



MINUTES

District 27 B-1 First Cabinet Meeting
Sunday August 5, 2007
C J's @ Wayside
Ripon, WI
Meeting 12:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order @ 12:35 p.m by DG Vern Pautz. Welcome to all, let's have a fun year. Introduction of Past International Director Wayne Heiman.
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by IPDG Ken Wallander.
3. Prayer and Song-PDG Steve Pautz led members in "God Bless America". Lion Pat Knier submitted a prayer read by PDG Gary Colton.
4. Cabinet members introduced themselves, their position, club and any guests they may have brought along.
5. Opening remarks by DG Vern Pautz. In his meeting with the zone chairman, he talked about "Challenge to Change" "Challenge to Change " is the new International President's theme for 2007-2008. We need momentum to propel us forward, in order to survive, we have to change. We have assembled a great group for this year's cabinet.
6. Roll call was taken by Lion Dave Holschbach, Cabinet Secretary.
7. Past International Director Wayne Heiman did the induction of the 2007-2008 cabinet members. His speech was based on farming, our life is dependent on farming. All the cabinet members are a part of a **TRACTOR**, we must work together to get anything done.
 - Committee chairman** are the "spark plug" they help to start the engine and get momentum. They contribute to the success of the tractor.
 - Zone Chairman** are the "engine and the fuel". The job is to communicate with all the other parts.
 - Secretary-Treasurer** Dave is the "transmission". All information flows through him to all other levels.
 - Vice District Governor** Gary is the "wheels". These get the tractor moving and provides guidance.
 - Immediate Past Governor Ken** is the "exhaust" He is to provide knowledge and advice to keep things running smooth and not polluted.
 - District Governor Vern** is the "tractor operator". He is in control and keeps the tractor running in tip top condition.The group as a whole is the **TRACTOR**, We must function as a whole, there are some new parts and programs to be implemented, we must stay together. All members duly sworn in for their positions.

8. Cabinet Minutes from May 6, 2007 A motion from Lion Renee Seiler to accept the minutes as published. Second by PDG Vic Voigt. Motion CARRIED
9. Tail Twister/Time Keeper-Lion Irv Korth Lion Irv reported that talking during the meetings will cost you. Limit your reports to 3 minutes with a 1 minute grace. Additional time will be granted if requested. Fine will be \$ 1.00 minute.
10. Treasurers report for yearend June 30, 2007 Lion Rene Seiler reported the books have not been audited yet. All but I check has cleared the bank, that check will be voided. Motion by PDG Steve Pautz to authorize Paul Van Ess to perform audit. Second by IPDG Ken Wallander. Motion CARRIED. Motion by Lion Gary Silah to accept Treasurers report as printed, subject to audit. Second by PDH Fred Holtz. Motion CARRIED.
11. No Communications received by DG Vern Pautz or Lion Dave Holschbach.
12. Old Business: None
13. New Busines:
 - A. Proposed 2007-2008 District Budget. Motion by PDG Vic Voigt to accept Shipbuilders Credit Union as the designated bank institution. Second by PDG Bob Showers. Motion CARRIED.
 2007-2008 budget proposal- it is anticipated that there may be a small reserve from the 2006-2007 year, however costs are going up and membership is going down. Discussion : PDG Steve Pautz asked if we should consider a \$5.00 per head meal cost to help control expenses. Meal prices have risen. After lengthy discussion, it was decided not to charge an additional fee for meals. Motion by Vic Voigt to accept 2007-2008 budget dated Aug 5, 2007. Second by PDG Fred Holtz. Motion CARRIED
 Motion by PDG Steve Pautz to put out a "Donation" basket at all cabinet meals. Second by Lion Betty Clausen. Motion CARRIED
 - B. Viking Ship reimbursements – PDG Richard Christiansen has submitted \$ 854.29 for fuel and repairs to take the Viking ship to the International Convention in Chicago. The district received \$1500 1st place prize money. Motion by PDG Tom Clausen to give PDG Richard \$1500, Second by PDG Gary Colton. Discussion : It is our understanding that the float is their expense and their profit. Motion amended by PDG Tom to give \$1000 to PDG Richard and \$500 to the choral group. Second by Lion Jim Christman. Discussion : To many unanswered questions, should table this until PDG Richard is present to reply. We do not think the choral group should get anything. Motion DEFEATED at this time.
 - C. Cabinet Meetings –Saturdays ?? The question was raised if there was any interest in having the February 2008 cabinet meeting on Saturday. Consensus of the cabinet to keep the meeting schedule for Sunday February 10th at 1:00 PM
 - D. District Convention Policy . PDG Clayton Sengbush stated that the Convention committee has recommended a policy change. **Policy #2 a.** should read "Registration fee minimum of \$5.00 per... **Policy #3 d.** should read "continental breakfast may be provided..... (this will give the committee an option when dealing with pricing) **Policy 2 a.** should read " Lioness and Guest. Leos to be \$2.00 per cabinet approval. Motion by PDG Tom Koch to accept changes as noted. Second by Lion Ralph Schneider. Motion amended by PDG Tom to change **Policy 2 d.** should read " called to order no earlier than 8:15 on.... CARRIED.
 Motion by PDG Ken Wallander to accept District 27 B1 Policy Manual with changes accepted in previous motion. Second by PDG Bob Showers. Motion CARRIED. PDG Clayton will retype Policy Manual and send out.

