



Executive Meeting Minutes October 30, 2023 7:00 p.m. Lions Hall

Attendees:

Lions: Brian Havard, Christiane Zoidl, Megan Bennett, Mike Barker, Don Gardiner,
Sylvia Brock, Kirby Brock and Marilyn Gray

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

2. **Minutes of the September 26, 2023 Meeting:**

Motion: Lion Brian Havard- "That the minutes of the meeting of September 26, 2023 be accepted as presented."

Second: Lion Sylvia Brock

Motion: *Carried*

3. **Correspondence:**

a) **Canada Post**

- for a fee of \$15.90 a key is available for after hours entry to the mail box
- not necessary

b) **Dog Santa**

- request from Ren's Pet Food for someone to act as Santa for pet photos
- notice was sent to members, no interest

4. **Treasurer's Report:** None

5. **Replace Lion Ellen's Name Tag :**

- Lion Ellen's nametag and coat were accidently given away at Coats for Kids
- the North Newmarket Lions Club will pay for a new nametag and a new coat for her

6. **New Member Dues/Shirts:**

- a ruling was previously made that any new member's first year dues are free but only up to Lions Year End (June 30th), regardless of when they were inducted or joined
- LCI dues must be up to date for members to be allowed to vote
- a Lions pin from the "New Members" package can be given, so new member will be recognized as a Lion at events
- shirts should only be presented to new members after a period of time, to see if they are actually committed
- new shirts to be purchased without member's name
- members can purchase their own shirts with their name on it if they wish

Motion: Lion Megan Bennett- "That Judith Lalonde and Cathy Simms should be removed from the roster."

Second: Lion Christiane Zoidl

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: Lion Mike Barker- "That free, new member shirts not be given out until a decision is made by the "Honorary Committee" as to commitment of the new member."

Second: Lion Don Gardiner

Motion: *Carried*

7. Canadian Hearing Speaker:

- Lion Sylvia Brock to invite Angela Pagnello Mantle to be a guest speaker at the January 15th meeting
- presentation will include helping students with hearing issues

8. Seniors Christmas gifts and cards:

- Mackenzie Place and Southlake Village Senior Residences have already made contact with the Club
- Southlake has asked for 200 toiletry kits
- past issues with Christmas cards not being properly distributed so the Club will forgo this year
- The Club will address other senior residences if they make contact, we will not actively connect as many other service clubs provide cards/gifts
- Lions Marilyn Gray and Sylvia Brock to contact Mackenzie Place and Southlake Village respectively, to inquire as to how many seniors actually have no outside support
- Bargains Group has items you can buy in bulk
- Friend of Lions, Mary Gardiner presented some lovely Christmas tags for viewing

9. Committee Reports:

A) Requests: Lion Sylvia Brock

- Former Lioness Kay Williams has requested financial assistance with the purchase of a wheelchair
- 75% of the cost will be covered by Government grants, she is asking for assistance with 25%
- Lion Sylvia Brock is waiting for her to provide a quote
- The Club was contacted by a person who wishes to donate a wheelchair, will see if it is compatible

B) School Requests: Lion Kirby Brock

- The North Newmarket Lions Club will assist the 8 separate schools with nutrition programs
- Michelle Dimoglou of YDSB named Stuart Scott and Prince Charles Elementary schools as schools in desperate need of a breakfast program
- for the Club to assist a school, they should have a program in place and provide information as to the number of children supported, other sources of funding
- Lion Kirby Brock has reached out to several schools with no response
- Club has a \$15,000 budget

C) Santa Fund/Lunch: Lion Kirby Brock

- close to having advertising sorted out
- want to add link to donate
- the Maple Leaf ladies who provide toys and hampers are worn out-will only assist 100 families this year and require recipients to pick up toys and hampers-no delivery
- Lion Rick Metcalfe has located a gentleman who may play Santa
- Lion Rick Metcalfe has rented 2 fryers for \$650 to be delivered to his home on the Saturday
- we need to form a committee at the next Club meeting

D) Vision Screening: Lion Sylvia Brock

- Larry Doble, the District Vision Chair, has sent a letter to the Superintendent of York District, he is not getting a response.
- we are now pushed out to January or February if it happens at all
- the issue seems to be “equity” All children or no children

10. Good of Lionism:

A) -Pull tabs and Pill bottles Collections

- collection of pill bottles to be discontinued, too expensive to ship to U.S.
- pull tab collection to continue - Lion Mark Donneral -mdonneral@lionsa16.com
- tabs can be dropped off at 80 King St Lindsay Ont.

B) -Succession Planning

- the Club needs to train new volunteers to take over from the Brocks

ADJOURNMENT: 8:16 P.M.

***Next Executive meeting: Monday November 27, 2023 *
Meal Kit assembly to precede the meeting**

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

