

District 17A Cabinet Meeting

January 27, 2024

The third District 17A Cabinet meeting of the Lions year 2023-2024 was called to order at 10:00 am by Acting District Governor Margy Sundstrom on Saturday, January 17, 2024, at Rodeo restaurant in Basehor, Kansas.

Lion Les Moore from Lenexa introduced his wife, Margaret and daughter, Jennifer who is visiting from Indiana.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Lion Mike Sundstrom. The invocation was given by PID Gene Vogel.

Lion Kim Baker took the roll call. Voting members answered with their New Year's resolutions. A quorum was established.

Adoption of Rules of Procedure: Past Council Chair Bobby Duvall read the Rules of Procedure. There were no changes.

Adoption of Agenda: There were no changes. Lion Ron Weaverling made a motion to approve the agenda. PID Deb Weaverling seconded. Motion carried.

Introduction of International Family: PID Gene Vogel needs help this afternoon with a project in Topeka. PID Bill Phillipi thanked everyone for attending. PID Deb Weaverling thanked everyone for all you do for your community. She introduced Lion Alyssa from Leavenworth.

Acting DG Margy Sundstrom passed out anniversary chevrons to several members.

2nd VDG Irene Haws thanked everyone for being here and encouraged people to join Lions to be part of this great group.

Minutes: ADG Margy Sundstrom stated that everyone should have received copies of the minutes. They were accepted as presented.

Treasurer: Lion Ron Nichols presented his report. The report was accepted as presented.

Global Action Team Reports

Global Leadership Team: PID Deb Weaverling stated that Lion Ron and she presented a training session for Presidents in November. They will be offering additional training such as Secretary/Treasurer and Membership later this year. On February 29, LCI will be offering Guiding Lions training via Zoom. For additional information, contact PID Deb.

Global Membership Team: Lion Eric Strimple noted that we are at minus 30 in membership for the district. Please consider having a spring membership event. He congratulated the Belleville Club for having the most new members so far this year. Written Report

Global Extension Team: Lion Eric Tweedy is working on establishing a new club in Perry. In addition, a specialty club in Douglas/Shawnee counties is a possibility.

Global Service Team: PCC Diane Hentges noted that 68,610 people have been served by 404 volunteer service projects. There have been 724 volunteer hours given by Lions. Unfortunately, only 45% of clubs are reporting on their service projects.

Constitution and By-Laws: PDG Neal Nichols presented "A Proposed Resolution to Transit and Amended and Restated Constitution and By-Laws to the 2024 District 17A Convention for Ratification." 2nd VDG Irene Haws made a motion to approve the resolution. Lion Bart Hettenback seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Zone Chair Reports

ZC 1 Lion Ron Stair-No Report

ZC 2 Lion Laurie Mefford-No Report

ZC 3-Lion Cheryl Kerns-No Report

ZC 4-Lion Roger Yost-Written Report

ZC 5-Lion Erik Bailey gave an update about an upcoming Health Fair at Olathe-Written Report

ZC 6-Lion David Schafer-No Report

ZC 7-Lion Bart Hettenback stated that the Abilene and Salomon clubs are going to merge. He gave updates from several clubs. Written Report

ZC 8-Lion James Hopwood-Written Report

ZC 9-Lion Camey Thurner-No Report

ZC 10-Lion Sharon Teagarden-King-Written Report

Committee Chair Reports

Kansas Lions Sight Foundation: PID Gene stated that he still has eclipse glasses. Please, contact him if interested.

Kansas Lions Foundation: PCC Diane mentioned that the foundation is working on new goals and brochure.

Kansas Lions Band Foundation: PCC Bobby stated that the deadline for students to apply is May 8th. The foundation is working on starting a virtual club for alumni members.

Alert Trailer: Lion Doyle Jones-No Report

Environmental: Lion Ron Weaverling gave the report. The state photo contest was held at Mid-Winter Rally. There were no entries from 17A. Chairperson Lion Joe Porter has suggested changing from a photo contest to an environmental project. After completing their project, clubs

would submit a summary. The money from the photo contest would be given to the club with the “best” project. Lion Ron Weaverling made a motion with the above suggestions. Lion Eric Tweedy seconded. Motion passed. There will be more information in the upcoming newsletter.

Health Programs: Lion Vern Failor-See written report.

KSDS: Lion Deb Tegethoff-No Report

LCIF: PID Deb and PDG Rick Dodson discussed what LCIF is and what it does. PID Deb is asking clubs to educate members about LCIF and to make a contribution. PDG Rick explained that donations accumulate until you have \$1,000 for a Melvin Jones Fellow. Currently there are enough funds for 36 MJF to be given to Lions. He would like these to be presented at the District Convention.

New Voices: Lion Joey Huggins-No Report

Public Relations: Lion Eric Tweedy informed everyone that the district has a Facebook page. Please use and like.

Peace Poster: Lion Kim Baker announced the winners: 1st place-Elsee Martin sponsored by the Waterville Lions Club. 2nd place-Millee Stollenberg sponsored by Tonganoxie. 3rd place -Hayley McLaughlin sponsored by Lansing.

Quest: Lion Careen Rajala stated that they are revising the program and training will be April 3 and 4.

Reading Action: Lion Neal Nichols reminded everyone about using the program. Contact PCC Beverly for more information.

LEO: Lion Cheryl Kerns-No Report

Long Range Planning: PCC Beverly Nichols-No Report

Youth Exchange: Lion Margaret Howards. All donations will be sent to Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Nomination: Lion Leroy Johnson announced the following nominations. For District Governor: Acting DG Margy. For 1st District Governor: 2nd VDG Irene. For 2nd District Governor: Lion Roger Yost, Lion Mike Mitchell, and Lion Bart Hettenback. All spoke briefly. There are still openings for the Kansas Lions Band Foundation.

District Administrator: PDG Rick is working with clubs that have not been reporting in MyLion or MyLCI. Written Report

District Convention: Lion Eric Strimple informed everyone that the convention will be held on April 12-13 at the Olathe Community Center. Friday will include pizza and games. Registration

forms were available at the meeting. 2nd VDG Irene talked about the raffle for a Branson vacation package. The winner will be announced at the convention.

Unfinished Business None

New Business None

Announcements:

PID Gene Vogel talked about the state convention which is scheduled for May 31-June 2 in Lawrence and USA/Canda forum which will take place in Louisville, Kentucky.

Lion Butch Smith from Basehor asked questions about the eclipse glasses.

Lion Ron Weaverling informed the group that the Leavenworth Lions are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald Houses. See him or PCC Bobby Duvall for questions.

Lion Vern Failor announced the 70th anniversary of the Topeka Sunflower Club on February 3.

The raffle winners were PID Deb Weaverling, PDG Rick Dodson, and Lion Eric Bailey.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Baker
Acting District Secretary