

# Beat the Odds Committee Meeting Minutes Petersburg Medical Center Conference Room Wednesday, February 9, 2022, 5:30 pm

## Old Business

- Status of AK Airlines funding? *BTO received a \$500 donation from AK Airlines on 10/22/21; maybe Sarah was chasing something that Alaska Airlines needs on their end?*
- Sarah check with hospital grant writer? *No update, past due date, anyway*
- Did Kirsten from home health buy books? *Desi contacted and she did not buy yet; has not received a check for the \$ BTO allocated; recommendation that we take back all \$ we allocated from last year; start over for 2022; do as we have in the past with letter of everything we need*
- Status of \$2500 given to Cornerstone? *We received \$2,381 back on 11/23/2021.*
- Status of \$800 for bed, \$200 for pads, \$2000 seed \$ for chore services? *See 'Allocation of Funds' motion below*
- Cancer Connection...*Michele provided detail on the 2/9/22 agenda*
- Status of Lea and Cancer Support Group? *Do we need to update PSA? Pia will contact Lea again; PSA should say that group meets on an as-needed basis; can Joe look into the PSA?*

## New Business

- Current financial status \$50,158.80
- Travel fund amounts in 2021 - *Wrangell and 1st City next to nothing for travel for Psg residents; Joe will follow up on PSA status; Brandi Boggs is a great resource; invite Brandi to next BTO meeting*
- Requests from PMC:
  - IV/Central Line Class for all nursing staff: \$5,000-\$6,000*
  - Chemotherapy Training for 4-6 nurses: \$3,000*
  - End of Life Nursing/Provider Education: \$3,000*
  - Additional Treatment Chair: \$4,500*
  - Oncology Nursing Society dues: \$318.00, and*
  - 100 Five Wishes Booklets: \$100*
- Allocation of funds -  
*Joe moves to allocate \$16,918 to fulfill all of the above requests; Desi 2nd; all in favor*  
*Desi moves to give back \$3200 for bed, pads, and seed money; Joe 2nd; all in favor*

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*Joe moves to allocate \$11,000 in the following way: \$5000 to First City Ketchikan; \$3000 to Juneau Cancer Connection; \$2000 to Wrangell; \$1000 to AngelFlight; Desi 2nd; all in favor*

*-Circle of Life- Event will be held on **Saturday, 4/23/22**; Cynthia will look into items to offer participants - ideas were stickers, socks, patches, something that would not need our logo in the interest of time; we will decide what to charge based on the type of item*

*-Need to update brochure - Julianne will look for edits/updates in the brochure and website and report back to the committee*

**Next meeting: Tentatively Tuesday, March 29th at 5:30 p.m.**

Approval of Agenda: Joe moves to approve; Desi 2nd; all in favor

Approval of Minutes: Joe moves to approve; Ginger 2nd; all in favor

Attending: Michele, Ginger, Joe, Julianne, Pia, Cynthia, Marlene, Desi, Bridget, Carin (notes)

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○ Did Kirsten with home health buy books we allocated funding for? *Not yet.*  
Did Beth purchase the books for the Public Library? *No.*

▪ Dying Well: Ina Byock  
▪ Caregiver Toolbox: Carolyn P Hartley and Peter Wong  
▪ The 36 Hour Day: Mancy I. Mace and Peter B Rabins  
▪ Dementia: A Caregiver's Guide: Teepa Snow

○ Status of \$2500 previously given to Cornerstone. Desi stated we received \$2,381 back on 11/23/2021.

○ Status of \$800 for hospital bed; \$200 for bed pads; \$2,000 seed money for chore services via Kirsten with home health.

○ Cancer Connection Office Manager, Julie Long presented Michele's desires at their July board meeting. After discussion acknowledging the need for affordable lodging in Juneau for those who travel from other Southeast communities for cancer care, the board decided it's not something that they have the time or person power to sponsor right now. They did some research calling several hotels to see about lodging discounts but (and maybe due to covid) they received responses that they couldn't provide discounts. American Cancer Society secured a discount at Alaska Aspen hotels as there is one in Juneau. Southeast Radiation oncology has a complimentary home with 2 units including bathrooms for their patients who are in town receiving treatment. Until March 31, 2022, we can still reimburse up to \$750 in cancer care related

travel for 2021, if we know of individuals who might benefit. They received Travel Assistance inquiries from Petersburg residents, but no reimbursement requests came through.

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- Travel Fund Amounts in 2021 spent on Petersburg residents
- Requests from PMC
- Allocation of Funds
- Circle of Life
- Need to update brochure: Add Brandy Boggs, Wrangell new contacts, chore services, hospital bed, lodging in Juneau, Cancer Support Group, etc.  
Approval of Meeting Adjourned at: Next Meeting: