

**Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Club**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 5:30**  
**at Barbara Tomayko's Home**  
**110 Pleasant Grove**

BOD Meeting call to Order by **President**, Darcy Jennings at 5:35PM

**Present:**

**President:** Darcy Jennings; **Secretary:** Gloria Bishop Oliveri; **Foundation Treasure:** Loretta Lafley; **Administrative Treasurer:** Beth Newton; **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Heidi Brown; **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Teresa Wisniewski; **Tamers:** Mary Lou Ambrose, Linda Corsones; **Directors:** Mary Lou Ambrose, Ellen Bearden, Nicki Buell and Claire Donohoe; **Immediate Past President:** Barbara Tomayko

**Absent:** **3rd Vice President:** Arlene Rich; **Tail Twister:** Nicole Pappas; **Membership:** Cindy Coover

**Secretary's Report:** Gloria Bishop Oliveri

- 1) **Motion** to approve Minutes from the **March 27, 2025**, which were previously submitted.  
**Motion** made by Darcy Jennings and seconded by Barbara Tomayko. **Motion** passed.
- 2) **Monthly Reports** from Committee Chairs for: **March 2025**  
PS=3,856      L=178      H= 748      \$= \$14,304.00\*  
\***Book Sale:** \$261.00; **50/50:** \$61.00; **Director's Outing:** \$85.00; **Mardi Gras:** \$12,697.00; **Safe House:** Donated luggage valued at \$1,200.00
- 3) **Old Business**
  - A. Judy Pendergrass, sponsored by Rosemary Butcher, was approved by the BOD on December 19, 2024 and will be inducted at our May dinner meeting.
  - B. **Medicine Bottles Fundraiser:** As of January 2025, we had 97 active members. So far we have collected 58 bottles so I'm hoping BOD have brought at least 39 or more bottles to reach our goal.  
**Update:** We surpassed our goal of 97. **Final count: 118 bottles.** Thank you Lionesses for your support!
- 4) **BOD Minutes:** The LOWDOWN Editor(s) reminded all of us to submit announcements, articles etc., no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Since our board meetings are always held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, minutes will only be submitted to the executive board for approval and a quick turnaround.

**Treasurer's Report (Foundation) for March 2025:** Loretta Lafley

- 1) **Total Receipts:** \$9,874.60
- 2) **Total Expenses:** \$12,227.30
- 3) **Adjusted Bank balance:** \$85,822.24
- 4) **Savings Balance:** \$10,222.62
- 5) Loretta presented the 2025-2026 proposed budget for review and will submit final draft for board approval before presenting to membership.

**Treasurer's Report (Administrative) for March 2025:** Beth Newton

- 1) **Total Income:** \$3,995.00
- 2) **Total Expenses:** \$2,228.58
- 3) **Account Balance:** \$20,096.06

**President's Report:** Darcy Jennings

- 1) **"A Ball for All"** for vision impaired children in Zone G. This is a project which will allow these children to be active in their school and at home. These balls are designed to rattle as they move in the air or on the ground. Each ball costs \$35.00. **Motion** made by Mary Lou Ambrose to donate \$105.00 to purchase 3 balls. Seconded by Darcy Jennings. **Motion** passed.

- 2) **Jewelry Idea:** It seems that we still have quite a collection of costume jewelry and need to create a monthly event to sell.
- 3) **May Yard Sale:** this is being held on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 8am to 1pm at The Sweetbriar Pavilion. Darcy still needs volunteers for the 2<sup>nd</sup> shift.
- 4) **Baskets:** Darcy will continue to bring to dinner meetings to raffle, and funds collected will go toward our Administrative Fund.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Heidi Brown

- 1) **Constitution & Bylaws:** Heidi will have final copy for BOD to approve so we can present to Membership at our dinner meeting in June and ready to forward to Lions International.
- 2) **Volunteerism:** We are in need of NEW volunteers. Heidi would like to have a workshop at our May dinner meeting for recruiting volunteers.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Teresa Wisniewski

- 1) **Fundraiser Dinner Dance:** Teresa and Sharla have graciously volunteered to chair this event in 2026. More information to follow in the coming months.
- 2) **School Supply:** Teresa and Nancy Bidus will chair again. Scheduled date is July 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 12pm. More information to follow in the LOWDOWN.

**Directors:** Mary Lou Ambrose, Ellen Bearden, Nicki Buell and Claire Donohoe

- 1) **Director's Event:** Fall Fling. Mary Lou and Nicki talked about the possibility of this new event. This could be a social hour event where 200 tickets are sold beforehand at \$20.00 each. One ticket gets pulled out every 5 minutes and wins \$100.00. Last ticket pulled earns \$500.00. You don't have to be present to win. More information to follow.

**Immediate Past President:** Barbara Tomayko

- 1) **Nominations for 2025-2026:** Barbara shared with us the nominees for BOD 2026-2027. Loretta made **motion** to approve and it was seconded by: Darcy Jennings. **Motion** passed. Nominees will be present and voted for at our June meeting

There being no further business to come before the LOW Lioness Lions Board of Directors at this time, the meeting was adjourned at: 7:15.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gloria Bishop Oliveri*, LOW Lioness Lions Secretary

**Next BOD Meeting:** May 22, 2025 at 5:30 in the Community Center