

MINUTES OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

OF LIONS CLUBS DISTRICT N-1

SECOND CABINET MEETING

RIVERVIEW LIONS CLUB

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23 NOVEMBER, 2008.

Registration was taken by CST George Mitton prior to the meeting with 30 clubs and 88 members present. Including 9 Zone Chairs and 23 Committee Chairs.

District Governor Roderick P. Wright called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

Zone Chair Dale Carter led in the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

IPDG Luke Stennick led in the singing of "O Canada."

A moment of silence for deceased lions, world peace and our service men and women was observed.

DG Rod then introduced the head table, consisting of himself, King Lion Mike McGee of the Riverview Lions Club, CST George, and VDG Claude LeBlanc.

DG Rod asked that all PDGs present stand and be recognized. 16 PDGs were acknowledged.

DG Rod also acknowledged a lioness member in attendance.

KL Mike then welcomed all in attendance to their club, and gave details on our lunch plans.

DG Rod delivered his opening remarks concerning the wonderful turnout considering the weather.

DG Rod asked VDG Claude to deliver his opening remarks. VDG Claude welcomed all lions in attendance and spoke briefly on the USA/Canada Leadership Forum and what a fabulous experience it had been. He encouraged all lions to attend a forum if possible.

CST George then presented his roll call report. See above.

CST George then presented the districts' financial report. On a motion from PDG Sonny Bonnell and seconded by IPDG Luke, the report accepted as presented.

PCC Rheal Cormier then reminded the meeting that the agenda had not yet been approved. Acceptance of the agenda was moved by ZC Dale and seconded by King Lion Terry Brown, motion carried.

CST George Then gave a report on the Lion Ron Evans Bursary Fund. The funds value as at 12 Nov. '08 is \$9325.07. It was the moved by PDG Boyd Sangster and seconded by Council Chair Tim Hoban that the report be accepted, motion carried.

The minutes of the First Cabinet Meeting of 14 September, 2008, having been circulated. It was moved by Lion Norah Davidson-Wright and seconded by PDG Denzil Bernard that they be approved. Motion carried.

At this time a Leadership Workshop on the Art of Recognition and its' importance to Lions Clubs was presented by Lion Doug Small. The workshop was very well presented and well received by the members in attendance. This workshop is available to all clubs.

The meeting then adjourned for lunch.

When the meeting reconvened, DG Rod then called for any Zone and Committee Reports.

1. Alert Chair Lion Norah Davidson-Wright presented her report and encouraged all lions clubs to consider starting the Alert program in their communities.
2. CDA NB Chair Neil Hanssen reported that funds for Harry Newman Awards would no longer be banked by the CDA. He has available a list of those clubs who currently have banked monies.
3. CDA PEI Chair George Vail delivered his report concerning the test strip program on PEI providing \$100 per month to residents dependant on insulin.
4. Constitution & By-Laws Chair PCC Rheal Cormier reported on the planned amendments concerning the position of Second Vice District Governor, replacement of the 4th Cabinet Meeting, LFC, LCIF and Lion of the Year Awards criteria, and the date of said presentations. These shall be drafted as Notices of Motion for presentation at the Third Cabinet Meeting.
5. Convention Chair PCC Sonny gave a brief report of the ongoing plans for the annual convention. It will be held at the Fort Howe Hotel (Formerly Keddy's) in Saint John 17-19 April, 2009. Registration forms are now available and will be distributed throughout the district.
6. Elections Chair PDG Jan Phillips gave a brief report encouraging those lions seeking higher office to get their election forms in early.

7. Environment Chair Lion Brenda Clark encouraged all lions to visit her display in the hall and she noted that she had received reports from the Geary, Burtt's Corner and Barkers Point Lions Clubs.

8. Extension Chair Lion Terry Brown delivered his report on the Extension Workshop scheduled for 15-16 April, 2009 in Fredericton. Registration Forms are available and the deadline is 31 Jan. 2009.

9. Int'l Relations Chair CC Tim reported on the Public Relations Grant and the planned Lions Appreciation Days that he is working on. CC Tim also reported on the possible costs of newspaper advertising and the upcoming negotiations.

10. Drug Awareness Chair Lion Lorraine Pollack reported on the Portage Christmas party to be held Sunday 7 Dec. 08 at 11 a.m. at the Sussex Lions Club. There are still a few gifts in need of sponsorship.

