

Beat the Odds Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 4th 5:30 p.m

Approval of Agenda: Desi approved; Joe 2nd; all in favor

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Attending: Michele Parker (zoom), Marlene Cushing, Desi Burrell, Jenny Martens, Joe Viechnicki, Cynthia Mathisen, Bridget Wittstock, Carin Christensen (notes)

Old Business:

Review of October 8th, 22nd annual Beat the Odds event

Attendance was good; loved the t-shirt; glad to be together; Martha Smith wondered why we didn't ask her to bake :); ran smoothly; cut back t-shirt inventory, but still have a lot left

Ideas for excess t-shirt inventory

Offer to Joe's Middle School cross-country team (size challenges); Circle of Life

Review of past year

Went well; a lot more was spent for travel and angel flights than we allocated, so we are proposing to spend more in 2023

Status of cancer support group

Cancer support group meeting regularly once per month with Leiah facilitating; advertised in Opening Doors brochure; could advertise more

Status of Opening Doors brochure

Printed and looks lovely; Michele sent copy to all of us and Carin forwarded to Bridget and will forward to Desi (former GCI addresses)

Status of 2022 allocated funds (see agenda)

New Business:

Welcome to new member Lizzie Thompson (in Seattle)!

Status of elections

Michele (chair), Jenny (treasurer), and Carin (secretary) will keep roles; Marlene will move to co-chair with Bridget and/or Julianne?? Will continue discussion and table vote on elections until March meeting.

How should we transition to one event per year?

Do Circle of Life 2023 and Beat the Odds 2023, transition to one event in the spring of 2024; send a notice to donors/participants about the plan in spring 2023,

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send out sponsor letters in fall/winter 2023 for the 2024 event; table a vote until March meeting

CIRCLE OF LIFE: SATURDAY, APRIL 22ND, 2023

Stickers, reflectors, socks, or something else offered?

Current financial status

\$50,000+ left after everything that was allocated and paid out

2023 Recommended Allocation of Funds

Rollover

\$4500 treatment chair

\$3000 end of life provider training

\$1000 KFSK

\$1800 cancer support group

\$750 pamphlets

\$1500 circle of life

\$100 5 wishes brochure

\$750 misc. postage

\$6,000 chemo nurse training (Marlene will ask nurses to come up with list of books)

\$2000 chore services (Memorandum of agreement with home health)

\$0 inducements/testimonials/posters/advertisement for cancer support group and caregivers

\$400 books for library

\$6000 1st city

\$2000 cancer connection

\$8000 Wrangell cancer care

\$1000 angel flight (overhead costs)

Desi motion to allocate \$38,800; Joe 2nd; all in favor;

leaves \$11,300 for more allocations later

Joe motion to adjourn

Next meeting is **Tuesday, March 7th at 5:30**, will discuss Circle of Life details, vice-chairs, and transition to one event per year