

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OHIO LIONS FOUNDATION HELD AT THE OHIO STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, COLUMBUS, OHIO, ON AUGUST 6, 2005 AT 9:00 A.M.

The regularly scheduled first quarter meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Lions Foundation, an Ohio nonprofit corporation, was held at the Ohio State School for the Blind, Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday, August 6, 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
Hank Kies	Trustee Dist. E
Jeffrey W. Brantner	Trustee Dist. F
Dick Weimer	Trustee Dist. H
Jim Faust	Trustee Dist. J
Phil Jenkins	Trustee-At-Large
Ronald Hutchinson	Honorary Trustee

The meeting was called to order by the President at 9:00 P.M.

- 1- The Secretary presented the draft of the minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees held on May 20, 2005. Upon motion by Trustee Merkle, seconded by Trustee Lester, the minutes were approved with the correction of two typographical errors in items 8 and 12.
- 2- The Secretary presented updated preliminary financial reports for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. The Secretary also presented an update report of grants awarded under the Low Vision Reader matching grant program. Upon Motion by Trustee Faust, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the report was accepted and approved.
- 3- The Secretary presented an overview of the requirements of the special rules applicable to a Section 501(c)(3) charitable organization, such as the Ohio Lions Foundation, and how those differ from those applicable to a Section 501(c)(4) organization, such as a Lions Club.
- 4- The Trustees next discussed the establishment of the Tri-Village Noon Lions Restricted Fund as an advised restricted fund of the Ohio Lions Foundation, to be held, administered and disbursed in accordance with the draft of the governance document which has been presented to the Trustees for their consideration. A discussion of the matter ensued, following which, upon motion by Trustee Kies,

seconded by Trustee Faust, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that an advised restricted fund to be known as the **Tri Village Noon Lions Restricted Fund** be established, and that said fund shall be held, administered and disbursed in accordance with the governance document which is attached hereto.

- 5- The trustees next considered the proposal to create an advised restricted fund to be known as the Springdale Forest Park Lions Restricted Fund. The trustees were particularly concerned with the request to include the awarding of scholarships to individual students and the complex restrictions and monitoring which would be required. A discussion of the matter ensued, following which, upon motion by Trustee Merkle, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the creation of an advised restricted fund to be known as the **Springdale Forest Park Lions Restricted Fund** be approved with the limitation that funds may be disbursed only to qualified Section 501(c)(3) organizations and not for scholarships to specific individuals.

- 6- The trustees next discussed the allocation of scholarship awards under the Ohio Lions Foundation Helen Keller Scholarship Program and the possible expansion of the program to additional state-supported universities. The President requested Trustee Lester to review the program with officials of Cleveland State University, Trustee Weimer to discuss the need for scholarships for visually impaired students with officials of the University of Cincinnati, Trustee Mundy to make inquiries of officials of Kent State University and Akron University, and Trustee Merkle to inquire of officials of the University of Toledo.
- 7- The Trustees next discussed the proposed budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. Upon motion by Trustee Lester, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the proposed budget was adopted.
- 8- The Trustees were advised that a request for a low vision reader matching grant would be forthcoming from the New Middletown Lions Club.
- 9- The Secretary distributed copies of a note received from Trustee and Treasurer Cummins on July 12, 2005, indicating that due to the time demands of this employment he would be unable to continue as Trustee and that Trustee Kies would be replacing him on the Board. Inasmuch as Trustee Cummins had been re-elected as Treasurer at the annual meeting the Board, the Trustees discussed the immediate need to fill the vacancy in the office of Treasurer, and to designate another trustee to take over the ordering of plaques and awards which had previously been handled by Trustee Cummins.

Upon motion by Trustee Merkle, seconded by Trustee Faust, the following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that Trustee Kies be, and he hereby is, appointed to be responsible for the ordering of Founders Awards and brass plaques for low vision readers.

Upon motion by Trustee Faust, seconded by Trustee Merkle, the following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that Trustee Lester be, and he hereby is, elected to fill the vacancy in the office of Treasurer.

- 10- The president next appointed trustees to serve on committees of the board as follows:

Grant Review committee

Trustee Mundy
Trustee Lester
Trustee Jenkins
Trustee Roberts
President Garrett, Ex-
Officio Member

**Investment Advisory
Committee**

Trustee Lester
Trustee Merkle
Trustee Mundy
Trustee Cahoon
President Garrett, Ex-
Officio Member

**Internal Audit
Committee**

Trustee Faust
Trustee Weimer
Trustee Kies
President Garrett, Ex-
Officio Member

- 11- The trustees next discussed the Foundation's website and expressed their appreciation to Trustee Lester for his efforts in creating and maintaining the site. Upon motion by Trustee Faust, seconded by Trustee Mundy, the following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that Trustee Lester be, and he hereby is, elected as Webmaster for the Ohio Lions Foundation.

- 12- The trustees next discussed the Foundation's display units. Trustee Garrett indicated that he would be available to prepare graphics for the displays.

- 13- The trustees next discussed the upcoming Twentieth Anniversary of the Ohio Lions Foundation. Among the ideas discussed were the creation of a commemorative Twentieth Anniversary OLF pin and a pin to accompany a Founders Award. President appointed a pin committee to consist of Trustee Merkle, Brantner, Kies and Garrett.

- 14- The Trustees next discussed the creation of banner patch which had been previously discussed. Upon motion by Trustee Faust, seconded by Trustee Lester, Trustee Mundy was authorized to develop proposals for the banner patch.
- 15- The trustees next discussed the assembly of cumulative list of all recipients of the Ohio Lions Foundation Founders Award. The trustees were asked to attempt to obtain such information for prior recipients from their respective districts.
- 16- The Secretary informed the board that he would be preparing the Annual Campaign letter and that copies of the campaign letter together with enclosures and envelopes would be available for the trustees to mail to clubs in their respective sub-districts early Fall.
- 17- The President announced that continuing with the long-standing practice of the Foundation, the regularly scheduled second quarter meeting would be held on the Sunday of the Ohio Lions Fall Conference at the site of that meeting.
- 18- There being no further business before the Trustees at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeffrey W. Brantner, Secretary

ATTEST:

Gary Garrett, President