



**District 27-B1 Cabinet Minutes
Sunday, February 11th, 2018
Eagles Clubhouse
515 N Park Avenue
Fond du lac, WI 54935**

**VDGS & GMT & GLT & ZONE CHAIRMAN Meet @ 11:30 am
Lunch & Social 12:30-1:30 pm
Cabinet Meeting to Start at 1:30 pm**

Questions? Reply to this email: dajach@yahoo.com or call 920-684-0115

1. **Call to order** @ 1:30 pm – DG Fred Gebhart
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by IPDG Tom Berendes
3. **Song & Prayer** led by Song Leader & Chaplain Lion Kay Quinn. Special memorial moment for PDG Ken Wallander who recently passed away. Song "LIONS SONG"
4. **Guest** : Introduction of guest PDG GLT State Chairman Eric Holthaus, other guests Lions Dan Weber, Charlie Kiefenheim LEBW director elect from St Peter Lions and Lion Don Mitchell from Kiel Lions Zone 5 chairman elect.
5. **Roll Call** by Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Lion Dave Holschbach-28 cabinet members present
6. **Approval of Cabinet Minutes** from November 10th, 2017 motion made by DG Gary Silah, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde.

MOTION CARRIED

7. **Approval of District Convention Meeting Minutes** from November 11th, 2017 BY PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by Lion Gary Roehrig. **MOTION CARRIED**

8. **Approval of February 11, 2018 Agenda** motion made by Lion Helen Mork, 2nd by Lion Shirley Geoffroy.

MOTION CARRIED

9. **2017-2018 Financial Statement** explained by Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Lion Dave Holschbach. Current financial is in line with budget, he projects profit for the year due to district convention making a \$3,000 profit. Reminded program chairs there is money to spend in the program according to the non-budgeted funds. Motion made by Lion Wendy Hartmann, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde to accept the report. **MOTION CARRIED**

10. **Tail Twister** Lion Helen Mork reminded all of the 3 minute rule for reports. April meeting, anyone without GREEN will be fined.

11. **Communications:** DG Fred Gebhart and Lion Dave Holschbach received none.

12. **Old Business:**

- A. **NONE** to discuss

13. **New Business:**

- A. **2017 District Convention Financial** showed a profit for 2017. PDG Jerry Post explained that there were various items that were donated, some of them were, Lioness no cost for Friday decorations, NO Charge from Lions for running Friday Casino night, District bucket raffle, 50/50 raffled exceeded expectation and no reimbursement for gift to PID. PDG Jerry said "LIONS are Very Generous!"

- B. **2nd Vice District Governor Elect** update was given by Lion BJ Blahnik. The 2nd Vice District Governor position was vacant at convention time. The District HARDSHIP policy was put in effect, within 2 weeks from the convention; the position

must be filled and has been. Lion Tom Wendt from St Peter has accepted the position. DG Fred Gebhart confirmed that Lion Tom has met all of the obligations. Cabinet must vote to accept, paper ballot not need. No opposition was heard, nomination was accepted by the cabinet. Lion Tom has been a member of the Van Dyne Lions and is currently their president. Why did he come forward ? He really believes in LIONS. He mentioned he has a lot to learn and big shoes to fill. THANK YOU

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

A. **1st Vice District Governor** Lion David Lee is finalizing his cabinet for 2018/2019. Anyone not interested in serving next year let him know, or if you would like to chair another program let him know. Zone chairman please consider moving up in leadership. His goals for 2018/2019 will be in membership and leadership. DG Fred reported that GMT Lion Dennis Schwartz is working on a game plan for next year. GLT Lion Ken Rivers is still wondering what he should be going. DG Fred will work and mentor him for next year. 2nd Vice District Governor-Lion Mike De Baere has had a slow start on training.

B. **WLF Rep** Lion Wendy Hartmann has zones 1-5 and IPDG Tom Berendes has zones 6-11 Lion Wendy has handouts for zone chairman and also raffle tickets. Be sure your clubs report any vision screening being done to meet the challenge. IPDG Tom reported our district is leading the state in vision screening. The Lions Camp rope course is going to need replacement. Trees are dying, they are looking to add a zip line, it will cost 1.5 M. Major fundraiser in 2018-2019 year.

C. **Affiliate President** Lioness Cindy Rank was not present and had no report.

D. **Affiliate Liaison** Lion/Lioness PDG Meg Post reported no meeting since District Convention.

E-1 **Constitution & By Laws** chair PDG Jerry Post thanked everyone for supporting the \$1.50 increase in dues for leadership training. He is working on changing the numbers in the convention policy to reflect current counts. He will get the updated constitution on zip drives for future year leaders.

E-2 **Leader Dog** chair PDG Jerry Post reported Wisconsin is # 4 in donations and District 27B1 is 7th in the state. Linda McClain was the speaker at the VGD trip to Leader Dogs. This is her 50th anniversary and is now on her 13th leader dog. PDG Jerry gave VDGE Dave a miniature brick from Leader Dogs.