14. Committee Reports (Written reports for distribution or 3 minutes or less verbal)
- A. Constitution/Bylaws/Protocol-PDG Clayton Sengbush
 PDG Clayton submitted a resolution to be voted on at the District Convention in November. Each club will receive a copy of the resolution which request that the district add a Second Vice President. There will be no reimbursement for this position, it purpose is to help assist the Governor and Vice District Governor. It will be up to the district to assign any duties.
- B. VDG & MERLO-VDG Gary Bilke There will be MERLO workshop in West Bend on August 28-30th. Our district needs to schedule a MERLO workshop. VDG Gary will set the date for a 1 day seminar.
- Membership-Lion Dennis Schwartz no report
- Extension-PDG Orv Kittel is having contact with Winneconne. Poysippi still having problems in town.
- Retention-PDG Del Peterson is working with the MERLO team. October will begin Lions International Membership drive. Each club should have a special meeting inviting a guest speaker to celebrate.
- Leadership-PDG Gary Colton working on 2 Officer training dates in May. Possible locations Fond du lac & Wautoma
- Orientation-PDG Del Peterson reports International is updating “ Where does your money go “
- Women’s Membership/Lion Liaison-Lion Renee Seiler reports noting new. Women are important. Best way to increase membership. Be visible.
- C. Affiliate President-Lioness Betty Warren’s goal this year is to have 100 % Lioness participation in zone meetings and improve membership.
- D. LCIF-IPDG Ken Wallander & PDG Paul Tadych plan to visit all clubs promoting Campaign Sight 2 and asking for more donations. Their goal is 10 Melvin Jones which would be a 5 year pledge. PDG Gary Colton will work with each club on what they have in funds at LCIF.
- E USA/Canada Forum-PDG Bob Showers reports this year the USA/Canada Forum is in Grand Rapids, Michigan on September 6-8. Excellent Brain Session. Appleton club reports they have room for 2 more Lions to go.
- F. WLF-PDG Steve Pautz thanked everyone for electing him to the Foundation. Lions Camp Open House is moved to September 15th. His first foundation meeting is approaching. PDG Tom Clausen reports the Health Lodge is working GREAT...PERFECT...just needs some landscaping done yet. PDG Tom is looking for volunteers to help with Open House. Donations were from about 90% of the clubs, would like to see 100%. Hearing program now taken over by the WI Lions Foundation. All funds should be earmarked for “Hearing Program”
- G. Services for Children & Children’s Vision Screening- The following was submitted by PDG Paul Tadych and Lion Betty Clausen. There are 2 phone numbers that you should be aware of : **Carrie Jordan** who operates the Northeastern office from Green Bay and is responsible for Manitowoc, Calumet, and Outagamie counties. Her phone number is **920-432-5466**. **Tammy Radwell** of Madison is responsible for the rest of our district. Her number is **608-825-1557**. These two people represent Prevent Blindness and any questions pertaining to screening or education should be directed to them. There are 43 Lions clubs participating.

