

Lions District 2-S2 4th Cabinet Meeting 2017/2018
Cy Fair Lions' Den
June 9, 2018

Please note: If human Hands touch it, mistakes will be made. Apologies in advance.

Those in were:

1st Vice District Governor-Lion Karl Johnson

2nd Vice District Governor Lion Tony Austin

IPDG Mark Roth

Lion Wayne Bergeron

Lion James "Bud" Casey

Lion Ladoris Cates

Lion Judy Champion

Lion Minette Chiu

Lion Sarah Coots

Lion Bonita Davis

Lion Steadman Douglas

PDG Art Drouin

Lion Lisa Free-Martin

Lion Ken Harrison

Lion Lynn Harrison

Lion Jane Johnson

Lion Neil Lander

Lion Donald Landers

PDG Ronald Landers

Lion Terry Landers

Lion Barbara LeBoff

PDG Charles "Chuck" Martin

Lion Paul Moore

PDG Chris Moorman

Lion Eme Nisnisan

Lion Mazher Poonawala

PDG Eddie Risha

Lion Nancy Rodes

Lion John "Tank" Tankersley

Lion Sam Thomas

Lion Paul Yackley

Please note all written reports are available with these minutes and should be consider part of such.

The meeting was called to order by Cy Fair President Elect. Mazher Poonawala at 9 am.

A prayer was offered by 2 VDG Elect Bonita Davis ad pledges to the American and Texas flag were led by IPDG Mark Roth.

Lion Ladoris Cates led the group singing "Smile and "God Bless America."

The chair was turned over to 1st VDG Elect Tony Austin who in the absence of DG Betty Ezell introduced DG Elect Karl Johnson to chair the meeting. DG Elect Karl shared with the group that he had spoken DG Betty and she wants all Lions to know how proud she was to serve us . He asked they all close their eye=s and envision DG Betty as he said , she said, "I love you".

DG E Karl recognized IPG Mark to make some presentations. These included a brick at the Lighthouse of Houston as our final appreciation gift to DG Betty. and Eyebank Angel to Carolyn Ezell for all her assistance this year. He, also, presented the 100% awards to those Cabinet members earning them. Additionally, he remained the group that this year was not quite ended and we should all work to finish strong.

DG E Karl announced the DG Betty is at Herman Memorial Memorial City which is lose to our location and suggested that after the meeting , Lions might want to stop by for a very short visit.

It was established that a quorum was present.

PDG Chris Moorman moved that the minutes from the previous Cabinet Meeting be approved as presented on the website. PDG Chuck seconded the motion, Motion passed.

In the absence of Treasurer Lion Steve Hand, PDG Chuck gave the financial report. He went over the highlights of the financial reports as presented in the website and asked for any questions concerning our financial state.

DGE Karl gave an updated on the Harvey relief funds.

Lion Ladoris expressed concern with Lions International desire that relief money be spent on large, public recognitions projects when so many individuals are still in dire straits. DGE Karl explained that although we have given out many individual grants and continue with the reconstruction grants, the number of people we are able to help in that manner is simply like a drop in a bucket. Monies are being spent where the greater good can be served such as Churches, shelters and Children's homes where large numbers are served.

DGE Karl announced he has been visiting clubs and installing new officers. He will be visiting struggling libs to help them. He will be asking for a by-laws change so that these meetings and others like them can be streaming online and attendance can be made online. He will be holding an online meeting with his immediate next week. He announced that PDG Mark will be working on retention next year. He suggested that Club Presidents ask Lions for the story of the moment they first FELT like a Lion.. their "ah ha moment" so to speak. Then those stories should be shared at meetings to remind Lions why we are here and why we serve.

1st VDG Tony shared that one of his missions is going to improve communication. This will require changes but we need to be able to reach more Lions more effective. Some tools will include use of Facebook, live steaming meeting, use of an electronic directory that can be updated monthly. Moderation that is already taking place in that state convention booklet was in electronic form.

