



**District 27-B1 Cabinet Minutes
Saturday November 14, 2015
Radisson Paper Valley Hotel
Meeting to start promptly at 8:15 am end promptly @ 10:20**

******* NO EXTENSION IN TIME ALLOWED-MAX 3 MINUTES**

1. **Call District 27B1 40th Convention to order @ 8.00 am – DG Marv Henke**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by IPDG Gary Silah
3. **Song & Prayer** led by Song Leader & Chaplain Lion Kay Quinn-“God Bless America”
- 4.. **Flag Ceremony** : VDG Tom Berenedes introduced and gave history of the following flags.
5. United State of America, State of Wisconsin, State of Kansas-home of International Director Bill Phillipi, Lions Club International., Wisconsin Lions Foundation and Wisconsin Lions Eye Bank.
6. **Welcome by DG Marv Henke** - Welcome all LIONS to the 40th District Convention. Introduction of International Director Bill Phillipi from Marysville, Kansas.
7. **State of State Address**: by Council Chair PDG Evett Hartvig. She has been overseeing the current District Governors meetings. The State Lions directory is available online. To help cut costs for the Multi District, the Lions newspaper has gone to only 10 editions and will be redesigning the content. The state finances have been audited and they are working on more cost reductions. The state office no longer handles apparel.
8. **International Director Candidate**: PDG Connie LeCleur-Meyer welcomed all Lions and asked for our support and vote at this year’s state convention for her for International Director. She has a PASSION for Lions and GIVING spirit.

DISTRICT CABINET MEETING TO COMMENCE AT 8:15 - 3 MINUTE MAX !!!!

9. **Roll Call** – Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Lion Dave Holschbach roll taken, all cabinet members asked to stand so other Lions can see who to contact.
10. **Approval of Cabinet Minutes** from August 2nd, to include DPG Tom Clausen's report motion made by PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by PDG Jerry Post **MOTION CARRIED**
11. **Approval of Agenda** as presented by PDG Tom King, 2nd by Lion Gary Roehrig.
MOTION CARRIED
12. **2015-2016 Financial Statement** was distributed by Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Lion Dave Holschbach to cabinet members through October 31, 2015. District is right on schedule with what has been budgeted. Lion Dave reminded all Lions in attendance that cabinet and convention minutes can be found on the District 27 B1 website. This is open information for all Lions. Motion to accept the financial report by Lion Ken Rivers, 2nd by Lion Mike Helmke.
MOTION CARRIED
13. **Tail Twister** – Lion Helen Mork **3 MINUTE RULE STRICTLY ENFORCED**
14. **Committee Reports -**
 - A. **Constitution & Bylaws** – PDG Jerry Post reviewed the change being voted on at the convention. His recommendation is to vote YES.
 - B. **Affiliate President** – Lion/Lioness PDG Jerry Post reported there are 13

Lioness clubs in our district and they have completed 1,152 hours of service.

C. Affiliate Liaison – Lion/Lioness PDG Meg Post commented that our district Lions and Lioness are doing great and work well together. PDG Meg and Jerry dismissed to attend the Lioness meeting.

15. Communications: DG Marv Henke and Lion Dave Holschbach have received none.

16. Old Business:

A: 2014-2015 Audit Received letter from PDG Gary Colton of Colton Tax Service stating the books are in order for the year 2014-2015. Books were in great order.

17. New Business:

A. Voting Resolutions covered above by PDG Jerry Post

B. Certification until 3:00 PM Lion Dave Holschbach will be available at any breaks

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

D. 1st Vice District Governor Lion Tom Berendes has been very active since the last cabinet meeting. He attended the USA Canada forum and earned his Bachelor's degree from Lions University. He has toured Leader Dog facility, conducted zone meeting in Endeavor, participated in GLT, VDG training and attended MD27 cabinet meeting. He assisted Lion Fred Gebhart with vision screening and attended B2 district convention. He is continuing LCI training and additional GMT/GLT training.

E. 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Fred Gebhart is available

F. GLT/GMT Chair 1st VDG Tom Berendes reported above

1. **GMT** Lion Mike Helmke will continue to send information to clubs to the directory address. He is available to help and here for YOU.

2. **GLT** PDG Merle Strelow reported a new Lions handbook has been published and was distributed at USA Canada forum. This will now serve as officer training guide. He plans to get a handbook for each club and distribute via Zone Chairman. He will use zone meetings as officer training.

G. LCIF chair PDG Vern Pautz. Please continue to send your donations.

H. QUEST chair PDG Vern Pautz is available for help to get Quest in your schools. Great program for developing youth, funds available.

I. USA/Canada Leadership Forum chair PDG Gary Colton reported there were some AWESOME seminars this year. There were 17 Lions from our district in attendance. Next year it will be in Omaha, Nebraska. Congratulations to DGE Tom and Lion Rose Berendes on getting their Bachelors degree from Lions University.

