



## **JUNIOR LEAGUE OF ALBANY**

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January General Membership Meeting  
Whitney Young Health Center  
January 8, 2012

In attendance: Kate Barry, Jennifer Bryant, Terry Bylsma, Jennifer Carraher, Andrea Cass, Cate Clark, Karen Clark, Carly Connors, Caitlin Cooper, Colleen Corcoran, Tara Cristalli, Lisa Cronlund, Carolyn Daggett, Sandra Doellefeld, Bridget Graber, Michele Gruber, Evelyn Hickok, Emily Juda, Megan Kelly, Kirsten Kropp, Sharon Lastique, Michele Melton, Lakisha Rich, Suzanne Shad, Eileen Smith, Gretchen Wilber

### **I. Call the Meeting to Order**

A. Sandra Doellefeld called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

### **II. Additions/Changes to the Agenda**

A. Add Membership

### **III. Welcome/Background of Whitney Young Health Center**

A. Welcomed Maureen from the Whitney Young Health Center. The Center employs about 170 people and offers several services, including 3 school-based centers and a mobile dental services unit. The Center services about 22,000 patients per year.

### **IV. Approval of October General Membership Meeting Minutes\***

A. **Michele Gruber made a motion to approve the October General Membership Meeting Minutes, Kirsten Kropp seconded. All approve, motion approved.**

### **V. Approval of November General Membership Meeting Minutes\***

A. **Bridget Graber made a motion to approve the November General Membership Meeting Minutes, Lisa Cronlund seconded. All approve, motion approved.**

### **VI. Reports**

#### **A. President**

##### **1. JLAwesome Award for November**

a) JLAwesome Award for November goes to Brianna Wattie.

##### **2. JLAwesome Award for December**

a) JLAwesome Award for November goes to Jennifer Bryant, Kate Barry, and Kelcie Racino.

#### **B. President Elect**

1. Nothing new to report.

#### **C. Secretary**

1. Nothing new to report.

#### D. Treasurer

##### 1. Expense Report Reminder

- a) Reimbursement requests must be submitted within 45 days, necessary in order to keep the JLA's books current. The form is in the member section on the website. In order to be reimbursed, you must pay with cash and use the JLA's tax exempt certificate, which is also in the member section on the website.

#### E. Communications

##### 1. "Like" us on Facebook

##### 2. Website suggestions please contact Sara Regan [slmazzuto@yahoo.com](mailto:slmazzuto@yahoo.com)

- a) Please RSVP for Sectionals through the Evites that will be sent out since the RSVP function of the website is still not working properly.

#### F. Community

##### 1. Imagination Library

- a) Presented 2 handouts an options for extending Imagination Library since the current Imagination Library terminates May 31, 2013 because no organization has picked up the project.

##### b) Discussion:

(1) Suggestion that Blessed Sacrament might be a good funding source for IL.

(2) The question is whether we want to continue to use League resources for this program and is it realistic to think we would fundraise enough money to replace the amount we would need to withdraw from the Vanguard account? Many said no.

(a) There is \$238,000 in the Vanguard account and we recently received our first disbursement from the Community Foundation for \$4,200.

(3) The vast majority of children in the program have received books for at least one year and many for two years, so that is a success in and of itself.

(4) Our League has always been able to spin off our past projects, but we could not find anyone to take this project.

(5) Evelyn made a motion to add an additional ballot option to continue to send books to children in the high need zip codes in Albany until age 5 and also any children who have been enrolled for less than one year, at a cost of approximately \$23,000 per year. Caitlin seconded.

(6) Carly made a motion to remove option 2B from the ballot, Kate seconded.

(7) The ballot will be finalized soon.

#### G. Finance / Fund Development VP

##### 1. American Girl – March 9, 2013

- a) There are 60 days until the show and the AG Committee still needs help with raffle items and someone to coordinate the doll hair salon.

- b) Corporate sponsors are still needed, by February 25th, but they likely would not be able to have their logo on promotional materials since the materials must be printed soon. There will also be advertising space available in the program.
- c) There are two shifts to volunteer for the show: 9:00-2:30 and 2:30-8:00.
- d) Please "like" the JLA's American Girl Fashion Show page on Facebook.
- e) The invitations will be mailed out soon.

2. Finance

- a) The Holiday Party made \$1,156.44 and \$507 net revenue on the Annual Appeal.

3. Fund Development

- a) Please let Ginny Rosborough know if you find out about any grant opportunities the JLA should apply for.

H. Membership

- 1. The locations for sectionals are set and Evites will be emailed soon.

I. Nominating and Placement

1. Open Board positions

- a) If you are interested in any board positions, please let Jennifer know now.
- b) We are in need of an Assistant Treasurer to begin learning the ropes now to take over as Treasurer in May.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Sandra Doellefeld made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 pm and Caitlin Cooper seconded.

\*Denotes Voting Issue

Respectfully Submitted,

Ginny Rosborough, Recording Secretary

Minutes recorded by Michele Melton