Regular Minutes of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club Tuesday May 13, 2014 at 7PM at the Lions Den

Members: 11 Guests: 2

President Stedman opened the meeting promptly. Lion Paul led the pledges to both flags. Lion Audrey gave prayer. Lion Don led us in singing "Oh Beautiful, Beautiful Texas."

After the meal, guests Josh Vasquez, Eagle Scout Candidate of Troop 61, and his father, Alex, spoke. Josh reported that he has been involved with Scouting since prior to Cub Scouts, having been with his older brother in his early Scouting years. His Eagle Scout project is a watering system at the Church which sponsors Troop 61. This project is not an irrigation system, but an overall water access system throughout the Church property with multiple water spigots which could be used by various Church groups. The piping would be buried 18 inches underground. These watering spigots could be used for car washes by the Church or Scouts and for other occasions. Josh was requesting funds for his project, estimated to cost approximately \$1940 for the PVC water pipes, spigots, and renting the machine to dig the pipe trenches. He and Scouts would provide the labor. He has until his 18th birthday, June 23, to complete this project. His father has previously worked installing building sprinkler systems, and would be advising and supervising Josh's project. Lion Chuck vouched for the integrity of Josh and his father, saying they worked our concession stand on Monday evenings, and many weekends. Our contribution to this project will be discussed later in the meeting.

Lion Stedman asked for Good Deeds done. Lion Audrey reported that she paid the fine for President Stedman forgetting the trophy our Club won at the District Convention. Lion Milly did a neck massage to the man bagging her groceries who complained of a stiff neck.

Minutes of the last meeting were received by all, offered for approval by Lion Paul, seconded by Lion Chuck, and accepted as written.

The VIPS (Volunteers in Public Schools) Luncheon will be tomorrow, Wed. May 14 from 11AM to 1PM. Our Club has purchased 4 tickets. Lions Chuck and Sandy will attend. Lion Stedman will see if Lions Bud and Dorothy still wish to attend, and if not, he and Lion Audrey will go.

Lions Bud and Dorothy are absent because their daughter Theresa had surgery today.

Lion Paul has requested District Governor Elect Chris Moorman to be the installing officer on June 24. Secretary Sandy will send a formal request. Spouses and guests are cordially invited.

Lion John reported on the District Convention held May 2 and 3. It was a lot of fun, with team treasure hunts involving many District Charities. Lion John was wearing a medal from Team Lighthouse in a three way tie for first place, which earned \$500 towards the Light House of Houston and the other tying charities. Five people were recognized at the District Governor's Outstanding Achievement Luncheon. Chris Moorman was elected for District Governor. Lion Stedman gave a hard race for the Trustee of the Lions Eye Bank of Texas, but was not the victor. Lion John successfully won his race for elected Director of the Lighthouse of Houston. The food was great, and

the speaker, IPID Joe Al Picone, was wonderful. He encouraged all to attend the District Convention next year.

Treasurer's report was given and moved for audit.

There was a 60 game Tournament on our fields last weekend, but there will be an even bigger tournament this coming weekend, with about 70-75 games scheduled. Games start Friday, and Lions Chuck and Sandy will work that night. Please be available when Lion Littlejohn calls to schedule for the weekend.

Lion Amanda reported on the next Fun Social, scheduled for Friday May 30 at 8PM at Bane Park. If the mosquitoes are too bad, we can retreat to the building. This will be an ice cream/dessert social. Bring your favorite ice cream or dessert. Lion Amanda will send notices out to everyone prior to the event. As usual, family and guests are encouraged to come and just have fun with us.

President Stedman reported that at the District Convention, Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club came in second place on the Club visitation contest. Unfortunately, he forgot to bring the trophy which we won, which now puts him in the dog house by his Partner in Service, as she paid his fine for forgetting it.

Lion Sandy reported hearing of a family of three children and the mother who have need for a low vision screener. The mother and three of the children have albinism, and the children are able to use low vision screeners at school, but have none at home. An email vote by the Board of Directors has been accepted for us to purchase this devise for the family, through the Humanitarian Relief Fund Matching Grant program. We also hope t get these kids to the Texas Lions Camp also.

Lion Chuck reported that he and Lion Amanda are trying to get a hearing aid for a girl in school, but the mother has been slow on her part.

Lion Chuck, seconded by Lion Kamal, motioned that we donate \$250 to Eagle Scout Candidate Josh Vasquez for his Eagle Scout project he presented tonight. Motion carried. The money will need to be paid directly to the vendors or Troop 61.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM after a hearty Lions Roar. Tail Twister collected \$6.45 in assorted fines.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Martin, Secretary