- H. Quest & Youth Outreach-Lion Shirley Peterson reports that the contract is signed for Lions Quest workshop on October 16 & 17 at Anchor Lanes in Elkhart Lake. Paperwork is completed to be sent to district schools, phone call will be made to school personnel. Arrangements have been made for rooms and meals.
- I. Youth Exchange representative Lion Sandy King reported that there were 54 overseas campers at camp at the end of July. \$1700 will be the youth exchange fee again this year. They are in the process of producing a new manual. Funds are available to send kids over seas.
- J. Special Olympics PDG Orv Kittel reports that no date has been set yet. It will be either the Saturday before April 1st or the Saturday after.
- K. Leo Chairman-Lion Bill Harris reports nothing new. Still progressing on the Lions Camp calendar project.
- L. Peace Poster chairman PDG Dave Petrie asks that all zone chairman advise their clubs about the Peace Poster competition, and to contact their schools as soon as possible. They must be completed and brought to the District convention
- M. Diabetes/LEHP/Sight Conservation representative Lion Al Sabel had no new information at this time. Please feel free to call him with questions.
- N. Hearing, Speech & Eyeglass Recycling-Lion Howard Sippel reported that he has 24 hearing applications. Report is that he is feeling much better. He will get some definite answers about how the Hearing program is going to be implemented by the Lions Foundation.
- O. Lions Eye Bank of WI PDG Orv Doede reports the annual meeting was held last week. Eye donations are up, transplants are up, our district is very active.
- Q. Environmental-Lion Bill Wessing did not have a report.
- R. Mission to Mexico-PDG Bob Showers reports he has 2 missions, 1 in fall and another in spring. His warehouse is full of equipment waiting to be transported. Missions are booked 1 year in advance. Next one is October 20-31st. Lion Ralph Schneider reports there are 2 other missions in the state, the next being January/February. Donations are still needed.
- S. Leader Dog/District Raffle-PDG Vic Voigt stated that our district no longer has 100% participation, please remind clubs to donate. District raffle tickets have been distributed, goal to have \$3200 in sales.
- T. District Convention-Lion Steve Pautz-Coordinator reconfirmed the district convention is in Appleton at the Paper Valley on November 9th & 10th. PDG Steve reported that rooms are contracted for \$85.00. Registration will be \$8.00. Motion made by Lion Al Sabel and second by Lion Sandy King to accept a registration fee of \$8.00 to include the convention pin. Motion CARRIED. PDG Gary Colton reported the meal prices quoted. Motion by PDG Tom Clausen to accept menu prices as presented for meals. Second by Lion Renee Seiler. Motion CARRIED
- U. Past International Director Wayne reported that our special International guest will be Lion Dave Stoeffler of Washington, Iowa, better known as "Santa Claus"
- V. District Bowling-Lion Bill Hilbert did not have a report.
- W. IT/Newsletter-PDG Tom Clausen reported that the 27B1 website is a good source of information and publicity. Forward any information 1 month in advance to PDG Tom. The Wi Lions magazine is converting to a newspaper format to help save costs.

X. Public Relations-Lion Mary Jo Abler asks that everyone get involved with their local media and that more public relations is needed to get the word out on who LIONS are.. She will be working more with e-mail and try to funnel information down from Lions International to the club level.

Y. Photographer-Lion Dennis Schwartz did not have a report.

Z. Pin Chairman-Lion Harvey Hansen wrote that all pin designs are complete and are out for price quotations. Everything is right on target.

