



## BOARD MEETING

October 4, 2017

FineMark National Bank & Trust, Boca Grande Room

800 Laurel Oak Drive, Naples

APPROVED November 1, 2017

President Liz Winebrenner called the meeting to order at 9:34 A.M. with a quorum present.

**Present:** Liz Winebrenner, Nancy Taylor, Katherine Caskey, Mary Beth Jones, Gigi Stewart, Denise Hadley, Mary Olson, Karen Lutz, Maria Lane, Kelly Hutchinson, Anne Thomas, Dusti Beaubien, Mary Cooper, Kerry Riner, Donna Sawers, Patti Hepburn, Denise Cazobon, Mary Lou Schwartz

**Phone:** Charlene Barnette, Melissa McClayton, Deirdre Benson, Julie Wade, Donna Loomis, Jane Stone

**Excused:** Barbara Ledinsky

### **President's Remarks:**

- President Liz Winebrenner welcomed everyone to the meeting. She then previewed the upcoming year for board members.
- Liz Winebrenner moved to change the Standing Rules and add to BOARD OF DIRECTORS 4. There shall be the following standing committees: (following Corresponding Secretary) *Endowment: oversee the Endowment Fund, including all contributions made to the Fund annually.*
- Mary Beth Jones moved we accept the motion as read; Gigi Stewart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- A few people have expressed interest in the position of office administrator. The job description of this position will be reviewed and updated. Liz acknowledged the work of Kristi Foster. Gigi Stewart, Mary Olson, Denise Hadley, and Liz will meet to determine an appropriate gift to show our appreciation for all that she did for TLC as office administrator. We are grateful to Kristine Feeney for volunteering to work as office administrator until someone is hired.

### **Minutes of the June 7, 2017 Board Meeting:**

- Motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2017 minutes was made by Mary Cooper, seconded by Gigi Stewart, and passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report** – Mary Olson

- The July and August financial reports were reviewed by Mary and found to be in order.
- The 990 has been prepared and filed on time.
- The Community Trust Fund portion of Dues has been transferred to Fundraising Income.
- **Mary Olson moved that we accept the July and August financial reports. Motion passed.**
- A Northern Trust Banking Account was opened when we made arrangements for a credit card. This card has never been used.
- **Mary Olson moved that the Basic Checking Account #2841061773 at Northern Trust with a balance of \$100 be closed. Motion passed.**
- Mary asked members to review the article in the current newsletter detailing the regulations regarding Charitable Donations and Taxes. These regulations are particularly important when a donation is made from a personal charitable gift fund.
- Instructions for gifts of stock will be on the website under resources.
- Please have the Treasurer review any materials sent to members referencing donations.
- When pricing an event, contact the office or the Treasurer to make sure there is not another activity with the same cost.

**CIC** – Melissa McClayton (report attached)

- The Screening Committee met on Friday, September 22, 2017. The total funds to be distributed this year is \$349,576. TLC utilized its Emergency Fund of \$10,000 to donate to the Collier County Comes Together Disaster Relief Fund, formed by the Collier Community Trust. CIC funds of \$10,000 will replenish the Emergency Fund by the end of the fiscal year. Funds now stand at \$339,567.
- The Screening Committee then moved to donate 10% (\$33,000) of their remaining funds to the Collier County Comes Together Disaster Relief Fund. On Thursday, September 28, CIC held a conference call and unanimously passed the motion.
- **Melissa McClayton moved that the board approve the additional donation of \$33,000 to the Collier County Comes Together Disaster Relief Fund. Passed unanimously.**
- This proposal will be voted upon by the general membership in November.
- CIC Orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8, 2017 from 9 A.M. to 11 A.M.

**Membership** – Denise Hadley (report attached)

- Current membership is 604.
- There are four new members proposed this month:

Elizabeth Ehrhart Blaine (Bonita Springs), JL Chicago, mentor Karen Lutz  
 Bonnie Semple Carlson (Wilderness) JL Cleveland, mentor Anita Smith  
 Susan Shamnsky Lamberson (Marco Island) JL Chicago, mentor Deirdre  
 Benson

Vada Patterson Love (Hammock Bay) JL Charleston WV, JL Cincinnati, JL  
 Sarasota, mentor TBD

- **A motion to accept these four new members was made by Denise Hadley, seconded by Dusti Beaubien, and passed unanimously.**

- Eight members submitted resignations: Katherine Brady, Patricia Nelson, Patricia Clerkin, Jane Darling, Constance Gattle, Carol Jones, Mary Koester, Dolores Owen.
- **Motion to accept with regret the resignations of these eight members in good standing was made by Denise Hadley, seconded by Kelly Hutchinson, and passed unanimously.**
- The death of Mary Lou Cook was acknowledged.
- Current membership stands at 599.

