

**Wisconsin Lions – Multiple District 27-C2  
Draft District Cabinet Minutes  
February 4, 2024 11:00 am - 2:34 pm**

**Lac Du Flambeau Casino and Convention Hall  
510 Old Abe Rd, Lac Du Flambeau, WI 54538**

1. Call to order by DG Don Meeder
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by DG Don Meeder
3. Prayer led by PCC Sam Kochel
4. Song led by Lion Judeen Knott
5. Roll Call/Sign Attendance: see attached
6. Approve Minutes of October 2023 minutes: Motion by IPDG Bob Bertch and seconded by Lion Steve Chandler to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
7. Treasurer's Report: See attached report. Lion Scott Martin presented the report and answered questions. A motion by PDG Judy Hatz and seconded by Lion Hollie Larkin to approve the report and forward for audit. Motion carried.
8. Old Business
  - a. District Convention Update: A report and handouts was presented by 2nd VDG Anne Madison and PDG Greg Krug. During discussion the following motions took place.

A motion was made by Lion Dennis Hirtz and seconded by PDG Roger Weber to approve the meal prices as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lion Dennis Hirtz and seconded by Lion Laura Bertch to not charge the Leo's for registration at the district convention. There was discussion on the topic. The motion failed due to a majority voting nay.
  1. Discussion to Update District Convention Policies-Take Action: DG Don asked PDG Ron Brehm to revise the district convention policy to address meals and registration and bring to the cabinet at a future meeting for discussion.

2. Service of Remembrance: see attached form for required registration.
  3. Designation of funds from Convention Tail Twister collection A motion was made by PDG Roger Weber and seconded by PDG Greg Krug should be designated for Wisconsin Lions Foundation. Motion carried.
  4. Elections: PDG Greg Krug asked for assistance with elections this year. He reminded candidates for DGE, 1st-3rd VDG, Wisconsin Lions Foundation and host club for next year must have their form into the DG Don Meeder and PDG Greg Krug 45 days before the convention to be on the ballot. Any forms or nominations received after this time will have to be write in candidates.
  5. Future Host Clubs for convention: We do need a host club for next year and the following year for conventions. DG Don Meeder will send a note out to our membership to consider being a host for one of the conventions for the next two years and to submit their request 45 days before convention to to be included on the ballot for the district convention this year.
- b. Meet and Greet event Updates: PCC Sam Kochel discussed and see attached hand out. DG Don Meeder encouraged all clubs to hold a Meet and Greet event before June of this year and he would like to be invited. He would also like to see all clubs develop a brochure about their club and upcoming events.
  - c. LCI new portal update: Lion Patty Krug discussed there is a delay again. She discussed the importance of looking at the email of the sender rather than just a name to assure you are not clicking on documents that are being sent by scammers.
9. New Business
    - a. Council of Governor's report: See attached DG Don report. DG Don reported the council has purchased a brick at the Helen Keller Memorial and request has been made to have all districts do the same. A motion was made by PCC Sam Kochel and Lion Hollie Larkin to purchase a brick for \$100 for the Helen Keller Memorial. Motion carried.
    - b. Promotion of Clubs and Activities: Newspaper and Social Media: Discussion presented by PDG Roger Weber. DG Don Meeder noted he has received mixed reviews on the articles in the paper and on social media. A document was handed out noting clubs with websites and facebook pages and

the need to update these sites if you are not currently doing this.

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 Don Meeder will decide at that time.)

**DG Don Meeder** reported on the statewide Environmental project. He presented to IPDG Bob Bertch an award for inducting 15 new members last year to Lions. He also presented IPDG Bob Bertch the District Excellence Award. It was also noted 7 clubs in our district will receive a club excellence award which includes, Boulder Junction, Gleason, Medford, Mellen, Mercer, Sayner Star Lake and Whittlesey Lions.

**1<sup>st</sup> VDG Kerrie Molter** noted she is putting together her cabinet at this time. If you are interested in a cabinet position, please contact her.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Anne Madison** continues to work on training, providing training to our zone chairs and the district convention.

**IPDG Bob Bertch** reported he is working with the Lakeland area schools to develop a Lakeland Area Leo's club with a Lion mentor for each school. If you are interested in being a mentor, please contact him. He also is our district representative for Lions Pride, see attached report.

**Zone Chairs:** see attached reports

**Past District Governors Organization:** There is a request from the organization for any PDG is interested in being a mentor to contact the organization.

**Pins and Missions:** PDG Mike Lorbetske has the new C2 pins available for sale and Wisconsin Missions is leaving for the Dominican Republic later this month.

**Vision:** Lion Dan Tekippe reviewed his attached report and encouraged Lions to attend the Vision Certification at our District Convention. Lion Dennis Hirtz adult vision coordinator noted there is no adult certification classes for vision screening.

**Restoring Hope:** Lion Mary Johanik noted no news at this time and continues to monitor the webpage for any news.

**Hearing:** Lion Scott Martin notes there are funds to assist with hearing aide purchase. The standard to qualify has been raised to 200% for full pay and 240% for self pay of the poverty level to hopefully have more individuals qualify for this benefit.

**LCI:** PDG Dennis Knott provided an update and noting donations continue to be accepted and encouraged clubs to donate.

**GST:** See attached PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt report

**Voices:** Lion Rhae Ellen reported the event Blind Skiers project which is held worldwide was held in Rhinelander this past week. The Rhinelander Lions donated time to this event and donated \$3000 for transportation expenses for the event.

**WLF:** Lion Patty Krug reported and see attached report.

**Food for Kidz:** Lion Laura Bertch presented, see attached report. She noted the event dates for 2024. A \$100 was donated by a Whittlesey Lion towards the administrative costs for the Hunger account.

**Childhood Cancer:** Lion Steve Chandler presented, see attached report and encouraged all clubs to donate \$100 towards this account.

**Lions Eye Bank:** PDG Judy Hatz presented her report. See attached.

**PDG Roger Weber:** Numerous committees. See Attached

11. Adjournment: A motion was made by Lion Dennis Hirtz and seconded by PDG Judy Hatz to adjourn the meeting at 2:34 pm.

Next Meeting Date:  
April 12th, 2024: District Convention