J. Youth Exchange /Youth Outreach chair Lion Bonnie Strelow encourages Lions to host a student, it is a wonderful experience. We have a great camp for them Camp Dundee which the Lions support. Please step forward and host a student. Stop and see their display. You can select the country and student to host. See Lion Bonnie.

K. Special Olympics chair PDG Ken Wallander reported the Opening Eyes screening will be held on April 9th in Oshkosh. He is in need of 50 Lions volunteers. More later.

L. Leo Chairman –Lion Joe Barth had no report

M. Peace Poster chair Lion Laurie Sasada is busy with this year's posters. There are several posted in the hall to be voted on later. Please check them out.

N. Diabetes/LEPH/Sight Conservation IPDG Gary Silah

O. Hearing, Speech & Eyeglass Recycling chair Lion Wendy Hartmann has 4 new applications, funds are always needed.

P. Missions of Wisconsin chair 2nd VDG Fred Gebhart reported they just completed a trip to Haiti. More to come in the future.

Q. State Lions Convention representative PDG Merle Strelow reminded everyone to watch the WIS Lions newspaper for more information and forms.

R. IT coordinator PDG Tom Clausen is constantly updating the website. He would like to see more events posted on our calendar. Zone chairman please send reports and schedule of your zone meetings. Secretaries remember to update club information and membership on your MY LCI. Directory is available on line- Password 2serve **USE OUR WEBSITE !**

S. Newspaper Editor Lion Mike DeBaere needs more information to add to our district

page. Since they have cut the issues to 10, our convention information will not appear until February. Send photos and articles.

T. Pin Chairman Lion Laurie Sasada reported there are 4 pin designs to vote on for the convention.

U. Alert Chair Lion Greg Blaskowski, not present, no report.

V. Vision Screening Chair 2nd VDG Fred Gebhart has been very active, there is so much information out there now with the new technology. We have had good response in support of the SPOT vision camera. The district currently owns 3, we need a 4th, please donate. They cameras are housed at Plymouth, Chilton and Butte des Mort Lions clubs. There have been over 3,000 screened so far. Very simple and quick process.

W. Historian PDG Tom Clausen has all the district and club history on the website. Cabinet minutes go back to 1976. Forward information to him to add to your club.

X. Elections & Nominations by Lion BJ Blahnik.

District Governor Elect nomination for Lion Tom Berendes by Lion Helen Mork. Lion Tom is a 16 year Lion member and currently President of the Oxford Lions and has attended numerous training sessions. 2nd made by Lion Shirley Geoffroy. Call to floor for any other nominations three times by Lion BJ Blahnik. Motion to close nominations for DGE by PDG Merle Strelow, 2nd by PDG Tom King. **MOTION CARRIED.** 1st VG Tom did accept, It will be a pleasure to serve.

Nomination for 1st Vice District Governor for Lion Fred Gebhart made by PDG Tom Clausen. Lion Fred is a member of the Stockbridge Lions and a TRUE LION! He has been a zone chairman for 8 years along with serving as WLF Representative during that same time. He will have time to serve and be a better governor than PDG Tom was. 2nd made by PDG Len Quinn and Slider. Lion Fred has worked with PDG Len many times and has done a good job. Call to floor for any other nominations three times by Lion BJ Blahnik. Motion to close nominations for 1st VDG by PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by PDG Tom King. **MOTION CARRIED.** Lion Fred did accept. Thank you for the nomination. Lions have been a big part of his life and will continue to be.

Nomination for 2nd Vice District Governor. No nominations received prior to convention Call to floor for any nominations three times by Lion BJ Blahnik. Motion to close nominations for 2nd VDG by PDG Merle Strelow, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde. **MOTION CARRIED.** Write-ins can be made.

Nomination for WLF Director. No nominations received before convention. Nomination from the floor by PDG Merle Strelow to nominate Lion Wendy Hartmann. Lion Wendy has been a Lion for 9 years and on the district cabinet for 7 years. She has been our Hearing and Pin chair and done an excellent job. She is well accepted. 2nd made by Lion Phil Weber. He has had the privilege to work with her and supports her. Call to floor for any other nominations three times by Lion BJ Blahnik. Motion to close nominations for WLF Director by PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by PDG Gary Colton. **MOTION CARRIED.** Lion Wendy accepted and would be honored and privileged to serve as our WLF Director. Reminder that she will not be listed on the ballot and must be written in.