#### **Nominating** – Donna Loomis

- Donna reviewed the background of TLC nomination Bunny Brooks for Women of Initiative.
- **Donna Loomis moved that the board ratify the decision of the Nominating Committee to nominate Bunny Brooks as our Women of Initiative candidate for 2018. Motion passed.**
- Self-Submission forms for the 2018-2019 Board are now available. Please return the form to Donna Loomis before November 1, 2017.

#### **VP/Education** – Mary Beth Jones

- Our first general membership meeting of the season will be held November 9, 2017 at the Naples Botanical Garden. Mary Beth asked board members to sign up to be greeters. New members who volunteer to be greeters will be paired with a board member.

#### **Area Meetings** – Kelly Hutchinson

- Information regarding area meetings will be provided next month.

#### **Endowment**- Mary Lou Swartz

- The Endowment Fund balance as of September 30, 2017 is \$166,637.
- Mary Lou will be meeting with Mary Olson and the Finance Committee to review several new possibilities for TLC to significantly increase the Endowment Fund balance in the future.

#### **Correspondence** – Mary Cooper (report attached)

- Three sympathy cards, eleven get well and thinking of you cards, two electronic thinking of you messages or phone calls of support, and an acknowledgement of a Community Trust Fund donation in honor of Melissa McClayton were sent.
- Please send Mary Cooper names of those in need of a telephone call, email, or card. You may also contact committee members Bette Aymar, Gail Barry, Bev Metcalf, Susie Yoder and Susy Warren.
- There was a discussion about health care privacy. Members are encouraged to give Mary or committee members the names of TLC members who would benefit from our correspondence. If the person does not wish to have their name listed in our newsletter, let Mary Cooper know.
- One of our long term members has volunteered to serve as a resource to anyone dealing with drug abuse in their family. Mary will talk to this woman and ask her to develop a proposed plan of action.

#### **Community Liaison** – Dusti Beaubien

- Katie Schweikhardt at Meals of Hope has said their warehouse is full of supplies for Irma victims, and their organization is in need of volunteers to help sort these donations. The time and date will be in an upcoming EBlast.
- The event Charity for Change will be coming soon.

#### **Interest Groups** – Donna Sawers

- The Party Bridge Group and the Art Appreciation Group are both in need of chairmen. If no one volunteers, the groups will disband. Information will be forthcoming in an Eblast.
- The new interest group Pickleball will be chaired by Julie Wade. Lessons/Games will be played at Veterans Park on Monday afternoons.

**Fundraising** – Gigi Stewart

- A temporary proof of the invitation to our fundraiser with Leslie Stahl has been completed.
- Suzie Kountz has once again offered to do the stuffing party at her home on October 26.
- Invitations will be mailed the end of October.
- Cost of the patron party has increased from \$300 to \$325; this was approved by the executive board on September 21. This price increase will assist the office administrator to differentiate the luncheon reservations.

**Designers Show House** – Jane Stone

- Information regarding the Designers Show House and other possible fundraising events will be provided next month.

**Closing Remarks** –Liz Winebrenner

- Volunteers are needed to cover TLC office when Kristine Feeney is unavailable. Please contact Liz.

**Meeting Adjourned** 10:54 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Lane, Recording Secretary

**REPORTS ATTACHED**

BOARD REPORT FROM CIC, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017

THE SCREENING COMMITTEE MET ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2017. THE TOTAL FUNDS TO BE DISTRIBUTED THIS YEAR BY CIC WAS \$349, 576.00 WE HAD TO DEDUCT \$10,000 FROM THAT AMOUNT THAT WAS USED FROM TLC'S EMERGENCY FUND TO DONATE TO : COLLIER COUNTY COMES TOGETHER DISASTER RELIEF FUND, FORMED BY THE COLLIER COMMUNITY TRUST. IT IS REQUIRED BY OUR BY-LAWS THAT WE REPLACE IMMEDIATELY OUR EMERGENCY FUND. OUR FUNDS THEN STOOD AT \$339, 576.00.

A MOTION WAS THEN MADE TO DONATE 10 PERCENT OF THIS YEARS FUNDS, \$33,000, TO THE SAME FUND, CCTDRF. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MOTION WAS TO ADDRESS THE CRITICAL NEEDS THAT WILL STILL BE ONGOING AND ALSO TO

MORE CLEARLY ADDRESS THE INDIVIDUAL GRANT PROPOSALS FROM AGENCIES THAT WERE MADE BEFORE THE HURRICANE OCCURRED BY THE SCREENING COMMITTEE. IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY PASSED BY THE SCREENING COMMITTEE.

THE RESULTS OF THE SCREENING COMMITTEE VOTE OF AGENCIES THAT WE ARE CONSIDERING FUNDING THIS YEAR IS ON A SEPARATE PAGE.

