded to Gigi.

VP/Membership – Denise Hadley

- The current membership is 609.
- There are three proposed new members this month:
Diane Bedran (Pelican Marsh), JL Milwaukee, mentor Sherry Whalen
Mary Beidler (Pelican Bay), JL Evanston IL, mentor Kelly Hutchinson
Paula Whitelaw (Park Shore), JL Pelham NY, mentor Jeanne McCarthy
- Motion to accept these three proposed new members was made by Mary Lou Swartz, seconded by Dusti Beaubien, and passed unanimously.

- There were eight resignations: Sarah “Sally” Brown, Claire Dierckes, Emilie Egan, Connie Finger, Christine “Chrissie” Paddock, Barbara “Barbie” Smith, Sandra “Sandy” Smyth, Leslie Willard.
- Current membership stands at 604.

VP/Communications - Nancy Taylor

- A new ad hoc communications committee is being formed and will initially operate within VP/Communication’s oversight.
- Scope of work includes: provide technical support to TLC members on the use of our website, expand/improve TLC Facebook page, explore feasibility of TLC Snapchat account, develop TLC blog, and digitize all TLC photo albums in TLC office.
- *Naples Illustrated* May/June issue had two pages of photos from the 30th Anniversary Gala and the fundraiser Lauren Bush Lauren: Charity by Design.

VP/Community – Melissa McClayton

- The Briefcase Breakfast underwritten by Northern Trust with *eBella* as our media sponsor, was held Friday, April 7 at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. Attendance was 115 with \$294,278 awarded to 31 organizations. Adding in the 30th Anniversary Grant of \$30,000, a total of \$324,278 was awarded this year.

VP/Development – Katherine Caskey

- May 19th will be the first meeting for Development. Katherine recognized Denise Cazobon as the VP Elect of Development.
- The committee is working on developing sponsor packets, and brochures are being updated.
- Anyone wishing to join the committee should contact Katherine.

VP/Education – Mary Beth Jones

- Mary Beth Jones reviewed the membership meetings for 2017-2018. The emphasis for this year’s programs will be community related:
- November 9 – Naples Botanical Garden
December 5 – Barron Collier High School Choir
January 10 – Mark Strain, Collier County Planning Commission Chair
March 14 – Collier County Sheriff’s Office – Citizen Response to Active Shooter Events
April 10 – Annual Meeting

- Locations, with the exception of November 9th at Naples Botanical Garden and the April 10th Annual Meeting at Audubon Country Club, are to be determined.
- New Members will be asked if they would like to volunteer to do check in at membership meetings to help them meet members and be an active part of our organization.

Interest Groups - Donna Sawers

- The possibility of adding a new group is being reviewed. Presently, five members are interested in developing a group for Pickleball. Information will be included in the next newsletter to determine Club interest. A tentative number of 20 is suggested.

Events – Deirdre Benson

- Deirdre reviewed the summer membership meeting schedule and upcoming social events:
- May 10th – Collier Reserve Country Club –program by Kristen Coury, Gulfshore Playhouse
June 15 – Veranda E
July 19 – Barefoot Beach
October 26 – Provence at Park Shore - GNO – theme to be determined/suggestions welcomed
Nov 16 – Welcome Back Party at Hole in the Wall
- A location for the summer potluck is needed.

Nominating – Donna Loomis

- Each board member received her job description and board member guidelines to review.
- A handout listing League Club Resources was reviewed. These resources are found under the Members Only section on our website.
- Applications for self-submission for the 2018-2019 Board of The League Club are available.
- An initial conversation regarding the role of TLC and The Women of Initiative Award process was held.

VI. Consent Agenda

Corresponding Secretary – Mary Cooper

- Cards were sent to Connie Mockenhaupt and Karen Champion Smith.
- Please keep Mary informed of those members who need our support.

VII. Other Business – Liz Winebrenner

- Liz reviewed the handouts in the Board Members' folder.
- She reminded everyone of TLC newsletters' deadlines.
- Mary Cooper has information for anyone wishing to purchase photos from the photographer at our 30th Anniversary Gala.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:37 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Lane

Recording Secretary