



District 27-B1 Cabinet Minutes
Sunday, April 26, 2015
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1. **Call to order** @ 1:00 P.M. – DG Gary Silah
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by IPDG Dawn Christensen
3. **Song & Prayer** led by Lion Diane Henke "God Bless America"

4. **Welcome & Introduction** special guests by DG Gary Silah. Special welcome to Lion Rose Berendes, wife of VDGE Tom Berendes, Lion Mike Hartmann and Lion Mike Helmke introduced his replacement for Zone Chairman, Lion Ellen Cheney, President of Sheboygan Evening Lions. DG Gary Silah said **"WE MADE IT! THANK YOU, YOU ALL MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO STEP IN, I AM PROUD OF THIS CABINET"**

5. **Roll Call** was taken by Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Dave Holschbach. 27 Cabinet members and 5 PDG present.

6. **Approval of Cabinet Minutes** from January 4th, 2015 motion made by PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by PDG Tom Clausen. **MOTION CARRIED**

7. Two additions made to the published agenda, WLF representative Lion Fred Gebhart asked for additional time to talk about the Vision Screening "SPOT" Camera and PDG Meg Post asked for time to talk about the Leader Dog Capital Kennel Renovation. Motion for approval of Agenda with the additions by PDG Jerry Post, 2nd by Lion Ken Rivers. **MOTION CARRIED**

8. **2014-2015 Financial Statement** - Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Dave Holschbach distributed the financial statements through March 31, 2015 showing positive cash of \$ 8,000. Based on the remainder of the year, we will anticipate about \$700 additional income and expenses of \$11,500. This will net to a loss this year of (\$2500). He reminded cabinet members that this year's District Conference was a loss of (\$2300) He reminded the Conference Committee to review their prices this year so there will not be a loss going forward and to not make commitments for donation until the financial report is complete. Also distributed the current balances in the Non Budget Funds. Motion by Lion Mike Helmke, 2nd by Lion Gary Roehrig to approve the financial statements. **MOTION CARRIED** Lion Dave also reminded cabinet members to turn in their Cabinet Reimbursement Form and check will be written today.

9. **Tail Twister** Lion Helen Mork could not make the meeting and asked VGDE Tom Berendes to step in for her and make her budget. Lion Tom reminded everyone the same rules as always.

10. **Communications:** DG Gary Silah and Lion Dave Holschbach – none received.

11. **Old Business:**

A: **2014 financial audit** PDG Gary updated everyone to the status. Late January/February he and PDG Tom Clausen received most of the information, an extension was filed until February 15th at which time he filed the report. He currently is missing 5 months of statements to properly document all checks. Final numbers seem to agree and funds seem to be properly transferred. PDG Gary's outcome was there was very poor record keeping. He wants to send a proper tax report. Motion made by PDG Merle Strelow, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde to have PDG Gary Colton continue to get the 5 months and

continue the audit. **MOTION CARRIED** PDG Vern Pautz is trying to verify the LCIF account from 2 years ago. There seems to be \$85 transferred to the District, where is it? More to follow.

B. Membership drop Green Glen/Glenbelah, there has been no mention of any of the past members joining another club. All their funds have been properly disbursed. There has been no contact with the 14 members. Zone Chair Gary will follow up.

12. New Business:

A. PHOTOS to be taken after meeting.

B. Vision SPOT Camera – WLF Lion Fred Gebhart. The information on the District grant is changing weekly. The district is eligible for 5 cameras. Hopefully by the end of May, he will know if the grant is approved. Insurance on the cameras will be covered by WLF. Lion Fred would like to develop a list of who wants to use the cameras. We will have to establish district rules and regulations. Appleton Noon Lions currently have a camera and WLF is proposing to purchase. Each camera cost \$7050, if we get the matching grant, the total would be \$ 17,625. Lion Fred has club interest in donating to the costs. DG Gary recommended a policy must be made for use of the cameras. Lion Fred will chair the committee along with Lions BJ Blahnik, Gary Roehrig, PDG Vern Pautz. Motion to move on.. **MOTION CARRIED**

C. Leader Dog Kennel Renovation was updated by PDG Meg Post. District 27B1 is NOT contributing to this capital campaign, only \$8000. Valders Lions sponsored a community Public seminar about Leader Dog. She has made a request to the Zone Chairman to promote this. Currently the fund is at 1.4 m of the 3.0 m needed. This is an ongoing campaign, pledges are accepted.

13. Committee Reports (Written reports for distribution or 3 minutes or less verbal)

A. Vice District Governor - Lion Marv Henke has set his cabinet meeting dates for next year. They are Sunday August 2nd at Fairwater Lions Clubhouse, Saturday November 14th at Paper Valley Hotel, Appleton-District Conference, Sunday February 7th at Van Dyne Lions Clubhouse and Saturday April 23rd at the Red Granite Lions. DGE Marv has his cabinet set for next year. He is in need of a chair for Youth Exchange and Peace Poster. He hopes for a FANTASTIC YEAR.

