

The Ladies Board Minutes

April 1, 2025

President Pauline Clark called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Prayer/moment of silence: Katrina Waggoner led the members in the Ladies Board Prayer.

Roll Call: There were 49 members present and 1 associate member.

Acceptance of Minutes: The March 4, 2025 minutes were approved.

Announcements: The Ladies Board presented a donation of \$250,000 to the Foundation for the Greatest Needs program. Sue Ulland resigned from the Board due to medical issues. Carole Baker-Powers is doing well and appreciates the Board's support. Plans to participate in the Fourth of July parade were discussed. A committee is being formed to work on the bylaws. The end of year appreciation event is scheduled for November 4th at River Creek Country Club and will replace the regular Ladies Board meeting.

Speaker: Dr. Chiantella introduced an innovative AI platform by Bayesian Health that INOVA Loudoun Hospital will be implementing in a six-month pilot program to improve sepsis diagnosis and treatment, emphasizing early detection and personalized care to reduce mortality and hospital readmissions. He also spoke about the importance of advanced care planning documents including medical power of attorney and directives. Dr. Chiantella's contact information is:

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Treasurer's Report: Chandra Bittner presented a detailed treasurer's report outlining the financial status, income, expenses and balances of various accounts. She discussed the need for improved financial procedures and transparency. A motion was made and passed to form an ad-hoc committee to develop financial management procedures including process changes and use of funds.

Caring and Sharing: Katrina Waggoner highlighted the support given to members recovering from illness or dealing with family health issues. Birthdays were recognized and a rose was given to each member celebrating an April birthday. There were expressions of gratitude for support received.

History: Carole Baker-Powers will be returning to the committee when she is able. In the meantime, she is looking for an interim replacement.

Hospitality: Mary Finley presented a detailed financial report and updates on the upcoming picnic which will be held on May 5th at Pauline Clark's house. In case of rain the event will be moved to Verla's church. Please rsvp.

Lights of Love: Barb McNeil presented a detailed financial report.

Nominating Committee: There were no new nominations.

Nursing Scholarships: Arlene Kilborn provided a detailed financial report. The scholarship application deadline is April 1, 2025 with decisions by April 11, 2025. There are currently 80 applications. Additional \$200 is requested for 2025 due to website costs.

Nurse Appreciation: Laura Davis presented a detailed financial report. The Ladies Board will celebrate Nurse Appreciation on May 5th with orchids for about 30 honoree's and possibly an impromptu lunch. Names and details of the honorees will be confidential until April 28th.

Polly Clemens: Not present. Report will be available on Ladies Board web-site.

Public Relations: Patti Sinnen reported that a baseball cap with the Ladies Board logo is being designed and is expected to cost under \$20. 'The Caring Through the Years' event is on May 20th at 5 p.m. at Belmont Country Club.

Riverside Gift Shop: Lillian Brewer presented a detailed financial report. Easter merchandise is selling well, and new volunteers have joined.

Rummage: Stacey Bassett reported that Rummage preparations are underway, with a focus on Donation Day logistics. New shelving and racks have been acquired and significant donations have been received. The book department is in need of a new co-chair.

Silent Auction: The silent auction tickets are expected to go live soon. A competition for the largest donation and most items brought in will award a tiara to the winners. Tickets will be \$125 with volunteer tickets at \$75. A table for 8 costs \$1,200.

Twice is Nice: Laura Davis presented a detailed financial report. Joylyn Hannahs reported that Twice is Nice will celebrate its 35th anniversary with a party featuring a DJ and the mayor of Leesburg on April 4, 2025. Joylyn Hannahs made a motion to reverse the order of the committee reports at the meeting. The motion was passed.

Old Business: There was discussion on allocating \$250,000 for the sepsis program costing \$400,000. The remaining \$150,000 will be funded by the Foundation. A motion was made to “Have discussion and vote on whether we support the sepsis program in May for allocation to the Greatest Needs Fund”. The motion was passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Debbie Melia

Recording Secretary