

**Regular Minutes of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club  
Tuesday June 23, 2015 at 7PM at the Lions Den**

**Members: 7**

**Guests: 2**

President Paul called the meeting to order with a light bang of the gavel to his head, since he had no bell handy. Lion John led the pledges to the flags. Lion Stedman gave prayer. Lion Chuck, seconded by Lion John, motioned not to have a song, as Lion Don was not there. Motion passed.

Secretary's minutes, as presented by Lion Dorothy in the absence of the usual Secretary, were emailed to everyone. President Paul had a correction. At the end of the meeting, he presented Lion Don with an award for being the most tenured Lion, and to Lion Patrick, an award for the newest Lion. President Paul explained that Lion Patrick could emulate Lion Don in his Lions career. Lion Dorothy explained that she was very stressed prior to the last meeting and was sorry she missed this important part. She also reported that they called Jesse and cancelled 3 meals, for which we need to receive credit.

Treasurer's report was given. All bills are paid, including building insurance for the year. It was noted that we spent \$3263 on building repairs this past year. Lion Chuck reported that the Waller Lions Club owned a building similar to ours, which they recently sold because they could not afford upkeep and repairs. Their building was older than ours, but Lion Chuck stressed the importance of keeping up with minor repairs so that major repairs may not be needed. There still seems to be a water leak in our yard where the recycle bin sat, although the plumber has not been able to pinpoint a problem, but the area remains with a large puddle of water. Water pressure remains normal, however. When asked if we have the blueprints of the land layout and systems, Lion Chuck reported that we inherited the building and ground which were built by the Fairbanks Civic Association in the 1960's, and no one knows of such drawings.

There will be a baseball tournament this weekend. The schedule has not been received as of yet. President Paul states 3 of the 6 shifts are covered. He cannot work this weekend, and Lion Amanda will be out of town.

Lion Paul still has tickets for the Lions Eye Bank of Texas fundraiser. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. First prize is \$1000. The drawing will be held July 20, 2015.

President Paul attended a Boy Scout Day Camp event recently. He was given a patch for our banner, and a Home Town Heroes backpack, which it was decided could be saved for the Bob Dowden Dinner in October.

President Paul read a Thanks You note from DGE Noah Speer thanking us for inviting him to conduct our Installation last meeting. He was especially surprised by the Life Membership to the Lions Eye Bank of Texas which we presented to him. Lion Chuck reported that the same honor has been bestowed on President Paul, but was forgotten to be presented at the last meeting.

There was a plea made via email for Lions to ride the Camp Bus June 28 and July 4. Lion Bud stated that he will go, and has two young people to go with him.

Lion Stedman and Lion Bud continue to work on the Magic Show. They are looking to use Cy-Falls High School, and aiming for Sept. or mid to late Oct. date. Our Annual Bike ride will be Sunday Oct. 4, so we cannot have the Magic Show on that date.

Lion Paul has been elected as Chairman of the PSC meeting.

Lion Chuck reported on his search for funding for the Early Vision Screener. He is working with LCIF for a grant. Per their rules, we can't do this as a single Club, but need to be with at least two other Clubs. LCIF needs all the grant materials to them 90 days prior to the LCIF meeting, so that those committee members will have a chance to receive and review our application. Therefore, the earliest he can have all the information in will be for their December meeting. Both the Klein and Katy Lions Clubs have expressed interest in combining with another Club to purchase the Early Vision Screener. President Paul will contact them and offer this opportunity. Lion Chuck is also working on a grant for the District to purchase an Early Vision Screener.

It was reported that Lion Clayton had a heart attack about three weeks ago, and may still be in the hospital. Lion Sandy will contact his wife and send an email update on his condition.

Lion Sandy reported that a Diabetic Camper whom we sponsored for several years, Megan Seiver, is a counselor at Texas Lions Camp for the entire summer. Last year she went only during Diabetes Camp to assist. Lion Chuck suggested we invite her as a speaker after Camp is over, and perhaps offer a scholarship to her.

Lion Chuck reported that we have been paying the optometrists who work with our Lions Club and the Cy-Fair School nurses the same \$50 for the exam and eyeglasses for longer than he has been a member of this Club, prior to 1993. He suggested that perhaps we should consider giving our participating optometrists a raise. He will get ideas of the actual cost of the exam and eyeglasses from five different optometrists, and offer a suggested increase to the Board of Directors. It was noted that families still pay \$15 towards the exam and glasses so that they are invested in the program as well.

With no further business, Lion John closed the meeting at 8:20PM after a dysfunctional group roar.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Martin, Secretary