

**Minutes for the Board of Directors Meeting
Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Club
Thursday, August 28, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
Community Center, Room 2**

BOD Meeting called to Order by President, Heidi Brown at 5:31 p.m.

Present: **President**, Heidi Brown; **Secretary**, Gloria Bishop Oliveri; **Foundation Treasure**, Loretta Lafley; **Administrative Treasurer**, Beth Newton; **1st Vice President**, Mary Lou Ambrose; **Tamers**, Sharon Corner and Ann Turner; **Temporary Tamers**, Mary Lou Ambrose and Emily Florence; **Tail Twister**, Nicole Pappas; **Membership**, Pat Licata and Barbara Tomayko; **Directors**, Caroline Collantes, Emily Florence; **Immediate Past President**: Darcy Jennings

Absent: **2nd Vice President**, Teresa Wisniewski; **3rd Vice President**, Arlene Rich; **Director**, Claire Donohoe, **Director/Tamer**, Nicki Buell

Secretary's Report: Gloria Bishop Oliveri

- 1) **Motion** to approve Minutes from the **July 24, 2025 BOD meeting**, which were previously submitted. **Motion** made by: Sharon Corner and seconded by: Darcy Jennings. **Motion** passed.
- 2) **Monthly Reports** from Committee Chairs for: **July 2025**
PS=6,580 L= 195 H= 589 \$= \$2,562.50*
***Book Sale:** \$; 256.50 **50/50:** \$42.00; **Tail Twister:** \$9.00 **School Supply Drive:** \$2,255.00
- 3) **Resignations:** No New resignations.
- 4) **Status Change Request:** On Thursday, August 14, 2025 **Betty Beck** requested to change her status to AFL. **Motion** to approve made by: Darcy Jennings and seconded by: Barbara Tomayko. **Motion** passed.
- 5) 2025-2026 **Visitation Schedule:** Donaldal Lovelace and Gloria Bishop Oliveri are co-chairing this committee and are currently working on a schedule for the year. For now, we have planned to visit **Greater Falls Run Lions Club** on Tuesday, **September 23, 2025 at 12 noon**. In order to accommodate us visiting, Greater Falls has decided to move this luncheon from their normal venue to a larger location. More information to follow.
B) **District 24L Fall Conference** is on **Saturday, September 27, 2025** at Saint Peter's Lutheran Church, 1201 Courthouse Rd., Stafford, VA. Heidi Brown, Gloria Bishop Oliveri, Beth Newton and Donaldal Lovelace will be attending.
- 5) **Awards:**
 - A) In July 2025, **Lions of VA, 24L awarded the Melvin Jones award** to Loretta Lafley and Judy Ludvigsen.
 - B) On Thursday, August 14, 2025, District Governor, Dan Visone visited our club at our dinner meeting. DG Visone motivated us into service and action. He also presented Gloria Bishop Oliveri with **The Web of Service, Heart of a Hero award**.
 - C) Also in August 2025, LOW Lioness Lions Club was awarded the **2024-2025 Visitation Award**.
- 6) **Old Business:**
 - A) The subject came up again regarding Lionesses able to attend dinner meetings without having dinner. BOD discussed and decided that we have been, and will continue to decide on a case by case basis.
 - B) On August 21, 2025, Loretta requested a vote via email from the Executive BOD to approve us sponsoring LOW LINC's annual walk. They have requested \$1,000.00. Loretta informed us that we have budgeted \$1000 for LOW Linc this year. If approved, this \$1000 donation will then be our annual donation to LOW Linc. Loretta needed approval to cut this check ASAP to be in time to sponsor the table. Executive BOD approved via email on Friday, August 22, 2025 at 11:45.

Foundation Treasurer's Report for July 2025: Loretta Lafley

- 1) **Total Receipts:** \$2,325.00
- 2) **Total Expenses:** \$97.99
- 3) **Adjusted Bank Balance:** \$70,370.71
- 4) **Savings Balance:** \$10,215.81
- 5) Loretta emailed the BOD letting us know that our Foundation Treasurer's books were audited and received verification that we passed the audit.

Administrative Treasurer's Report for July 2025: Beth Newton

- 1) **Total Income:** \$3,506.00
- 2) **Total Expenses:** \$4,568.69
- 3) **Account Balance:** \$23,546.37

President's Report: Heidi Brown

- 1) Bylaws and Constitution: It is still pending approval.
- 2) October 4th Fall Festival: Mary Lou and Heidi still need help and will ask for volunteers at our next dinner meeting.
- 3) Open committee chair positions: We still need to fill Toy Drive and Spring Yard Sale. Nancy King has volunteered to do our FB page.

1st Vice President's Report: Mary Lou Ambrose

- 1) Distributed the 3-fold flyer, which we can start using as a marketing tool.
- 2) Mary Lou filled out, completed, and submitted all necessary forms for our Christmas Treasures to Kimberly Toone for approval to use all rooms in the Community Center. Starting Date: 10/17/2025 and ending on 10/19/2025. Start time: 9:00am and Ending time: 3:00pm.

2nd Vice President: Teresa Wisniewski (absent)

- 1) The Concert On The Point was a great success with a total gross of \$1,890.00. We gave away \$930.00, which left us with a profit of \$960.00. There were 14 Lionesses in attendance, and it was a lot of fun!

Tamers/Temporary Tamers: Ann Turner, Mary Lou Ambrose, Sharon Corner and Emily Florence

- 1) Sharon Corner attended the Kickoff Luncheon in Remington, VA
Mary Lou has been removed from temporary Tamer duties. Emily has agreed to continue until January, 2026. Ann has started to take on more responsibilities and will directly handle communication with club staff. Sharon has also taken more responsibilities and will do crafts for tables etc.

Tail Twister: Nicole Pappas

- 1) Nicole will continue with Mighty Lioness, but will request for members to nominate Lionesses serving and showing kindness to others in and outside of our community.

Membership: Pat Licata and Barbara Tomayko

- 1) Barbara brought in a sample of the new Lioness business card which we can start using immediately.
- 2) Pat shared with us the name of Kley Parkhurst, a fantastic speaker with a great story to share. Kley started his journey from becoming a pilot in midlife to flying patients, pets, and supplies for causes like Hurricane Helene relief.

Directors: Caroline Collantes, and Emily Florence; Nicki Buell and Claire Donohoe (absent)

1) Caroline presented us with great outing proposal.

- A) The current outing is The Beach Social at Pleasant Grove Beach on September 4, 2025 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. 36 members have signed up already.
- B) For future ideas, she mentioned dinner and a movie, Summer Concerts in Culpeper and Fredericksburg and attending interesting topic sessions at Mary Washington University.

Past President: Darcy Jennings

- 1) Darcy would like us to consider sponsoring a young female student in "Door of Hope" in Africa. Heidi Brown was just there and shared a lot of what their group did. More information to come.

There being no further business to come before the LOW Lioness Lions Board of Directors at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Bishop Oliveri, LOW Lioness Lions Secretary

Next BOD Meeting: September 25, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 2