E-3 **Newspaper** Editor PDG Jerry Post thanked the clubs for submitting articles and pictures. Keep up the great work. DON'T stop.

E-4 **District Convention** chair PDG Jerry Post has accepted the chair for the 2018 District in Appleton. We made a profit of \$3,200 this year. A lot of SMILES and LAUGHS this year. Meg and Jerry have zip drives with information and ideas on how to put on a convention.

F-1 **LCIF** chair Lion Mary Jo Abler has been busy working with clubs to convert donor Melvin Jones to club Melvin Jones. The district had over \$4,000 credits in limbo, now down to \$300. Our district has had 38 clubs donate totaling \$ 25,200 our goal is \$ 34,000. Lions club just donate something. Some donations do not have proper recognition. Donations do come back to our area via disaster relief and LCI grants. 7 clubs have not donated in 5 years.

F-2 **QUEST** Lion Mary Jo Abler has the New Holstein schools currently using QUEST in their curriculum. They have been impressed with the lessons. Any interested contact Lion Mary Jo. There are funds available to help in training. She will work with Lions clubs to get Quest into the school systems.

F-3 **Leo Chairman** –Lion Mary Jo Abler reported our district now has 2 Leo clubs. The newly formed Husky Hand and Hearts club sponsored by the Winnebago East Shore and New Holstein. They have been active in fundraisers and eye glass collection. The LEOS are taking control ! She has not received any information or reports on the Leo Club in Reedsville. Hopefully they do not fold. DG Fred has talked to the Reedsville club. The Leo Club is working independently and has maybe 20 members. DG Fred will continue to clarify what is happening.

G. **USA/Canada Leadership Forum** chair PDG Gary Colton says get information on the website. This year's forum is in Columbus Ohio September 20-22nd and PID Mark Hintzmann is the chair. Over 80 Great Leadership Forums. Theme is "Building TEAMS with Leadership"

H-1. **Centennial Celebration** chair PDG Ken Rohde reports Wisconsin's centennial will be in 2022.

H-2 **State Lions Convention** has been moved to Lake Geneva stated by PDG Ken Rohde. The sailing simulator will be revealed.

I. **Lions Pride** chair Lion Myra Schneider reported the board continues to take good care of the money donated. Currently the endowment is at 8M. This year PRIDE gave \$ 115,000 to WLF. Every dollar helps, it goes to a good cause.

J-1 **Youth Exchange /Youth Outreach** Lion Bonnie Strelow reported youths are applying for camp. Anyone interested in hosting a youth, please contact her.

J-2 **Diabetes Awareness & Action** Lion Bonnie Strelow reminded everyone Diabetes Alert Day in March 27th. Encourage your club to plan a diabetes event. Lion Bonnie is available anytime. DG Fred is on the Diabetes Awareness Committee. Our district is in need of another tri-fold diabetes display. Motion made by Lion BJ Blahnik, 2nd by Lion Wendy Hartmann to purchase a 2nd display. Cost is approximately \$500. **MOTION CARRIED** PDG GLT State Chairman Eric Holthaus reported there will be a capital campaign announced at this year's International Convention for diabetes. Wisconsin's WLF is a leader in Diabetes Awareness

K. **Special Olympics** – Char Wallander will get DG Fred all the information on the April 7th Special Olympics in Oshkosh. 2nd VDG Lion Mike De Baere will help work the event, HELP is needed. Someone will have to bring one of the spot cameras.

L-1 **Peace Posters** kits are now available per Lion Laurie Sasada. This year's theme is "KINDNESS MATTERS". Order online at Lions supply.

L-2 **Pin** Chairman Lion Laurie Sasada will have pricing at the next cabinet meeting. This year's pin design winner was Kailie Sasada.

M-1 **Environment** chair Lion Rose Berendes keeps in contact with all the clubs for the environment centennial challenge. She is promoting the state pin with the Monarch Butterfly. There will be a booth at the state convention.

M-2 **My LCI** chair Lion Rose Berendes says the club secretaries have been super responsive. Our district has had 16/17 months at 100% reporting. 11 clubs have done all 5 centennial challenges. 20 clubs no activity reported. It is becoming more and more important to report.

N-1 **Hearing Preservation Awareness & Action** rep Lion Wendy Hartmann has had slow activity. 1 denied, 1 approval and 2 self pay. Lion Wendy has always demanded 2 financial status reports. This will now become a statewide policy.

N-2. **Eyeglass Recycling** chair Lion Wendy Hartmann will be going to WLF and taking glasses to the recycling center.

O. **Lions Eye Bank of WI** rep Lion Phil Weber reported groundbreaking was done for the new facility. LEBW has launched a new website with more information for transporters. Thank you to all Lions/Lioness transporters. They continually need donations to support their grants.

