



**Power in the Purse
Women's Giving Circle Minutes**

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 7pm

Location: The Bryan Moose Lodge

1. Membership Updates:
 - Current membership prior to the meeting was 100.
 - 3 New members joined tonight for a total of 103!
 - Total attendance tonight was 37, which included 1 guest.
2. Sponsorship Update: Current sponsors for 2017:
 - Anderson Vreeland
 - Bryan Lincoln Ford
 - Bard Family Foundation
 - F & M Bank
 - Spangler Candy Company
3. Presentations: 5 nominations were received, representing only 2 organizations.
 - Bryan Area Soccer Association/Field Lights by Carrie Schlade
 - Montpelier Parks & Rec/Storrer Park Restrooms by Barb Fisher
4. Winning Organization: Bryan Area Soccer Association
5. Previous Meeting Recipient Presentation: Mary and Victor Juarez from Never Let Go Ministries spoke on the services they offer the community. They shared information on drug addictions and their mission to keep kids drug-free. With our donation they were able to buy some devotional books and will also offer a scholarship this year. They expressed their sincere gratitude in helping them to fulfill their mission. Tonight Never Let Go was presented with another check for \$100 from Members who joined following the last meeting.
6. PIP Reminders: Pam Bard Steel opened the meeting by welcoming members and guests. The new nomination process for 2017 was reviewed which allows other PIP members to present on your behalf. Beginning tonight, during the closing comments, PIP members will be allowed to briefly announce upcoming events or noteworthy projects/programs. Jody Freeman concluded the meeting with closing comments.
7. Comments: After tonight's meeting, over \$34,000 has been awarded to six organizations since PIP began in 2016. Together we are making a difference!
8. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm.