

**Regular Minutes of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club
Tuesday February 10, 2015 at 7PM at the Lions Den**

Members: 12

Guests: 2

President Paul opened the meeting promptly. Lion Stedman led the pledges to the flags. Lion Clayton gave prayer. Lion Don led us in singing "America." Guests were introduced, Lion Charlie Ferguson from the Floydada Lions Club, and his niece Vivian Saul. President Paul reported that he had a cataract removed last week, and could not see well with or without his glasses yet.

Lion Becca spoke on the Friends of Scouting Initiative. Pamphlets were given out which explained that the Soaring Eagle District is composed of 16 counties, serving 58,000 youth. Scouting is evolving, and today Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Venture Crew Scouts all use the same pledge and oath. It is amazing that the Scout curriculum follows very closely that of the typical school curriculum, with Scouting bringing to life what the kids learn in school, making it more interesting and retained. Eighty-four percent of Scouting revenue goes towards programs in Scouting. Every adult person who works with any of the Scouts is required to take Youth Protection Training. Every District has only one paid management person. The Friends of Scouting initiative provides 21% of revenues obtained, the largest revenue entity, through both family and corporate sponsorships and donations. Our Club has again budgeted \$1000 for Scouting endeavors. Lion Becca explained that Thurs. March 5 is the Soaring Eagle District Patrons Dinner, and motioned that four persons from our Club attend this dinner. Lion Bud seconded, and motion passed. Those electing to attend were Lions Bud, Dorothy, Paul, and his wife Cherie. At the close of her presentation, Lion Becca presented President Paul with a Friends of Scouting Cap in appreciation of our Clubs support.

Secretary reported that minutes of the last meeting were emailed to all members. There were not corrections reported. Motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Lion Chuck, seconded by Lion Becca, and passed.

Treasurer's report was given. All District, State, and International dues are paid and current. Lion Terry thought the Berry Center for the Magic Show was too expensive, but felt like that venue helped the paid staff to sell tickets. Lion Dorothy asked how much we still owed on our Texas Lions Camp Endowment Pledge. Lion Chuck reported that approximately \$3600 remains to be paid.

Lion Bud reported that our Club has been scheduled for Work Day at the Texas Lions Camp on Saturday March 28. We will again be assigned general clean up. Lion Bud needs to know who plans to spend the night in the Bunk Houses, and who plans to take meals there, so that the Camp can be prepared. Lion Becca reported that she has several Venture Crew kids who want to go to Work Day again this year. There will be a baseball tournament that weekend that will need workers also. Those currently planning to attend Work Day included Lions Becca and several Crew and parents, and Lions Bud and Dorothy. Lion Stedman wants to go but will need to see if Lion Audrey and girls will also be able to attend.

There will be a baseball tournament this weekend with approximately 21 games. President Paul will be calling for concession stand workers after Lion Chuck obtains the schedule later this week.

The Bowl-A-Thon for the Lions Eye Bank of Texas will be Saturday March 4. Lions Paul, John, Terry, and Stedman are registered. Others are encouraged to watch and cheer them on.

There will be a Board of Directors meeting immediately after the meeting.

With no further business, Lion Don dismissed us after a hearty Lions Roar. Tail Twister collected \$10.30 in assorted fines.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Martin, Secretary