

6.8.19 MINUTES-MDC Circle of Friends  
621 Park Avenue, Wilmette, IL

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Upcoming Meeting Dates  
Sept 14, Nov 2, 2019 + Jan 11, 2020  
3-4:30 pm CST

Present : Liz + John

Via Zoom : Jan, Lee , Courtney and Allister, Barb, Nataiya + Flip

### **Coach Corner Acknowledgements - Jan**

This was a great meeting on so many levels and I wanted to thank all of you who participated. Matt's life right now is so good due to the ongoing commitment from all of you, so thanks. We continue to create a new paradigm for a full life for Matt.

Special thanks to Cami who supported us by setting up the Zoom link even though she was not present for this meeting.

**You all ROCK!!!!**

### **Nataiya (gets her own line item this month)**

Nataiya continues to work with all of Matt's staff for the quality of his daily life as well as with Matt's YIKES! business dealings. She will go on maternity leave soon and is expecting a baby boy. The microboard wishes her well.

The microboard has decided to buy her a gift, and Liz mentioned baby blankets. Liz will check in with Nataiya and get back to Barb for the microboard.

### **Quality of Life! All Things Matt Liz/Nataiya**

#### **-State ISP Meeting**

Liz + Nataiya attended the meeting. Liz will send the document from this meeting to the microboard.

#### **-Plan summer faux-birthday party**

\*The date for the party will be on Saturday, June 22nd, 4-5:30. Liz has obtained a permit for a grill and picnic table.

\* Courtney will resend the Evite to non-responders. Currently 13 people are coming.

\* Lee will be there for the party and will be in charge of the food.

\* Nataiya has lots of plates + cups + napkins. **Perhaps 3 tables are needed as well as tablecloths?**

\* Flip will bring some games and some frisbees

## Treasurer's Report - John

MDC Circle of Friends, Inc.				
Income Statement				
For the Periods Ending May 31, 2019 and 2019				
	2019	2018	Inc. (Dec.)	Notes on Differences
<b>Income</b>				
AV Passthrough	\$ 9,635	\$ 9,635	\$ -	
Contributions	3,087	7,095	\$ (4,008)	Timing - In 2018 \$5K contribution recorded in January and December
	12,722	16,730	\$ (4,008)	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Rent	\$ 5,600	\$ 5,750	\$ 150	Modest rent increase offset by increased rent subsidy check.
Car	3,490	3,310	(180)	increase in monthly charge from Clearbrook
Tutoring	-	298	298	No tutoring in 2019
Employment Assist.	2,200	2,095	(105)	Nataiya Yikes! assistance.
Apartment	64	140	76	Miscellaneous items.
Food/Groceries	750	307	(443)	Added pizza night outings
Recreation	989	168	(821)	Increased social outings with Nataiya
Clothing	-	48	48	
Books/dvd	84	299	215	
Taxes	791	2	(789)	Paid state and federal taxes due to extra income in 2018. 2019 refund likely.
	-	-	-	
	13,968	12,417	(1,551)	
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$ (1,246)</b>	<b>\$ 4,313</b>	<b>\$ (5,559)</b>	
<b>Other support-Annually</b>				
Eichars - \$2300 internet/electricity/phone, Zoom \$200				
Flip - \$1500 - groceries, birthday bowling party				
Wilmette - \$2700 rent subsidy				
Liz - \$1,000, misc items Sunday's with Matt				
John -\$1,000 Sunday lunch				
Gift cards				

MDC Circle of Friends, Inc.					
2019 Actual vs. Budget					
31-May-19					
	Actual	Budget	Variance		
	2019	2019	Pos. (Neg)	Notes on Differences	
<b>Income</b>					
AV Passthrough	\$ 9,635	\$ 9,635	\$ -		
Contributions	3,087	4,167	(1,080)		
	12,722	13,802	\$ (1,080)		
<b>Expenses</b>					
Rent	\$ 5,600	\$ 6,050	\$ 450	Due to increase in Wilmette rent subsidy and timing	
Car	3,490	3,629	139	Impact of new lease / offset by Yikes! paying for more gas	
Tutoring	-	-	-	Effective 10/1, no charges for nurse tutor	
Employment Assist.	2,200	2,458	258	Timing of payments	
Apartment	64	538	474	No major repairs YTD	
Food/Groceries	750	258	(492)	Pizza night expenses/other	
Activities	989	2,083	1,094	Should increase as weather warms up.	
Clothing	-	167	167		
Books/dvd	84	208	124		
Taxes	791	600	(191)	Higher than expected taxes.	
Other	-	250	250		
	13,968	16,242	\$ 2,274		
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$ (1,246)</b>	<b>\$ (2,440)</b>	<b>\$ 1,194</b>		

## Guardianship

Liz has been in contact with Laura Duda of the Duda Law Group regarding adding Nataiya as co-guardian of Matt. In July there is a co-guardianship court date.

The process to complete co-guardianship is not just signing some papers. It will include the need to petition the court, possibly have a guardian ?? to interview Matt, a possible housing plan request, and we might need an estate guardianship for any money Matt earns .

No firm cost estimate for this process is possible, but she has indicated it won't be less than \$2,000.

A motion was made and passed to use monies donated to the MDC Circle of Friends for this purpose.

Flip gave an update on his Social Security benefits for Matt. Flip + Liz will work on this together and report back to the microboard. Once Matt starts to receive these benefits, John + Nataiya + Liz will brainstorm with ActiveVisions about paying for some of the services with this increased funding.

### **Coaches' Corner Updates**

-Keep sending Matt cards, postcards + selfies. Continue to update the WHO/WHAT/WHEN page and the MDC snail mail page as needed.

#### **WHO/WHAT/WHEN**

#### **MDC Mailing List**

### **Microboard meeting agendas September, 2019-January 2020**

**Sept 14** 3-4:30 pm CST

- discussion of pizza party/birthday party in November for Matt's real bday, which in November 6th
- planning for December holiday party and open house.
- preliminary planning of gratitude friend-raiser letter and MailChimp gratitude letter

**Nov 2** 3-4:30 pm CST

- finalized gratitude friend raiser letter

**Jan 11, 2020** 3-4:30pm CST

- budget for 2020

### **Additional items discussed (action items)**

- Liz will send Jan some photos of Matt on the beach/ and Matt cleaning with Jeff to use for future MailChimp campaigns

-Liz is considering having Courtney to take over Matt's Facebook and possibly transitioning Matt's personal Facebook page (not YIKES!) to Instagram..more popular, better quality photos, etc. Lee mentioned that it is easy to quickly move anything that has been posted on Facebook to Instagram once an account is set up.