P. **Wisconsin Lions Missions** chair Lion Pat Knier has 2 missions in February to El Salvador and Nicaragua. There may be a possible mission to Cuba and Haiti. Shipping things to foreign countries has become very expensive. Lion Pat is available for meetings.

Q. **Vision Screening** DG Fred reported Wisconsin Lions have a challenge to screen 100,000 by the end of April. District 27 B1 has 25,135 screened. DG Fred has trained 14 Lions for vision screening and the district currently has 7 SPOT cameras. It is best to work through the school nurses for getting into schools for vision screening.

R. **District Raffle** chair Lion Mike De Baere had no update.

S. **District and State Bowling**: State bowling will be in Monroe February 24-April 16 per PDG Eric. Lion Myra reported due to no support, the District bowling had to be cancelled. Emails and calls were made with no response. We have to consider other options, 9 pin tournament, bean bag tournament, blind bowling, scotch doubles, age restriction? Be Creative! Maybe send out a district survey.

T-1. **IT & Publicity** PDG Tom Clausen warned everyone to watch out for scammers, could be posing as a club president to get money for false claims. 75% of clubs have websites or Facebook links. Instructions on state website on how to get FREE website.

T-2 **Historian** information is up to date per PDG Tom Clausen. Check to make sure the Melvin Jones and other awards are up to date.

U. **District Bucket Raffle** chair Lion Shirley Geoffroy thanked everyone for their help and success of last year's raffle.

V. **Elections & Nominations** chair Lion BJ Blahnik needs to destroy the ballots from the convention. Motion by PDG Ken Rohde to destroy the ballots, 2nd by Lion Helen Mork. **MOTION CARRIED**

W. **Advisory/Long Range Planning** – PDG Gary Silah needs some input.

15. Zone Chairmen Reports:

1. **Zone 1** Lion Phil Weber last meeting February 6th. All clubs in attendance. A few clubs are very active with vision screening, Cornea transporting, blood drives and various activities. Next zone meeting April 3rd, speaker Dr. Cheryl Roers and her Haiti mission and WLF Lion Wendy Hartmann.

2. **Zone 2** Lion Al Kanaugh clubs are all active in Rose Sales, blind bowling, village rummage sales, food pantries, vision screening and other community projects.

3. **Zone 3** Lion BJ Blahnik clubs are very active. Plymouth's Dare to Dream Park is now open to the disadvantaged. Next zone meeting at Rupp's in Cleveland. Sailing Simulator will be unveiled at the state convention.

4. **Zone 4** Lion Madonna Schneider reported all her clubs are healthy and active.

5. **Zone 5** Lion Gary Roehrig handed his report over to incoming zone chair Lion don Mitchell. He reported a 4 member increase. Thank you to Lion Al Depies and Lion Katie Karl for making the Husky Hand and Heart Leo club become a reality. Thank you to St Peter Lions for all of their vision screening. All clubs are active in community projects.

6. **Zone 6** Lion Tom Barnes was not present and had no report. His zone meeting was cancelled due to weather and will be rescheduled.

7. **Zone 7** open

8. **Zone 8** Lion Peggy Zickert was not present and had no report.

9. **Zone 9** Lion Dave Brinkmann reported no change in membership. Green Lake Lions has a 100% Melvin Jones membership. Clubs active in vision screening, food pantries, eyeglass collection, scholarships and other community projects. The Kingston Lioness have voted to disband.

10. **Zone 10** Lion Carl Rasmussen clubs are active in fisherees. LOTS of FISH

11. **Zone 11** Lion Dave Przekurat was not present and had no report.

16. Other Business - DG Fred Gebhart

A: **Next Meeting date** April 15th same place same time. Zone chairman get ideas for Lion Dave's year to help keep the district growing. Round table discussion at 11:30 am, available to all LIONS !

Other Business ;

1. PDG Eric is chairman of the Birch Sturm committee, his term ends and is looking for a replacement.

2. PDG Jerry Post reported the Lioness donated the convention buttons they had for future conventions.

3. PDG Len Quinn would like to see a speaker system at future meetings.

4. WLF Lion Wendy has Lions Camp for Kids raffle tickets.

5. DG Fred made the following presentations: IPDG Tom Berendes received a commemorative plaque from Lions Club International in recognition for running District 27B1. DG Fred also presented IPDG Tom with a Ray Hempel Fellowship from District 27-B1 for his service to the district.

6. DG Fred also presented Lion Rose Berendes with a Melvin Jones Fellowship as a personal thank you for all the help she has been to him and the district.

7. DG Fred has 2017-2018 chairman and zone chairman pins available.

8. Tail Twister Helen collected \$ 48.00

9. Question about where are the district cabinet photos taken at the first cabinet meeting. DG Fred will contact Lion Jerry Jahns.

10. Guiding Lions are needed; it is a 2 year term and can be done online.

11. Leadership Programs to start in the future, more at the April meeting.

Motion for **Adjournment** by Lion Wendy Hartmann, 2nd by Lion BJ Blahnik . **MOTION CARRIED**