Nomination for District Bowling - 2016 Nomination made by PDG Merle Strelow for Poy Sipi Lions to host again, they currently are host for this year, would have to be entered as a write in. 2nd made by Lion Shirley Geoffroy. A nomination was also made by Lion Mike Helmke to have the Sheboygan Noon Lions host it at Lakeshore Lanes. They have hosted it in the past. The 2nd was made by Lion Richard Karl. Call to floor for any other nominations three times by Lion BJ Blahnik. Motion to close nominations for DGE by PDG Merle Strelow, 2nd by Lion Ken Rivers. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Nomination for District Convention site, there are 3 to chose from Heidel House in Green Lake, Holiday Inn in Fond du Lac and Radisson Paper Valley in Appleton. Prices are in the \$80-\$90 range. All facilities are comparable. There are booths in the display area. Call to floor for any other nominations three times by Lion BJ Blahnik. Motion to close nominations for Convention site by PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by Lion Ken Rivers **MOTION CARRIED.**

19. Zone Chairmen Reports: ----Written Reports only :

1. **Region 1 Zone 1** 2nd VDG Fred Gebhart clubs are all active with holiday projects
2. **Region 1 Zone 2** Lion Joe Barth-not present, no report

3. **Region 1 Zone 3** Lion Jeannette Junk zone is doing well and geared up for fundraisers. New fundraisers ideas - BOWLING BLIND. Next zone meeting November 16 hosted by Newton Lions, the 3rd Monday in March at St Nazianz.
4. **Region 2 Zone 1** Lion Ellen Cheney has visited 4 clubs and installed 1 new member. DG Marv and WLF Lion Fred were host speakers at the September zone. Her zone is very active with the SPOT camera, over 1500 screened, schools are very excited about the camera. She has been working hands on with all of her clubs. Lion Lou Cecil and her taped a TV/Radio program featuring Lions in the zone and what they do. Her goal is to increase membership, promote flexibility broaden fund raisers and working with the Blind Match Sailing in September.
5. **Region 2 Zone 2** Lion Madonna Schneider clubs are healthy and active. Next zone meeting February 23rd hosted by Cascade Lions.
6. **Region 2 Zone 3** Lion Gary Roehrig clubs are active and working on numerous projects. Next Meeting will be January 11th hosted by St. Peter Lions.
7. **Region 3 Zone 1** Lion David Lee's last zone meeting was October 21st hosted by Appleton Noon Lions. All clubs in attendance. DG Marv and Lion Fred were guests. DG Marv handed out awards. Each club gave an update about their activities. He challenged all clubs to increase membership by 10%. Winter meeting to be January 13th hosted by Neenah Lions.
8. **Region 3 Zone 2** Lion Tom Henke was newly elected, and has not had a formal meeting yet.
9. **Region 3 Zone 3** Lion Ken Rivers last meeting was October 29th and the next will be January 14th. Zone Membership is down 2. All clubs involved in various Holiday dinners for Seniors and fun day for kids. Pickett and Van Dyne Lions will be collecting deer hides.
10. **Region 4 Zone 1** Lion Bev Karst first zone meeting was September 14th. IPDG Gary Silah was speaker and talked about Service Projects vs. Fundraisers and the Centennial Program. All her clubs are active in various service projects. All her clubs are concerned about membership. Next zone meeting will be dedicated to Membership Idea Exchange. Next zone meeting is January 5th hosted by Oshkosh Lakeshore Lions.
11. **Region 4 Zone 2** Lion Greg Bielske not present, no report
12. **Region 5 Zone 1** Lion Helen Mork clubs each gave a report of their activities. Oxford's membership continues to grow. All clubs are very active with donations to their communities.
13. **Region 5 Zone 2** Lion Dave Przekurat clubs are all active with community support including Thanksgiving dinners, Salvation Army bell ringers, food baskets for the needy, free breakfast with Santa. Last zone meeting was October 7th in Wild Rose and the next will be January 5th in Wautoma.

20. Other Business-DG Marv Henke

A: Lions Eye Bank of WI representative Lion Phil Weber thanked the districts dispatchers and transporters. Eye Bank President PDG Jerry W & PDG Rich presented a joint "KNIGHT of SIGHT" award to PDG Len Quinn and Lion Kay Quinn. This is the highest form of recognition. Lion Kay was very proud of the Lions and their support. Currently money donated to WI Eye Bank is used to get more promotion with donor families and their thanks and also to the Gift of Sight Discover fund to help fund more research. They are promoting the donor program. "Without Donors there would not be an Eye Bank." Thank you for your contributions.

B. Next meeting February 13th at Van Dyne Lions Clubhouse
Motion to Adjourn by Lion Ken Rivers, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde at **10:00 AM**

DG Marv ended the cabinet meeting with these words....." IT TAKES TEAMWORK " support and run our district.

CONVENTION TO RESUME WITH AGENDA

Cabinet minutes respectfully submitted by Lion Dave Holschbach CST