Grand Rapids Lions Club Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 25, 2018
12:00 PM, ABVI

Meeting called to Order at 12:08 pm by Chairman Shawn Eyestone.

Present: Pres. Ed Thauer, VP Ben Eavey, Treasurer Jeff Kraai, Directors: Erik Anderson, Gary Anderson, Bill Fleetham, Boyd Griswold, Kyle Travis and Secretaries Craig Nobbelin and Cheryl Anderson

Absent: Colleen Mulder

Agenda Items:

2. Items to add – Erik Anderson would like to add - Website item
3. May 28, 2018 Board Meeting minutes missing, will be recreated by Craig Nobbelin and submitted for the October Board Meeting
4. Membership Report- Gary Anderson

   As of today on LCI's website, there are 95 members in the GR Lions Club. There were a few requests off the website to join. There were two past members inquiring to come back. There is a membership meeting next Tuesday. Will need to get a list of new members last year and be sure they have mentors.
5. Chairman of the Board Report – Shawn Eyestone
   a. W. MI Projects Night (Oct 18) -GR usually buys a table, however, last year we didn't fill it – only about 6 Lions there. This dinner is in conflict with the ABVI Fundraising Dinner. Will ask at next luncheon & email blast to see if there is any interest for the club to purchase a table. Cost this year is $14/pp.
   b. Diabetes Proposal - Gary Anderson reporting. There is a huge push because of the grant available. The grant would end up giving us 3 times the amount of money we would put into it. There are currently 37 clubs in the district. Suggestion for the GR Lions donate $500. A motion made to donate $500. Craig seconded. No further discussion. Vote taken, passed unanimously.
   c. LOM Leadership Institute (Nov 9-11) GR Lions pays for any board member wishing to attend. Ed is going. Anyone else interested in attending, fill out the form, scan it to Jeff and he will submit it with the payment. Deadline is Sept 30.

   Misc:
   a. Shawn will contact Kim Gary or Pat Mullen to fill in the director position.
   b. Shawn will have the flowchart done soon.
6. President's Report, Ed Thauer:
   a. Passed around our GR Lion Stationery, which is compliant with LCI rules.
   b. 100th year planning committee is pursuing VP Pence or Pres Bush. The committee has already sent out letters to both through Peter Secchia stating past events, activities, members and others we have had come to our club including Pres Gerald Ford. If we are unable to get any big name

speaker, then for our annual meeting June 12, 2019, invite the mayor and have music for dancing. More like a party. In the Fall for our 100th, have a speaker. The committee is meeting twice a month, working hard. The next meeting is Oct 9 @ 11:00.

c. Luncheon Speakers – Mark Oberlin is working on getting political speakers prior to the election, if they would like to give their view points.
d. Attendance is down and only a handful dropped their status from full membership. Most of them didn't attend lunch anyway. Cheryl will send out reminder to members the Friday or Saturday before and then again on Monday.

7. Vice President Report, Ben Eavey: Nothing to report
   a. Erik Anderson asked about the website and if there is a link for contributions. Ben said that he will put a link on our website that will send them to a link to contribution to the GR Lions Foundation. It is too difficult to put a link on the website for our GR Lions charities. The contributions would have to go through a third party. The best solution is to add a category under the "contact" page for contributions that will be send to Jeff Kraai. Jeff will then contact them and handle the contribution.
8. Secretary Report, Craig Nobbelin:
   a. Craig will be stepping down as secretary but continue to do the nuda and be the Historian for the club. Cheryl Anderson will take over all the secretarial communications for the club.
   b. THANK YOU to Craig for all his years of service. Craig will create an email that Cheryl will send out to the members.
9. Treasurer's Report, Jeff Kraai:
   a. Both June/July & August reports attached.
   b. Recycling monies from California is running about 1 year in arrears.
   c. Dispersements will be handled at the end of the year, however, suggested to send $9,647 to Cherry Street for Disadvantaged Children's Eyeglass Program. Ed moved, Kyle seconded, no further discussion, vote taken–passed unanimously.
10. Other Business:
   a. LCI official Charter Date for the GR Lions – November 14, 1919
   b. Yard Signs for members still available. Pick up at Eyeglass Recycling Center
   c. Miracle Field Dinner, tonight $150/ticket. GR Lions had helped with building the field by sponsoring a dugout. There was no interest in the dinner

Adjourned at 12:53
Next Exec Mtg Oct 30
Next Regular Board Meeting is Tuesday, Nov 27 @ noon, place ABVI
Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Anderson