AA. District Bucket Raffle-Lion Craig Hansen has asked that all clubs try to donate to the district raffle at the district convention.

BB. Historian-PDG Orv Doede had nothing new to report.

CC. Elections & Nominations-Lion Ralph Schneider reminded the cabinet that any nominations for Vice District Governor and WLF representative must be received 30 days prior to the district convention.

DD. Advisory/Long Range Planning-PDG Herb Schneider wrote that at the state convention he had a conversation with 2nd International V.P. Al Brandel about our districts concern about the size of the district and the time our DG's have to put into the job to be 100% DG. 2nd VP Al's response was, International is aware of the discrepancy but do not favor changing sub district boundaries. The new International President is working on changing some of the rules for DG's and that it is possible for the VDG to take 50% of the visits this year and his remaining next year. These ideas will be presented to this years DG's School.

15. Zone Chairman Reports

A. Region 1 Zone 1-Lion Jim Klundt not present

B. Region 1 Zone 2-Lion Dave Holschbach reported his clubs are active in the summer months with park programs and do not meet on a regular schedule. This zone did produce a newspaper ad to promote Lions Week back in May and presented a copy to the Lion Jo Ann. First zone meeting will be hosted by Whitelaw Lions Club the end of September.

C. Region 1 Zone 3-Lion Jerry Post reported he has been sending out a zone newsletter. Presently the zone project is the Manitowoc County Fair ticket sales which will be split to local programs.

D. Region 2 Zone 1-Lion Dennis Schwartz wrote that all clubs are doing great. Most clubs have 1 new member since last zone meeting. Plymouth is up 2 members.

E. Region 2 Zone 2-PDG Fred Holtz reports he has 5 clubs and that they are losing some members.

F. Region 2 Zone 3-Lion Richard Schaefer's zone also ran a newspaper ad to promote Lions Week in May. His zone meeting is scheduled for September 10th. According to his records, his zone is + 2.

G. Region 3 Zone 1-Lion Jim Christman reports that all the clubs are busy with their summer fund raisers. Everything is looking well. The Appleton Lions club is sponsoring a bus to Lions Day at camp in September.

- I. Region 3 Zone 2-Some of Lion Gary Silah's clubs are in hibernation during the summer. His first zone meeting will be September 17th hosted by Dundee Long Lake with guests VDG Gary Bilke and WLF representatives.
 - J. Region 4 Zone 1-Lion Peggy Zickert is new to the job this year. He reports all of her clubs have been very active during the summer months.
 - K. Region 4 Zone 2-Lion Marv Henke did not have a report.
 - L. Region 5 Zone 1-Lion Helen Mork has her first zone meeting hosted by Oxford Lions on August 28th.
 - M. Region 5 Zone 2-Lion Sherm Hamilton's zone also did a newspaper ad promoting Lions Week in May. Clubs are all busy now with their fund raisers. Zone meeting will be at the Hancock Research Center on August 27th. Always a good time.
15. A. Other Business-Past International Director Wayne updated everyone on a few things. LCI Website is up and going with new changes. MERLO workshops have been very successful. Working on a student dues program. Lions supply has a new policy that says that any Lions club can get 1 purchase per year from a local vendor as long as that vendor downloads the logo from LCI website. LCI is also working with a vendor to help clubs with incorporation and club foundation formation. REGOGNITON...THINK POSITIVE...
 PDG Tom King introduce Jarno a youth exchange student for Denmark.. Jarno said he was delighted to be here. Thanked everyone for their contributions.
- B. Next meeting ideas, topics, time & place : Next cabinet meeting will be Sunday November 11th after the district convention at the Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton.. DG Vern thank IPDG Ken Wallander for his support and leadership this past year. Have FUN ... don't let anything get you down.....ENJOY
16. Motion by PDG Vic Voigt @ 3: 50 PM to adjourn. Second by PDG Steve Pautz.
 Motion CARRIED

RESPECTFULLY submitted Dave Holschbach, Secretary-Treasurer