

Beat the Odds Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, Nov. 5th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Desi motion; Marlene 2nd; all in favor

Approval of Previous Minutes: Michele motion; Marlene 2nd; all in

favor **Attending:** Michele, Joe, Julianne, Desi, Marlene, Bridget, Carin

(notes) **Old business:**

- Michele will check with Sarah for update of PMC grant writer and the ACF grant
- Joe sent an email with Lea's response about cancer support group: virtual meetings were not ideal; in-person meetings not well-attended; offers to meet on as-needed basis, and/or Jeigh would lead; pay toward end of year rather than up front. Pia, Michele & Lea will discuss in the new year and update the PSA accordingly and possibly update brochure with sticker.

New business: Current financial status end of 2020: \$29,121.88; in 2021 we raised ~\$24,000; we have \$49,000 in checking account; paid total bills ~\$5,800, doesn't count in-kind from KFSK and Parks and Rec, with those it's closer to \$10,000; Michele will let Sarah know we raised \$20,000 for her AK Airlines application.

Sept. BTO event debrief: liked outside under covered area, should continue in coming years; open up bathrooms for large group; not as many people this year, maybe COVID, other factors?; some registered but only small shirts available; shirts ran small; adjust numbers and sizes next year; get Cynthia the sponsor list earlier; Desi will grab a shirt for hanging up; Kim from Juneau Cancer Connection sent ribbons and Marlene distributed - successful; snacks were nice to have.

Travel fund - sometimes it's one more thing to fill out even if funds are available; Cancer Connection spent \$750; we still need to get a hold of Wrangell and 1st City. Brandi Boggs was hired by PMC to help navigate and apply for Medicate. Marlene met with Brandi, Patient Navigator at PMC, after our meeting to discuss the various travel assistance programs that we know of for people with cancer. Brandi is happy to give out the information, and she would also be able to help people make contact and complete any necessary paperwork. Her number is 907-772-5716, bboggs@pmc-health.org. When we update the brochure we will include this information.

Marlene made motion for \$800 for hospital bed; \$200 for bed pads; \$2,000 seed money for chore services. After the meeting Marlene sent an email for just that portion to get the items sooner.

To reach Wrangell Cancer Care, the contacts now are: Patti Gilbert 907-874-3119; Janet Bunes 907-874-3061; and Olinda White 907-305-0262, owhite@gci.net. We will need to update the brochure with this information.

- Marlene will ask Kirsten if she bought the books
- Marlene will look through notes and see if the \$2500 was spent by Cornerstone
- Michele will look into Juneau apartment
- Petersburg Hospital Foundation can review at their next meeting so items can be purchased sooner.
- Michele will talk with Kelsey to see how we could make a smoother process with Petersburg Hospital Foundation.

Adjourned

Next meeting: *January 11th for allocating funding*