PDG Art pointed out that we have a problem getting officers trained. That may be improved with online situations. It was suggested that Club Presidents be encouraged to take 5 minutes per meeting to share website information with all Lions.

DGE Karl shared that the LCI convention will be online. There will be training at PSC meeting. In August IPDG Mark will have secretary training and in September, retention and membership will be addressed. He made it clear that he will be reaching out to all clubs officers by way of email to snail mail.. whatever it takes.

Team Contact – District Governor Betty Ezell (DGE Karl subbing)

Region One Chair – Lion Syd Waldman-absent

Zone L-1 - Lion Elizabeth “Liz” Mason-absent

Zone L-2 - Lion Diane Au-Thornton-absent

Zone L-3 – Lion Minette Chiu-written report

Zone L-4- Lion John “Tank” Tankersley

Region Two Chair – PDG Chuck Martin announced Monthly Membership reports are up to date.

Zone I-1 – Lion Paul Yackley – written report (read by PDG Chuck)

Zone I-2 Lion Donald Landers- written report

Zone I-3 – Lion Thomas Capers-absent

Zone I-4 – Lion Jeffrey Bules-absent

Region Three Chair – Lion Winnie Mae Eads-absent

Zone O-1 – Lion Paul Moore- written

Zone O-2 – Lion Polo La Coste, Sr.-absent

Zone O-3 – vacant

Region Four Chair – Lion Dr. James Gracey

Zone N-1 – Lion Bonita Davis-

Liberty Lions gave \$2600 in scholarships

Zone N-2 – Lion Neil Lander- written

Zone N-3 – Lion Dwayne Litteer-absent

Zone N-4 – Lion Nancy Roades-absent

Texas Lions Camp- Lion Emee Nisnisan and Lion Lisa Free-Martin

Lion Emee thanked all for the support this year. Tomorrow (June 10th) starts the first camping session of the year. She encouraged all to visit the camp. , Material on the camp can be found on the registration table as can information on the Wickersham golf tournament. She encouraged all to join the Century Club. She announced that V IP weekend is June 22nd, the board meeting is in August. Help is need for the bus transportation of campers The Bob Dowdin Dinner will be held on October 22nd at the Lone Star Convention in Conroe.

Director for Camp Museum-PDG Eddie Risha

Lions Eye Bank -Lion Elizabeth Garza, absent

Lion Syd Waldman-absent

Lighthouse of Houston -2nd VDG Tony Austin- no report

Lion Marla Reynolds- absent

Honorary- IPDG Mark Roth – as his last report. IPDG Mark wants to know what can PDGs do for the District., what can they do for your club. He reminded all to make nominations for the PDG Distinguished Award.

ALERT-Lion Wayne Bergeron had prepared packets. They are free and your club an include information about Lions and your club in them. Alert id helping FEMA and there is a 5 year disaster prepared plan..

Information Technology & Webmaster- Lion Terry Landers says the last 16 years have been fun. Now, it is someone else's turn.

Constitution /Bylaws & Parliamentary -PDG Ronald Landers, written report

Convention and Mid Winter Conference Chair- PDG Rick Reynolds- absent

Co-Chair-2nd VDG Tony Austin, no report

District Directory-PDG Ronald Landers, written report

Hall of Fame Committee – District-PDG Dr. Tony Braddick, absent

Lions Clubs International Foundation- PDG Eddie Risha, no report

Lion Tamers- Landers Family-There was discussion on what should be done with the gongs that are engraved and not reusable. It was decided to put them in the silent auction at the Bob Dowdin Dinner before selling them for scrape.

District Newsletter-Lion Terry Landers- already give

Opportunities for Youth -Lion Minette Chiu announced that our District contestant from Conroe Noon won 2nd Place in Outstanding Youth at State. Many clubs in the district not interested in participating

President & Secretary Council- Lion Elizabeth “Liza” Garza, absent

Lion Jerome Teichmiller- absent It was announced that Lion Paul Moore will be President next year and he is looking forward to it.

