

Minutes for the Club Board of Directors Meeting

Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Club

Thursday, July 23, 2026

Community Center, Room 2

Club BOD Meeting called to Order by Outgoing President, Heidi Brown at 5:35 p.m.

Present: **Outgoing President/Incoming Immediate Past President:** Heidi Brown;
 Outgoing 1st Vice President/Incoming President: Mary Lou Ambrose;
 Incoming Administrative Secretary: Charlene Fines;
 Outgoing Club Secretary/Foundation Secretary/24L Liaison: Gloria Bishop Oliveri;
 Administrative Treasurer: Beth Newton;
 Outgoing 2nd Vice President/Incoming 3rd Vice President: Teresa Wisniewski;
 Tamers: Sharon Corner and Ann Turner; **Incoming Tamer:** Diane Wiard;
 Membership: Pat Licata; **Incoming Membership:** Kathy Merritt and Gloria Bishop Oliveri
 Directors: Claire Donohoe and Emily Florence; **Incoming Director:** Kathy Merritt
 Outgoing Immediate Past President/Incoming Tail Twister: Darcy Jennings

Absent: **Foundation Treasurer:** Loretta Lafley;
 Outgoing Director/Incoming 1st Vice President: Caroline Collantes;
 Outgoing Tail Twister/Incoming 2nd Vice President: Nicole Pappas;
 Outgoing 3rd Vice President: Arlene Rich;
 Membership: Barbara Tomayko
 Director: Nicki Buell

Outgoing Secretary's Report: Gloria Bishop Oliveri

- 1) Motion requested to approve Minutes from the **June 25, 2026, BOD meeting**, which were previously submitted.
Motion to approve made by Ann Turner and seconded by Pat Licata. **The motion was carried.**

- 2) **Monthly Reports:** Committee Chairs for **June 2026:**

PS= 4,449

L= 194

H= 517

\$268.00*

***Book Sale: \$133.00**

***Dinner Meeting 50/50: \$60.00**

***School Supplies: \$75.00**

- 3) **New Members:**

The following new members are anticipated to be inducted in **September 2026:**

A) **Angie Laing**, sponsored by Mary Lou Ambrose, application completion pending.

B) **Angie Long**, sponsored by Maggie Broadwater & Cheryl Murray, application completion pending.

C) **Camellia (Cam) Miller**, sponsored by Heidi Brown, approved by BOD on June 25, 2026; Orientation pending.

Secretary will request BOD approval once all completed applications are received.

- 4) **Resignations:**

A) **Kathy Phillips** resigned on 06/26/2026.

B) **Linda Bruno** officially resigned as of 07/22/2026.

Motion to approve was made by Sharon Corner and seconded by Claire Donohoe. **The motion was carried.**

- 5) **Software Request:** Sharla Bailey, Communications and Publications Committee Member, has recommended support for appropriation of \$239.00 (yearly rate) for Advanced version of Acrobat Software for Jacqueline (Jacqs) Mills to facilitate incorporation of BOD Minutes and graphics into of the monthly LOWDOWN publication.

Charlene Fines offered to contact Jacqs Mills to discuss a potential work-around (use of “Snipping Tool”).

Motion to approve the \$239.00 appropriation was made by Heidi Brown and seconded by Mary Lou Ambrose in the event the Snipping Tool work-around does not address the issue. **The motion was carried.**

Administrative Treasurer, Beth Newton:

June 2026 Report	
Total Income	\$6,778.00
Total Expenses	\$3,162.62
Cash Balance Checking	\$14,356.31
CD Balance	\$10,000.00

Collection of remaining outstanding membership dues underway. Missed dinner meeting fees are also being collected.

Outgoing President’s Report: Heidi Brown

Continuing to work Lioness signage for the new bench and new Lioness shed.

Swearing in of Officers not present at the July 2026 Dinner Meeting for 2026-2027:

Darcy Jennings swore in Charlene Fines as Administrative Secretary and Teresa Wisniewski as 3rd Vice President.

HEIDI BROWN TURNED MEETING OVER TO 2026-2027 BOARD OF DIRECTORS at 6:17 p.m.

Present: **President:** Mary Lou Ambrose;
 Administrative Secretary: Charlene Fines;
 Foundation Secretary/24L Liaison: Gloria Bishop Oliveri;
 Administrative Treasurer: Beth Newton;
 3rd Vice President: Teresa Wisniewski;
 Tamers: Sharon Corner, Ann Turner and Diane Wiard;
 Membership: Pat Licata, Kathy Merritt and Gloria Bishop Oliveri
 Directors: Claire Donohoe Emily Florence and Kathy Merritt
 Tail Twister: Darcy Jennings
 Immediate Past President: Heidi Brown

Absent: **Foundation Treasurer:** Loretta Lafley;
 1st Vice President: Caroline Collantes;
 2nd Vice President: Nicole Pappas;
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President's Report: Mary Lou Ambrose

- 1) The Meal Train has been very successful. The Share and Care Team and the Vice Presidents are encouraged to continue to utilize the Meal Train tool to support Lionesses in need of meals. Meal Train Registration Fees incurred by the Officers may be submitted for consideration for reimbursement under the Club Miscellaneous Expense budget.
- 2) Mary Lou Ambrose, Caroline Collantes and Ann Turner met with LOW General Manager, Bernie Guthrie to discuss pricing for Lioness meals and events. LOW Treasurer, Dan Porter is collaborating with a team to develop club/banquet pricing for the LOW Clubhouse.

Tamers: Sharon Corner, Ann Turner and Diane Wiard

The Tamers are working to clear the backlog of missed dinner meeting fees from Lionesses who did not provide timely advanced notification of missed dinner meetings.

Officers are encouraged to promptly notify Tamers of pending resignations to allow for associated dinner meeting headcount adjustments.

Membership: Pat Licata, Kathy Merritt and Gloria Bishop Oliveri

The Membership Team is scheduled to meet July 24, 2026, to discuss plans and best practices for the 2026-2027 term. The Team is looking to incorporate Lions District Governor, Chuck Schwab's dynamic theme of "Dare to."

Directors: Claire Donohoe, Emily Florence and Kathy Merritt

The Directors are meeting to discuss plans for the 2026-2027 term.

There being no further business to come before the **LOW Lioness Lions Club Board of Directors** at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Gloria Bishop Oliveri, LOW Lioness, Lions Foundation Secretary/24L Liaison

and

Charlene C. Fines, LOW Lioness, Lions Administrative Secretary

Next Club BOD Meeting: Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 2