

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE OHIO LIONS FOUNDATION HELD IN SANDUSKY, OHIO,  
ON MAY 20, 2005 AT 3:00 P.M.**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Lions Foundation, an Ohio nonprofit corporation, was held at the site of the Ohio Lions Inc. State Convention, Holiday Inn, 5513 Milan Road, Sandusky, Ohio, on Friday, May 20, 2005, pursuant to timely written notice given to all trustees.

Present:

Harold Merkle	Trustee Dist. A
Gary Garrett	Trustee Dist. B
Dan Lester	Trustee Dist. C
Elmer Mundy	Trustee Dist. D
Jeffrey W. Brantner	Trustee Dist. F
Rob Murray	Trustee Dist. G
Dick Weimer	Trustee Dist. H
Jim Faust	Trustee Dist. J

The meeting was called to order by the President at 3:00 P.M.

- 1- The Secretary presented the draft of the minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees held on February 4, 2005. Upon motion by Trustee Merkle, seconded by Trustee Lester, the minutes were approved with the correction of two typographical errors in items 4 and 18.
- 2- The Secretary presented the Foundation's Annual Convention Report, including Highlights of the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2005, Interim Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2005, Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004, Cumulative Statement of Sources and Application of Funds, Date of Inception (12/8/1985 through May 15, 2002), Low Vision Reader Matching Grant Program, Helen Keller Scholarship Program, and Disaster Relief Grants. Upon Motion by Trustee Lester, seconded by Trustee Weimer, the report was accepted and approved.
- 3- The Secretary presented a report of actions taken by the Executive Committee since the last Board meeting.
  - a) Approved the Pre-School Vision Screening Grant request from the Clay-Lynchburg School District in Highland County, Ohio (Trustee Faust abstaining to avoid any appearance of a possible conflict of interest)
  - b) Approved the recommendation of the Advisory Committee for the James T. and Betty Coffey Scholarship Restricted Fund and awarded the grants as recommended.

- c) Approved the recommendation of the Advisory Committee for the Tri Village Lions Restricted Fund.
- d) Approved the following Low Vision Reader Matching Grants:
  - No. 49 (Sherwood Area Lions Club)
  - No. 50 (Bellevue Lions Club)
  - No. 47 (Painesville Lions Club)
  - No. 48 (London Lions Club)
- e) Approved disbursements from the Disaster Relief Fund and the District 13-F Eye Care Restricted Fund
- f) Invested the Plain City Lions Scholarship Restricted Fund in a segregated 18 month CD

Upon motion, duly seconded, the actions of the executive committee were ratified and affirmed.

- 4- The Trustees next discussed the Helen Keller Scholarship Program. The Secretary reported on his discussions with Bowling Green State University. The Trustees asked Trustee Weimer to explore the possible expansion of the program to include the University of Cincinnati, and asked Trustee Mundy to explore the possible expansion of the program to include Kent State University.
- 5- The Secretary next presented to the Trustees a draft interim report of income by fund through May 15, 2005, and a draft analysis of fund balances as of May 15, 2005. Upon motion by Trustee Murray, seconded by Trustee Merkle, the interim reports were accepted.
- 6- The Trustees next discussed the budget as last revised for the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2005. Upon motion by Trustee Lester, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the Trustees determined that no adjustments should be made to the current budget as last revised.
- 7- The Trustees next discussed the preliminary discretionary budget (excluding grants from advised restricted funds) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2006. Upon motion by Trustee Merkle, seconded by Trustee Murray, the following discretionary budget was approved:

Reserve for Disaster Relief	\$35,000.
Helen Keller Scholarships (10 @ \$2,750.00 each)	\$27,500.
Pre School Vision Screening Grants (2 @ \$3,000 ea.)	\$6,000.
Low Vision Reader Matching Grants (5 @ \$1,200. ea)	\$6,000.
Administrative Budget	\$4,000.

- 8- The Trustees next discussed the request from the Springdale Forest Park Lions Club to establish an advised support type restricted fund. The Trustees noted that the suggested purposes of the fund included grants to various qualified Section 501(c)(3) organizations as well as grants for college scholarships. Upon motion by Trustee Merkle, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the Trustees recommended that, in light of the additional administrative and regulatory issues involved in awarding scholarships for specific individuals, the sponsoring club be asked to delete scholarships from the purpose clause and handle any scholarship grants within the club and outside of the advised restricted fund.
- 9- The Trustees next discussed a request submitted by Trustee Lester on behalf of St. Vincent's hospital for assistance in the acquisition of a piece of adaptive equipment. The Trustees asked Trustee Lester to contact St. Vincent's to determine whether the request was for a piece of equipment for general use by St. Vincent's or for a piece of equipment to be used by a specific individual, whether the equipment would be used by preschool age children or by older individuals, and whether the request was for a current acquisition or in part to fund a reserve fund for St. Vincent's for later acquisition of equipment. The request was tabled pending receipt of additional information.
- 10- Upon motion by Trustee Murray, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the trustees approved the payment of the following administrative expenses:
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| William D. Kinnard     | Accounting, Data Processing             | \$218.75 |
| Rance, Pritchett,      | Reimbursement for Photocopying          |          |
| Brantner, Keller & Ely | (\$232.55), Postage (\$289.57), Federal |          |
| Co., LPA               | Express Charges (\$177.19), Courier     |          |
|                        | (\$13.58), and secretarial services     |          |
|                        | (\$120.00)                              | \$832.89 |
| Dan Lester             | Reimbursement for website hosting       |          |
|                        | (annual)                                | \$85.68  |
| Rance, Pritchett,      | Reimbursement – Staples – printing of   |          |
| Brantner, Keller & Ely | annual convention reports               | \$496.99 |
| Co., LPA               |   |          |
| Rance, Pritchett,      | Replenish cost deposit in trust account |          |
| Brantner, Keller & Ely | for payment of annual post office box   |          |
| Co., LPA – General     | rent                                    | \$48.00  |
| Trustee                |   |          |
- 11- Trustee Murray presented a report of the James and Betty Coffey Scholarship Restricted Fund Advisory Committee.

- 12- The President announced that the next order of business was the election of officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2006. Upon motion by trustee Lester, seconded by Trustee Murray, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the following individuals be, and they hereby are, elected to the offices set forth opposite their respective names:

President	Gary Garrett
Vice President	Harold L. Merkle
Secretary	Jeffrey W. Brantner
Treasurer	Lilburn Cummins
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	James Faust

- 13- The President announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees would be held on Saturday, August 6, 2005, at the Ohio State School for the Blind, 5500 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43214.
- 14- There being no further business before the Trustees at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

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Jeffrey W. Brantner, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Gary Garrett, President