Public Relations & Lions Information-Lion Donald Landers- no activity

Tail Twisters-Lion Sam Thomas announced that there will be no fines today; however he passed the hat to collect “we miss and love DG Betty” money. \$90 was collected and given to her sister, Carolyn, to buy her something to cheer her up in the hospital

Texas Lions Foundation -PDG Ronald Landers, written report. He assured all that after all these years, he is not going away, JUST DOWNSIZING

Team Contact – 1st Vice District Governor Karl Johnson

Humanitarian Relief Fund- Lion Donald Landers- one request from Humble Noon was granted this quarter

Lion Bud Casey reported on how grateful his club was for the HRF request they had this year.

Lion Stedman Douglas

Hearing & Speech & Work with the Deaf -Lion Terry Peterson, absent

Leader Dogs for the Blind—Lion Larry Smith- absent

District Co- Leo Clubs- PDG Albert Baker, absent as Leos were meeting

LCI Centennial Celebration- this project finished

MD-2 Liaison- PDG Art Drouin

District Co-Chair -PDG Eddie Risha and PDG Chris Moorman

GLT District Chairman -PDG Chris Moorman shared that there were several officer training sessions this year. He thanked the training that helped and expressed dismay at the low attendance to most. Written report

GMT District Chairman -IPDG Mark Roth remind all that until the end of the month, LCI is waiving \$35 entrance fee for new members. Net year there will be a great deal of effort on retention. Extension is the key to growth. He is planning an extension workshop. These require some effort for about three days. No one has to work all three days, just come put in a few hours when you can. Two areas targeted for new clubs are Channelview and Midtown. PDG Chuck pointed out that we need more Guiding Lion Training. PDG Art reminded all that he is an LCI consultant and with LCI approval help with the extension work and forming a new club.

GST District Chairman -PDG Rick Reynolds- absent

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum and Lions International Convention- PDG Art reminded all the LCI Convention will be in Vegas where the first woman international President will be installed. The USA/Canada Forum will be September 20-22. In

Columbus. You can attend the Lions University – PDG Chris Moorman has earned his PHD. Several other Lions have earned their Bachelor’s degree. Lion Ladoris advised that this a forum to really learn about Lionism.

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Team Contact – 2nd Vice District Tony Austin

Lions Quest-Lion David Hite- absent

Peace Poster Contest- Lion Barbara LeBoff- no report

Lions Services for Children-Lions Lynn and Ken Harrison- no report

Camper Transportation-Lion Melissa Bjorgaard, absent

Dictionary Project-PDG Paul Eads--absent

Cultural & Community Activities-Lion Loretta Darden- absent

Diabetic Awareness-Lions Nelson Ventura-absent

Eyeglass Collection- Lion Tim Cox-absent

Sight Conservation & Work with the Blind-Lion Dr. Ralph Herring-absent

Vision Screening-Lion Paul Moore is setting up further training session in the north and in the south.

District Chaplain-Lion Liesa Hackett-absent

District Song Leader-Lion Ladoris Cates- no sours. She displayed knives from the amp that are for sale.

Resolutions- none

Old Business-

PDG Chuuk announced that we have 2 clubs far in arrears. NASA Centennial I past sue on their first half dues and Houston Hobby is past due on second half dues. DGE Karl will reach out to them. SHSU is dissolving and we should attempt to get paperwork finished by June 30th. PDG Chris made recommendation that a method for status quo and dropping clubs be added to our bylaws. If was suggested that if this was put into an operating manual, it could be voted on at a Cabinet meeting. Changes to Constitution and BY[Laws must be made by convention vote..

New Business

For multiple reasons, DG E Karl wants to get a 501 C(3) for our District for fund raising and projects. PDG Chuck moved that we look into and attempt to secure a 501C(3) for our District. This was seconded by PDG Art. After discussion, motion passed.

DGE Karl announced that some committee chairs would be changing net year. It is time to teach more Lions about those things we do. It is time to spread the knowledge and the responsibility.

Meeting adjourned at 11:12As a sort of PS, it was announced the first Cabinet Meeting of the new year would be in this same location on July14th.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Judy Champion