



We Serve

District 27-B1 State Convention Minutes Saturday May 5, 2018

**Grand Geneva Resort - Lake Geneva
Meeting to start at 9:00 am to 10:45 am**

CERTIFICATION TO TAKE PLACE DURING SCHEDULED MEEING TIME
CST Dave Holschbach

1. **Call to order** @ 9:00 am by DG Fred Gebhart
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by IPDG Tom Berendes
3. **Prayer** led by DG Fred Gebhart
4. **Welcome by** DG Fred Gebhart. DG Fred is in the "FINAL COUNTDOWN" "It has been a Quick and Painless year."
5. **Introduction** of Cabinet Members in attendance and description of what they do.

6. **Old Business:**

A. DG Fred - Remarks- gave a Year wrap up. He is still busy with things to do before the end of his term. The year went by so fast. **Thank you for your support.** His focus has always been on vision screening and this year District 27B1 has the most in the state. There is still work to be done. He would like to see eyeglass buckets in schools..Officer training is always available. MY LION and MYLCI are having some changes please have patience and be sure to report all of your service projects and hours of service.

B. Leadership Funds: Cabinet Secretary Dave Holschbach explained starting July 1, 2018 there will be a district fund for Officer training. The referendum was approved at the last convention to add \$ 1.50 per member annually to the billable dues. Based on current membership, this will generate approximately \$2,900 annually. The monies will be set aside in a Non-Budgeted Funds account, any monies remaining at yearend will rollover into this account for future use. At the last cabinet meeting the guidelines were approved by the cabinet members. Lion Dave read the rules and guidelines. He encouraged all clubs to do more training and submit their bills, MONEY is available .This will be a learning project for the district. DGE Dave Lee added ELLI (Emerging Lions Leadership Institute) is available for prospective Club Presidents.

C. Special guest appearances by PIP Moore. PID Mark Hintzmann introduced our special guest from Alabama-PIP Moore. It has been a pleasure to attend our state convention and appreciated the offer to come. Changes in Lions is inevitable, Lions are ready for the changes for the future. Wisconsin Lions due **GREAT WORK. WISCONSIN LIONS TAKE THE LEAD IN LIONISM ! THANK YOU !!**

7. New Business:

A. DGE David Lee Plans for 2018 - 2019. DGE Dave Lee thanked DG Fred and Lion Dave and all of the cabinet members for a great year. His theme will be "**BE the DIFFERENCE**" Continue to grow DO NOT stop. He will have some aggressive goals, but we can do it ! His focus will be Diabetes, Let the community know what we do and some friendly competition between EAST and WEST

B. 1st VDE Mike De Baere Plans for 2018-2019 is to concentrate on our AGING Lions problem, we need YOUTH. And more volunteering and to have a FUN year.

D. IPDG Jerry Post 2018 district convention is at Appleton Paper Valley Hotel plans for the convention are coming together. There will be some exciting things. MORE to come. Spouses play an important part.

E. Presentation by Lion Bob Newton of the Sheboygan Falls Lions to DG Fred of a custom handmade wooden bowl with a penny for the current year in thanks to his service to District 27 B1.

F. PCC Dean Haas spoke on behalf of the Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin. The new building will open the end of September. NO capital campaign was needed. There are more and more donors. A potential new club in Little Chute/Kimberly area.

DG Fred introduced Lion Charlie Kiefenheim from St Peters Lions as the new district representative for LEBW and also Lion Charlie Kolb of the Cleveland Lions who in on the Board of Directors for Lions Pride. The Oshkosh Lakeshore Lions will be disbanding June 30, 2018, however they have found new clubs.

A new LEO club is in the works for the New Holstein and Winnebago East Shore and potential Leo clubs in Elkhart Lake and Kiel. They will continue to work with the Reedsville Leo Club and give guidance where needed.

8. Closing Remarks by DG Fred "It has been a pleasure to YOUR district Governor. Our district sets the STANDARD for others to FOLLOW" Get all you club members involved. We are all ONE FAMILY. Standing Ovation for DG Fred and Joyce

IPDG Tom Berendes asked if the district had funds available for sponsorship in the PRIDE Shoot. Lion Dave replied YES due to many LIONS not asking for their budget reimbursements. Motion made by IPDG Tom for the district to sponsor a shooting station at a cost of \$250 at the LIONS PRIDE SHOOT, 2nd by PDG Ken Rohde. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Lion Dave certified 37 Lions members for voting and 34 actually voted.

9. Adjournment motion by PDG Ken Rohde, 2nd by Lion Bonnie Strelow to adjourn at 10:25 am. **MOTION CARRIED.**