B. 2nd Vice District Governor – Lion Tom Berendes had nothing to report,

C. Constitution/Bylaws - IPDG Dawn Christensen has recommended a lot of verbage to correct. She recommends any mention of Vice District Governor to be sure to include 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor. ADD mention of Zone Chairman appointed by District Governor unless the Zone Chairman is elected at a zone meeting. She also recommends that added to the Convention/Conference Policy would be the Lioness will be responsible for a speaker at the District Conference/Convention. Motion made by PDG Jerry Post, 2nd by Lion Wendy Hartmann to ADD to the Policy that the Lioness will be responsible for providing one (1) speaker for the annual District Conference. **MOTION CARRIED** IPDG Dawn will help incoming chair PDG Jerry Post with the constitution changes.

D. GLT/GMT Chair - Lion Marv Henke noting additional

1. GMT chair Lion Mike Helmke reviewed the Club Health Assessment. The district is currently at 70 clubs, however membership is down (39). It is critical that clubs report online. Lion Mike is available for speaking. JUST ASK for MEMBERS

2. GLT chair PDG Merle Strelow has Officer Training on May 2nd & May 5th in Fond du Lac. He has a special speaker for the Presidents. Zone chairman training to fit their schedule. Be sure to report Centennial projects and activities.

E. WLF rep– Lion Fred Gebhart had a fire update at camp, the tractor has been replaced with a BIGGER and Better. 4 visitor days are already full. Camp is getting ready for the campers.

F. Affiliate President Lioness Cindy Rank as not present, however VP Lioness Jerry Post gave an update. 7 new members and no drops. Lioness will have a hospitality at the state convention. Over \$350,000 donated statewide. Lioness will be sponsoring Baby Greysen at the district conference.

G. Affiliate Liaison Lion Gerald Schmidt reported everything is running smooth.

H. LCIF chair PDG Vern Pautz reported on 20 clubs have made donations. District goal is \$50,000. Gates Foundation is still making matching funds.

I. QUEST chair PDG Vern Pautz is disappointed that there is no activity. We have funds to use in our district. Consider this for your school systems. QUEST is an excellent teaching system for the youth and also potential for membership. Contact PDG Vern if interested, Mishicot Schools do use it.

J. USA/ Canada Leadership Forum will be in Grand Rapids, Michigan September 16-20th. PDG Gary Colton has information and registration forms. District 27B2 will have a bus for only \$175. PDG Len Quinn also mentioned that Leader Dog will be one of the sponsors this year and will have seminars and also available to walk with a Leader Dog.

K. Lions Pride chair Lion Myra Schneider reminded everyone to read the articles in the newspaper and information sent to clubs. Clubs are continuing to send donations.

L. Youth Exchange /Youth Outreach Lion Sandy King did not have a report.

M. Special Olympics chair PDG Ken Wallander had a horrendous start to this year's event. They changed the times for everything this year 11-5 pm on Saturday only and no Friday. 144 screened and 87 were prescribed. ONLY 20 LIONS volunteered this year.

N. Leo Chairman Lion Joe Barth was not present-no report.

O. Peace Poster chair Lion Sandy King was not present-no report.

P. Diabetes/LEPH/Sight Conservation chair Lion Bonnie Strelow has received a new display board. Motion made by PDH Jerry Post, 2nd by PDG Meg Post to pay \$500 for the new poster display and also to donate \$ 500 for Diabetes Camp. **MOTION CARRIED** The old display will be donated to the Library.

Q. Hearing, Speech & Eyeglass Recycling chair Lion Wendy Hartmann had received 11 applications, 3 approved, 2 partial pays and 3 pending. Baby Greysen funds were over and above! Excess funds put in hearing fund for those in need. Winning club for the highest donation of \$900 was WINNEBAGO EASTSHORE. Thank for all the clubs that donated. TREMENDOUS! Baby Greysen family will talk at this year's conference.

R. Lions Eye Bank of WI rep Lion Phil Weber reported a new director at Eyebank. They now have their own website and have control over it. There will be a special announcement at the State Convention.

S. Missions of Wisconsin rep Lion Fred Gebhart reported there were missions in November and February to Nicaragua. The next mission will be in December. The Texan Lions are looking to do a mission to the Yucatan in the future. Wisconsin Missions is organizing 24-30 Lions to be a disaster crew for help in the US.

T. Leader Dog chair Lion BJ Blahnik thanked PDG Meg for the update on the Kennel campaign. He reminded everyone to specify on their checks for Leader Dog if it is for general funds or kennel campaign.

U. District Raffle chair Lion Mike De Baere had no new update.

V. State Lions Convention chair PDG Merle Strelow reminds everyone the State convention is May 14-15-16. District 27B1 meeting will be on Saturday @ 10:30 am.

W. District Convention chair IPDG Dawn Christensen has not had a followup yet, IPDG Dawn and DGE Marv Henke will meet after the state convention. IPDG Dawn will be leaving the district and DG Gary will assume that position. PDG Jerry Post has arranged for camper Bradley to return as a speaker for the conference. He currently is a senior in high school and will talk about life after the camper experience.

