Regular Minutes of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club Tuesday Feb. 14, 2017 at 7PM at the Lions Den

Members: 13 Guests: 4

President Paul opened the meeting at 7:04 PM. He said he was ready at 7, but several Lions were working on replacing batteries to the door. To which Lion Keith said, "How many Lions does it take to fix a door?" Lion John led the pledges to the flags. Lion Don led us in singing "America". President Paul gave prayer. Guests were introduced: Lion Jean Denson from the Moulton Lions Club, guest of Lion Bud, Steve Nickerson, who has turned in application for membership, and Nahid Poonawala, wife of Lion Mazher. Jurry Henson, cousin of Lion Seth, was also visiting and expressed interest in membership.

After the meal, President Paul had a drawing, and the winner, Lion Seth Roberts, won a bag of chocolate candy.

Lion Seth was awarded a Silver Centennial Pin for recruiting a new member who stayed in Lions for at least a year.

Secretary reported minutes of the last meeting were emailed to all. The only known mistake was a misspelling of Lion Merrell's name, which has been corrected. Lion Chuck, seconded by Lion John, motioned to accepted minutes as corrected. Motion passed.

Lion Chuck gave the Treasurer's report.

We discussed the shed at the entrance to our driveway. The building was moved from the Cy-Fair Rodeo grounds in 2005, where we used it as our concession stand during the demolition and subsequent rebuilding of our current concession stand. Since then, the Cy-Fair Sports Association has used it as a coaches/tournament directors building. The building has not been painted or repaired since it was moved here. The paint is peeling and chipping, there is mold on it and the boards by the door and windows have rotted terribly, and pose a very dangerous situation, especially for children in our park. It has become an eyesore, since this is the first thing people see when they enter Lions Park. Lion Chuck recommended that President Paul contact the Cy-Fair Sports Association to fix up/repair the building.

Lion Keith discussed Texas Lions Camp Work Day, Saturday April 1, 2017. Lion Becca has requested to stay at the Camp bunk houses with members of the Venture Crew. She is getting all the necessary forms signed and to the Camp. Others going are Lions Bob, Merrell, Julie, Keith, Bud, and Becca, and her mother. Lions Chuck and Sandy will not be attending as they will be flying that day.

There will be a baseball tournament this weekend. Lion Paul will contact you with concession stand shifts once the tournament schedule has been posted. Members of the Alief Lions Club indicated they were interested in being trained to work in our concession stand.

The new Cinco Ranch Lions Club will hold their Charter night this Saturday, Feb. 18, at Rudy's on I-10 in Katy. It will be a Mardi Gras theme. Guest speaker will be PID Jo Al Picone. All were invited to attend.

President Paul reported that Amber Anderson said that her Scouts can no longer work the concession stand on Tues. evenings. Scouts had been working Tues. so that Lions members could attend our regular meetings.

Our Club has been notified of a nonprofit fund raising opportunity at the Toyota Center. Lion Keith will try to get a member of the organization to come and give a presentation to our Club about what they offer.

President Paul reported that the New Officer Committee is still filling out the ballot, and waiting on people who have not yet responded.

The Houston Livestock and Rodeo Parade will be held Sat. March 4 in Houston. District 2-S2 has a float in the parade. We will need Lions to read a short statement on street corners as the float passes. Lion Kim Westerman from the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club has been invited to ride on the float. We were asked to be there as by-standers to cheer for our float.

Lion Sandy reported that she and Lion Chuck will be out of town for the next meeting, and she needs someone to pick up the food Tues. afternoon, and to take minutes that night. Lion Julie volunteered to do both.

Lion Chuck discussed the See to Succeed Vision Screening Program which provides professional eye exams and glasses for children in various school districts. He and Lion Sandy have worked at the Alief and Heights screenings. There will be more vision screening the week of Feb. 27 at the Heights office just south of I-10. They need certified vision screeners to help with the vision screening, along with other people to just help direct the children to the next station. Lion Julie volunteered to assist.

Lion Bud reported that he attended a Soaring Eagle Scout District meeting where our Club was recognized for coordinating the Christmas Cheer Food Basket Drive.

There will be a brief Board of Directors meeting immediately after this meeting.

With no further business, meeting adjourned at 8PM after a hearty Lions Roar lead by Lion Don.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Martin, Secretary