

**Wisconsin Lions – Multiple District 27-C2**  
**District Cabinet Minutes**  
**February 5, 2023 1:00 pm - 3:42 pm**

1. Call to order by DG Bob Bertch
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by DG Bob Bertch
3. Prayer led by PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt
4. Song led by Lion Judeen Knott
5. Roll Call/Sign Attendance see attached
6. Approve Minutes of October 2022 minutes: A motion by IPDG Judy Hatz and seconded by PDG Dennis Knott to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Report presented by Lion Scott Martin: There was a question on the hunger fund balance which will be adjusted before the end of the Lion year. A motion by Lion Holly Larkin and seconded by PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt to approve the report as presented for audit. Motion carried.
8. Old Business
  - a. C2 Convention updates: DG Bob presented the convention packet which has been sent by email and will be sent via postal mail this week. It was reviewed out of respect for the host club, other clubs will not be allowed to sell their own club raffle districts at the convention.
  - b. Lac Du Flambeau potential club update: DG Bob provided an update on the meetings in the area. The cabinet agreed we should continue to reach out to this community to form a club and different ideas were shared by the cabinet.
  - c. Potential Merrill Leo Club update: Update was provided by IPDG Judy Hatz. They currently are meeting the 2nd Monday of every month to organize.
9. New Business
  - a. RLLI District Compensation (Regional Lions Learning Institute) DG Bob, IPDG Judy Hatz, 1st VDG Don Meeder and Lion Anne Madison attended this training and provided their experience. A motion was made by Lion Laura

Bertch and seconded by PDG Roger Weber to provide each attendee a stipend of \$50 to cover some of their costs. Discussion ensued and at this time PDG Roger Weber rescinded his second to the original motion. Lion Laura Bertch amended her original motion to pay each attendee a \$50 stipend out of the district budget GLT account and a second by PDG Roger Weber. Motion carried. Also noted as a result of this training Lion Anne Madison is interested in running for the 3rd VDG position this coming year.

b. Success Stories GMA: DG Bob and IPDG Judy Hatz reminded clubs to submit any success stories they have to them which led to new members in their club.

c. GMA Zoom meeting 3/5/23 for Zone Chairs: IPDG Judy Hatz reviewed the training goals for global membership and how to develop a 5 year plan for our district. She noted zone chairs can share this with zone Lions members and they can attend.

d. Leo Forum in Rockford II 08/02/23: Update provided by PDG Judy Hatz

e. Lions Paper Vote at State: DG Bob received the costs for the paper will go up at least 30% in costs for next year based on estimates, the cost of papers sent out and those returned due to address is no longer valid or no forwarding address. A vote will held at the state convention whether to discontinue the print copy of the paper.

f. CAD LDI Training Assistance: PDG Judy Hatz and Lion Anne Madison have submitted applications to attend this training. They will find out in April and the cabinet will address funding assistance at that time if they are accepted to attend the training.

g. State Convention date changes for 23-24: Lions International has discussed the change from 45 to 61 days of when a state convention must have between state and international convention. If this does happen we may need to move up our date for our convention to earlier in April.

h. District payment to state (invoice to be presented): This was completed by DG Bob

i. Membership Drive Challenge: DG Bob has presented a challenge to clubs to increase their membership by two new members. This would add at least 80 plus new members in our district.

j. Candidates representing district positions, (DG, VDG, Eye Bank)

paperwork to be submitted 45 days before our convention: A reminder by DG Bob all positions must submit the appropriate forms found in our district policy manual in writing and email to the election committee: Lion Dennis Christianson (email:dcandpc76@gmail.com) and PDG Greg Krug (gkrug@kruglawoffice.com). Lion Patty was asked to resend the current policy manual to the cabinet.

k. District Award Discussions: DG Bob asked cabinet members to provide any names for Birch Sturm, Melvin Jones, Knight of Sight and other district awards to him. 1st VDG Don Meeder provided a suggestion for consideration for Knight of Sight.

l. Reporting Past and Current activities on MyLion: DG Bob emphasized the importance of recording in MyLion. Lion Patty Krug can assist with providing directions of how to accomplish this with clubs.

m. Community Impact Grant, Boulder Junction Playground: It was noted we do not have enough funds donated as district to LCIF to apply for this grant.