X. District and State Bowling Lion Bill Hilbert was not present, no report.

Y. IT chair PDG Tom Clausen is available to have seminars at zone meetings.

Z. Newspaper Editor Lion Mike De Baere will be sending requests to clubs on various themes for their input for newspaper articles.

AA. Pin Chairman Lion Wendy Hartmann turned in sales of \$93. She showed various layouts for the winning design, which was a pair of oval glasses. The district usually purchases 300 pins, she is recommending 200 or 250 only, pins have not been selling. The selling price should remain at \$ 3.00. Motion made by IPDG Dawn to purchase 200 pins at a cost of \$2.10, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde.

MOTION CARRIED

BB. District Bucket Raffle chair Lion Mike DeBaere is trying to locate the tub of raffle buckets. Has anyone seen them ?????

CC. Historian PDG Tom Clausen has no new update.

DD. Elections & Nominations chair Lion BJ Blahnik did not have any update. Please remember to file nomination papers!!

EE. Advisory/Long Range Planning PDG Tom King was not present, no report.

DG GARY THANKED EVERYONE FOR BEING A CHAIRMAN ON THE CABINET

15. Zone Chairmen Reports:

1. **Region 1 Zone 1** Lion Fred Gebhart's clubs are busy this summer raising money.
2. **Region 1 Zone 2** Lion Joe Barth, not present, no report.
3. **Region 1 Zone 3** Lion Jeannette Junk last zone meeting was hosted by Collins Lions on March 16th. Valders Lions are hosting a Leader Dog program. All clubs attended and are busy with fund raisers. They are looking for Melvin Jones nominees. Guest speaker was Amy Fricke who spoke about the Manitowoc Fire Dept fundraiser.
4. **Region 2 Zone 1** Lion Mike Helmke last zone meeting was Monday. He has been zone chairman for 4 years. He introduced Lion Ellen Cheney his replacement. In August the blind youth sailing group will be in Sheboygan. **THANK YOU MIKE !**
5. **Region 2 Zone 2** Lion Madonna Schneider helped install 5 new members for Waldo Lions, a few years ago they were thinking of folding. Thank you to PDG Meg and PDG Jerry for their support to help keep the club going. Her next zone meeting is Tuesday.
6. **Region 2 Zone 3** Lion Gary Roehring last zone meeting was Tuesday. All clubs are doing. They had received a call of a Milwaukee person in need of glasses. Gary's club donated the funds. Does the District have a contact for situations like this ? Lion Wendy Hartmann is our vision contact and she will get more information from Gary and check it out. Lion Phil Weber had an update on the Shopko program. Shopko wants each Lions Club to have a single contact, they will issue 5 vouchers good for exam, they prefer to use them on youth.
7. **Region 3 Zone 1** Lion Otto Cox's January 7th meeting had Lion BJ Blahnik as guest speaker on the importance of guide dogs. Clubs discussed vision screening and eye exams. Next meeting on May 6th with Lion Wendy Hartmann to speak on the hearing program.
8. **Region 3 Zone 3** Lion Ken Rivers last meeting was March 18th, WLF rep Lion Fred Gebhart was speaker. Clubs are involved in highway cleanup, Easter egg hunt, fishing tournaments and raffles.
9. **Region 4 Zone 1** Lion Kay Quinn's attendance was low due to meal costs, so she changed their format and went to potluck. Attendance now averages 35-45. She has used centennial themes for each meeting. The first was youth followed by blind, and then membership. Lion Bev Karst has agreed to be zone chairman next year. Clubs are very strong. She was very thankful for the opportunity to be a zone chairman. **THANK YOU KAY**
10. **Region 4 Zone 2** Lion Greg Bielski had Ashley Henke speak at the December meeting, she is hearing impaired. There was an article and picture in the paper. March meeting dealt with veterans and the problems they now face. The zone plans to have a booth at the county fair again this year. Zone is +1 for membership.
11. **Region 5 Zone 1** Lion Helen Mork was not present but sent a report. The clubs in her zone are doing fine. They are active in spring road cleanup, fisherees, spaghetti dinners and other fund raisers. The zone is having a trip to Lions Camp on June 24th. Oxford Lioness are doing well.
12. **Region 5 Zone 2** Lion Jeff Reabe February was hosted by Poy Sippi to help build their administrative funds. Their April zone will elect a zone Melvin Jones. PDG Merle Strelow has helped fire up the clubs. The new zone chairman will be from Wild Rose Lions – Jack. All clubs are active in the community. WE all need to do something that people SEE.....to help get new members. **THANK YOU JEFF**

DG GARY.....THANK YOU TO ALL ZONE CHAIRMAN FOR AN EXCELLENT JOB !!

15. Other Business-DG Gary Silah

- A. **District Meeting at State** Convention on Saturday @ 10:30 am
- B. **DGE Marv Henke** has set dates and location for 2015-2016 cabinet and has chairmen set.
- C. PDG Merle presented certificates to 12 Lions who became **GUIDING LIONS**. There will be an article and picture for the Lions Newspaper, this will let clubs know who is out there to help them.

16. Adjournment by DG Gary Silah at 4:00 pm. Appreciation gifts were given.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.....Lion Dave Holschbach, Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer