



Officers Board Meeting  
Wednesday, April 10, 2024  
9:30 a.m.  
TLC Clubhouse

### DRAFT Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. Lisa Levesque moved and Nancy Lepain seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2024, Board meeting. Lauren Hirsch moved and Kathy Hall seconded a motion to approve minutes from the January 30 Zoom meeting. Both motions passed unanimously.

2. Roll Call: In attendance were Barbara Najmy, Jennifer Alokeh, Lauren Hirsch, Nancy LePain, Lisa Levesque, Josephine Coco, Kathy Hall and Sheila Lau. Absent were Terry Martinez and Julie Swan. A quorum was present.

### 3. Reports

- a. Chairperson's Report – Barbara Najmy welcomed visiting member Roxanne Di Gangi and thanked her for participation in Outreach. With the new contribution levels, we lost a few and gained a few members. The overwhelming membership remained, and Barbara said we should celebrate that success.

Clive Daniel recap – Barbara thanked Nancy Lepain and Lisa Levesque for the successful participation of grant recipients. Lauren Hirsch was recognized for her excellent job as emcee. Barbara will send a thank you note to Liz Ramos for her excellent coverage of this event in The Observer. Lauren suggested a raffle for non-member attendees next year. All agreed the food from Northern Trust was fabulous. Clive Daniel and Northern are on board for next year. Additional recommendations for 2025 include having a grantee tell his/her story, better podium and a microphone, and entertainment. A suggested date for 2025 is February 27<sup>th</sup>.

Josephine Coco reported that although attendance was amazing, several members were upset that they did not have name tags. Such issues have been a repetitive problem with events and discussion ensued on improvement methods. To ensure our registrations lists are current, in the future we will send repeated updates/reminders of the events. We will provide permanent name tags to all members and future members. All will be informed that it is the member's responsibility to bring the name tag to events.



Breast cancer walk discussion – Nancy Lepain provided feedback from the organizational meeting of the breast cancer walk committee. Lauren recapped her call with Fran Berg and suggested funding for permanent Walk decorations and perhaps a dedicated page on TLCWGC site.

- b. Vice-Chair's Report – Jennifer Alokeh led a lengthy discussion regarding opening up TLCWGC to women outside of The Lake Club. Country Club has approached Nancy about the idea. The by-laws require a membership vote on such an issue. A proposal will be developed before the general membership meeting. Jennifer made a motion to open up the membership and Nancy seconded. The motion was approved.
- c. Finance Report - Lauren Hirsch reported that of our 114 members, 89 are fully paid in and there is \$23,795 in the checking account. She suggested using the annual Giving Challenge for members to donate through TICWGC. She recommended a minimum annual contribution (MAC) increase. Discussion was held on the potential dollar amount. Lauren made and Nancy seconded a motion to increase the MAC to \$250 for 2025 with the caveat that \$50 be used for the annual Giving Challenge. This motion passed. Finance co-chair Terry Martinez submitted a written report, which is attached.
- d. Committee Reports:
  - Outreach – Nancy Lepain expressed concern that the upcoming Boys and Girls Club event has only 2 volunteers. A follow-up announcement will be made to members. Linda Abravanel will head up the September Feeding Empty Little Tummies event which includes children in The Lake Club community. Nancy has the paintings which the Artists Guild contributed for Hope Family Services. Nancy wants a recognition for the contributors and will set up a date, possibly May 15 at 4:30, depending on Club availability.
  - Membership – Josephine Coco discussed a new member social scheduled for October 24.
  - Grants – Lisa Levesque. No grants have been awarded 2024 to date.
  - Communications & Social Media – Jennifer Alokeh led a discussion how to improve the appearance of communication to make them more impactful and easier to read.

4. Old Business – Included with Chair report above.



5. New Business – Barbara would like us to be nominated for the Community Spirit Award and will seek some grantees to do so. Jennifer discussed a potential for different levels of contribution. Lauren commented that this would be more applicable for corporate sponsors than individual members. We will give this future thought along with finding a community sponsor/partner.

Barbara reported that Foxy Lady would like to work with us on a fashion show. The Board felt this would be perfect for a fundraiser. Jo will discuss possible leadership of this event with Kim Longhitano.

6. Open Floor - Due to upcoming summer travel, the July Board meeting will be cancelled. The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 2.

7. Adjournment – Barbara moved and Lauren seconded a motion to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. The motion passed.