11. Leadership Chair PDG Larry Barton reported on his committees' work and thanked Lions Don Smith and Doug Small for their help in doing presentations. The workshop at the Feb. Cabinet Meeting will be on Retention. Also, these presentations will be available via our web site in the near future.

12. LFC Chair Lion Joyce Edmondson reported that the dog walks held this year in NB had raised \$18353.00 and on PEI \$ 2130.00. She then presented certificates to the following clubs: Rexton, Sackville, River Valley, Jemseg, Lincoln, Nashwaaksis, Pickwauket, Hunter River, Winsloe, and St. Eleanors.

13. LCIF Chair IPDG Luke Stennick encouraged all clubs to continue their support for LCIF. He also took this opportunity to present Harry Newman Awards to CC Tim and PDG Boyd Sangster.

14. Long Range Planning Chair PCST Gerry Forsythe reported on the position of Second Vice District Governor and his committees' recommendations to cabinet. These shall be circulated and voted upon at the Feb. Cabinet Meeting to then be presented as a Notice of Motion to the convention.

15. MERLOW Team Liaison PCC Bev Semple reported on her team's meeting earlier in the a.m. She encouraged all lions to attend the extension workshop, she also discussed the possibility of a district 50/50 draw that had been brought forth by the Retention and Membership Chairs. This draw would be a means of encouraging attendance at cabinet meetings. PCC Bev also discussed leadership, women's issues and the ne Global Membership Team being headed up by PID Terry Graham and at the MD level by Lion Claudette Coombs.

It was moved by Lion Terry Brown and seconded by PDG Frank Sullivan that the district

proceed with the 50/50 draw, motion carried.

15. Peace Poster & Speak-Out Chair Lion Sharon Everett presented four posters that had been submitted to the district, including the winner by Stephanie Gallant, sponsored by the Hum-Lew-Sun Lions Club. The theme this year was "Peace Begins With Me" Lion Sharon also reminded the meeting of the upcoming deadlines for Speak-Out. Club level 28 Feb. 09, Zone 15 Mar. 09 and District at the convention.

17. Protocol Chair PDG Bob Kirkpatrick presented his report concerning the importance of protocol during a visit by a guest speaker and specifically the district governor to your club.

18. Zone Chair Liaison PDG Denzil reported on the Zone Chair meeting held earlier this a.m., it was attended by 9/14 chairs. PCST Gerry Forsythe and PDG Jack Moffit are replacing ZC Bernie and Keith respectively.

19. DG Rod reported on eye glass collection for Lion Gary, and how excited he will be upon the arrival of all the eyeglasses at the meeting today.

New Business

VDG Claude reported on the MD-N Fall Conference in Corner Brook NL. It was highlighted by many fine presentations and the fact that DG Rod had been nominated to serve as Council Chair for the year 2009-2010.

Lion Jim Hartlen of the Hampton Lions Club announced that a partnership had been struck with Kent Building Supplies and Mrs. Dunsters Doughnuts for the sale of fruitcakes. \$1 from the sale of each fruitcake will be donated to the district.

PDG Fred Cook Announced that LFC had received a \$75000.00 grant from LCIF for their kennel expansion project.

DG Rod reported that PDG Sheila Searle is the new Auditor for this year.

DG Rod then called for any announcements.

CST George reminded everyone that directories are available at \$7, MD-N pins at \$3, DG Rod pins at \$5 or 5 for \$20, and that a directory addendum is available.

CST George then officially announced his candidacy for the position of Vice District Governor for 2009-2010.

DG Rod then conducted the 50/50 draw. Proceeds of which to benefit the Ruet family. PDG Fred Cook was the winner of \$132.50 and graciously donated his winnings to the family. DG Rod presented the total 50/50 of \$265.00 to Lion Wayne Snider for Joe and Sharon Ruet.

DG Rod then went over the Dates to Remember:

Portage Christmas Party 7 Dec. 08 11:00 a.m. Sussex Lions Club

Third Cabinet Meeting 1 Feb. 09 11:00 a.m. Winsloe Lions Club

District N-1 Convention 17-19 Apr. 09 Saint John, NB

MD-N Convention 15-17 May 09 Truro, NS

The meeting then adjourned at 1:580 p.m. on a motion from PCC Rheel.

Respectfully submitted by,

CST George Mitton