10. Committee Reports (Please send in report if available for review/or please limit your presentation to 5 minutes. If more time is needed, DG Bob Bertch will decide at that time.)

***District Governor:** DG Bob presented an award to PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt, the Presidential Certified Guiding Lion. It was also noted she was provided a Melvin Jones from one of the clubs she assisted as their Guiding Lion. DG Bob also discussed the Hazelhurst Club and their request for assistance to increase membership.*

*1<sup>st</sup> VDG Don Meeder* reviewed his training he has completed and will be attending this week in St. Charles, Illinois continued incoming DG training.

*IPDG Judy Hatz* presented 2nd VDG Kerrie Molter the Club Excellence Award for the Mellen Club and also Glidden Lions Club will receive this award. She noted the District received the Club Excellence Award. She provided additional awards to the following individuals for assisting her with this: PDG Dennis Knott, Lion Judeen and Kate Knott, PDG Greg Krug, Lion Patty Krug and DG Bob Bertch.

***Hearing:** Lion Scott Martin* reminded clubs to refer individuals to apply for this funding. It is noted it is for one hearing aide but individuals can request two if needed.

**LCIF:** See attached report from PDG Dennis Knott

**Peace Poster:** Lion Judeen Knott reported the kit is out and the theme is: "Dare to Dream" and reminds club that any youth group 11-13 can participate that has a supervisor.

**Wisconsin Lions Foundation:** see attached report from Lion Patty Krug and PDG Roger Weber. Please contact either of them to present at your zone or club meeting.

**Diabetes and Cancer:** PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt noted the report from Lion Patty Krug with diabetes. She has a presentation she has used for the cancer initiative and is available to speak at a zone or club meeting. Lion Mel Schnoor asked about the diabetes patch if available. Lion Patty Krug did check with WLF and these were stopped after 2018-2019 due to only 5 clubs were submitting.

**New Voices:** Lion Rhae Ellen will learn more about this initiative at our district convention and will report at our next meeting.

**Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin:** PDG Greg Krug reported donations are increasing to near preCovid numbers. 722 corneal transplants were provided in state, 150 corneal tissues were sent for transplants in the United States and 735 international. He reported on the Charity Care fund and currently working with a mission group to provide cataract surgeries in Haiti. They are working on the memorial garden and the annual meeting this year will be held in the Wausau area.

**Zone Chair:** Lion Bill Breneman reported on their zone activities with all 5 clubs organizing and participating in the Taylor County Maplefest the last weekend in April. He is meeting with all clubs.

**Leader Dog and Zone Chair:** Lion Anne Madison presented these two reports, see attached reports. She did have all clubs report in MyLion their activities.

**PDG Roger Weber:** See attached report for WLF, IT, transporter and GLT.

**Wisconsin Lions Mission:** PDG Mike Lorbetske reported on the need for more funding as the district currently has a deficit in our district account. He is planning a mission trip in September. Lion Scott Martin noted a cost to the district for a mission trip is between \$2500-\$3000.

**Restoring Hope:** Lion Mary Johanik she will have info at the district convention.

***Food for Kidz:*** see attached report. Lion Laura Bertch reported the date for this year will be October 21st. They will be in need of volunteers.

***Environmental:*** see attached report from Lion Nancy Szott

***Vision:*** See attached report and the upcoming training to certify at the district convention.

11. Raffle

12. Adjournment: A motion was made by IPDG Judy Hatz and seconded by Lion Laura Bertch to adjourn at 3:42 PM. Motion carried

Future District Meeting Dates with sites:

April 14, 2023 District convention