LIZ WINEBRENNER AND MYSELF SPOKE WITH EILEEN CONNELLY-KESLER AT THE COMMUNITY TRUST TO GATHER INFORMATION REGARDING HOW LONG THIS FUND WOULD BE IN OPERATION AND ALSO THE AREAS OF GREATEST NEED. WE WERE ADVISED THAT IT WOULD BE RUNNING FOR AWHILE AS THE NEED IS GREAT AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE. WHILE THE PHYSICAL PLANTS OF AGENCIES ARE GENERALLY IN GOOD SHAPE, THE PEOPLE SERVED IS DOUBLE AND MORE. THE WATER SHORTAGE MAY BE ALLEVIATED, FOOD, CLOTHING, HOUSING AND THE APPROACHING HOLIDAYS ARE ALL AREAS OF CONTINUED CONCERN. THE AREAS OF IMMOKALEE, GOLDEN GATE AND EAST NAPLES HAVE THE MOST CONCENTRATED POPULATIONS OF WORKING POOR AND CHILDREN. THEY ALSO ARE THE AREAS THAT HELP SERVE NAPLES AND BONITA SPRINGS.

WE THEN GATHERED THE CIC AND HELD A CONFERENCE CALL ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

OUT OF 36 MEMBERS, 22 WERE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE ON THE CALL AND IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY PASSED TO DONATE THE \$33,000 TO CCTDRF. WE ALSO HAD 9 MEMBERS EMAIL THEY WHOLE HEARTEDLY VOTED YES BUT COULD NOT JOIN THE CALL. THEIR VOTES DID NOT COUNT AS TLC DOES NOT ACCEPT ELECTRONIC VOTING. THAT MEANS THAT 31 OF 36 CIC MEMBERS SUPPORTED THIS DONATION. I DID NOT HEAR FROM THE 5 OTHER MEMBERS.

THE PROPOSAL NOW GOES TO TLC BOARD AND THEN TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

CIC ORIENTATION IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 9:00 – 11:00 AM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MELISSA MCCLAYTON

VP COMMUNITY

## **2017 LEAGUE CLUB MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

### **PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS:**

**BLAINE Elizabeth Ehrhart** *Gregory*  
In FL: Nov - May  
23173 Oakglen Lane  
Bonita Springs FL 34135 (The Brooks)  
Cell: (630)247-8448  
eeblaine@aol.com  
JL Affiliation: JL of Chicago IL  
Mentor: Karen Lutz

**CARLSON Bonnie Semple** *George R. Barry*  
In FL: Oct - May  
103 Clubhouse Drive  
Naples FL 34105 (Wilderness)  
430-4522 / Cell: (216)789-9153  
bonboncarlson@gmail.com  
JL Affiliation: JL Cleveland OH  
Mentor: Anita Smith

**LAMBERSON Susan Shamnsky** *Harry*  
In FL: Oct - May  
940 Cape Marco Drive # 1806  
Marco Island FL 34145 (Marco Island)  
389-1922 / Cell: (847)561-8643  
[slamberson@aol.com](mailto:slamberson@aol.com)  
JL Affiliation: JL Chicago IL  
Mentor: Deirdre Benson

**LOVE Vada Patterson** *Steven*  
In FL: Sep - Jun  
1050 Borghese Lane #106  
Naples FL 34114 (Hammock Bay)  
Cell: (513)460-3128  
[vadap@msn.com](mailto:vadap@msn.com)  
JL Affiliation: JL Charleston WV, JL Cincinnati OH, JL Sarasota FL  
Mentor : TBD

#### **RESIGNATIONS:**

Katherine "Kathy" Brady\*  
Patricia "Pat" Nelson\*  
Patricia "Pat" Clerkin  
Jane "Janie" Darling  
Constance "Connie" Gattle  
Carol Jones  
Mary Koester  
Dolores "Dee" Owen

*\*Not listed in May but submitted resignations.*

#### **DEATHS:**

Mary Lou Cook

**CURRENT MEMBERSHIP: 604 + 4 Proposed New Members – 9 Resignations/Deaths = 599**

## **CORRESPONDENCE TAKES HEART**

**Summer/Fall 2017**

### **A sympathy card was sent to:**

Judy Price on the death of her husband Tom  
Sally Robson on the death of her husband Monty  
Marge Weaver on the death of her husband Jim

### **Get well and thinking of you cards were sent to:**

Thayer and Charlie Caskey, Jake Craig, Hilda Emerson, JoAnn and Michael Henneman, Suzie Kountz, Dianne Murray, Joyce Richter, Midge Shepard, Louise Urick, Cards were also sent to two members who wish to remain anonymous.

### **Electronic thinking of you messages were emailed or phone calls of support made to:**

Steele Stewart (husband of Nancy Stewart), Roz Wyche

### **Community Trust Fund donation acknowledgements were sent to:**

Paul Weaver, BMO Harris Private Bank in Winnetka, IL (given in honor of Melissa McClayton's efforts)

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](mailto: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](mailto:jdcmw2@earthlink.net).