



Executive Meeting Minutes February 26, 2024 7:00 p.m. Lions Hall

Attendees:

Lions: Brian Havard, Christiane Zoidl, Megan Bennett, Mike Barker, Rick Metcalfe, Howard Wetmore, Ron Head, Sylvia Brock, and Kirby Brock

1. Call to Order/Welcome: Lion Mike President Barker

Motion: Lion Kirby Brock "That the Executive extend voting privileges to Lions; Rick Metcalfe Ron Head and Howard Wetmore for the meeting."

Second: Lion Brian Havard

Motion: *Carried*

2. Minutes of the January 29, 2024, Meeting:

Motion: Lion Brian Havard "That the minutes of the meeting of January 29, 2024, be accepted as presented."

Second: Lion Kirby Brock

Motion: *Carried*

3. Correspondence: Lion Mike Barker

A) **Trinity United Church**

-a thank you note was received from Trinity United Church for the Club's donation towards an industrial dishwasher

B) **Camp Kirk**

-annual report
-20 50/50 fundraising tickets @ 10 each

Motion: Lion Kirby Brock "That the Club support Camp Kirk's fundraising draw and purchase the 20 tickets @\$10 each."

Second: Lion Sylvia Brock

Motion: *Carried*

C) **Sleeping Children Around the World**

-tax receipt for donation and newsletter

4. Treasurer's Report: Lion Ron Head

-new format of reporting introduced and discussed
-for refund requests, send the Treasurer a digital copy of all the receipts by email
-one email per refund request, do not put different activities on the same email

5. Financial Management Proposal: Lion Ron Head

- the Finance committee suggests investing money from the Lottery Trust account but are looking for guidelines as to what to invest in
- preferably low risk and easily liquidated

6. Non-Profit email from Lion Jim Doak: Lion Ron Head

- a new Provincial law comes into effect in October 2024 under the Corporations Act
- the Club's Constitution and By-Laws must be compliant
- Club should get a notice from the Provincial Government
- Lion Larry Sikorski looking into this

7. Keys for Lions Basement: Lion Christiane Zoidl

- members encounter difficulties accessing the storage room because the door at the bottom of the stairs is always locked and not easy to find a Town employee to open it
- there is no Town contact # to make arrangements in advance
- the key that opens that door opens all doors in the building so the Club is not likely to obtain one
- Lion Mike Barker to inquire about a key

8. Cabinet Meeting Updates: Lion Sylvia Brock

- deferred

9. Guest Speaker: Lion Sylvia Brock

- the teacher running the Maple Leaf PS music department
- April 8th meeting

10. Lions Camp Joseph Donation for new Bus: Lion Sylvia Brock

- historically, CNIB wanted more control of the guide dog training as dogs weren't being supplied fast enough to keep up with the demand
- Camp Joseph has the only international camp for the blind and they offer great programs there
- children in Ontario are bussed to the Camp
- District A16 has sponsored the Camp but it is not a Lions run Camp
- Lions Clubs sponsor children to attend
- MDA has asked for donations from Clubs
- MDA will request a dollar-for-dollar grant from Lions International
- Lions will be recognized for this donation

Motion: Lion Kirby Brock "That the Executive once again, recommends to the Club to donate \$1,000 to the Camp Joseph new bus fundraiser."

Second: Lion Brian Havard

Motion: *Carried*

11) Website: Lion Ron Head

- remove old minutes
- change colour of contact information-yellow is not very visible
- remove Treasurer's duties
- Lion Megan Bennett will attempt to make these changes

12) Committee Reports

A) **Bingo:** Lion Ron Head

- a non-compliance notice was received for a volunteer missing their shift
- Lion Sylvia Brock suggested that non-Lion Volunteer Marylou Alessandrini be given the responsibility of reminding Lion volunteers.
- in January the Club made approximately \$1,411 per Bingo session
- The Club will lose approximately \$705 for the lost shift

B) **Community/School Requests:**

Hearing Aid: Lion Sylvia Brock

- a grade 8 student, new to Canada is requesting assistance
- we are waiting for the audiologist's report
- will consult with Canadian Hearing Services when all information has been received
- looking into District funding

Maple Leaf PS: Lion Kirby Brock

- the music department is requesting funding for a bass clarinet, \$699 plus tax

Motion: Lion Kirby Brock "That the Club fund the purchase of a bass clarinet in the amount of \$699 plus tax, for the Maple Leaf PS's music program."

Second: Lion Howard Wetmore

Motion: *Carried*

Southlake Walk-a-thon: Lion Kirby Brock

- expecting up to 1,600 people
- peameal bacon on a bun or eggs on a bun for vegetarians
- access to the Tannery building has been denied
- trying to get permission to use the Seniors Meeting place
- 120kg of bacon to be cooked on Saturday in the Lions Hall kitchens
- set up on Sunday will start at 6:30 a.m.at the latest as road will be closed
- it is Southlake Foundations 100th anniversary
- participants will receive a ticket/voucher for free meal, others must pay
- all the Club's expenses will be considered by Southlake as a donation

C) **Effective Speaking:** Lion Kirby Brock

- should have enough people
- presently, 32 speakers
- need to set up at Trinity on Friday, Lion Mike Barker to verify the time
- it costs \$606 to send 1 student and 1 parent to the MDA competition

13. Good of Lionism:

Music Festival: Lion Kirby Brock

- York Region schools used to host a 1-night choir competition
- they may request funding to assist with venue rental if they proceed this year

***Next Executive meeting: Monday March 25, 2024 ***

Newmarket Lions Club President: Mike Barker
Newmarket Lions Club Secretary: Megan Bennett