

**Wisconsin Lions – Multiple District 27-C2**  
**Draft District Cabinet Minutes**  
**March 2, 2025, 11:00 am - 2:08 pm**

**The American Legion**  
**274 N. 3rd. Ave**  
**Park Falls, WI 54552**

1. Call to order by Acting DG Anne Madison
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Acting DG Anne Madison
3. Prayer led by Acting DG Anne Madison
4. Song-waived
5. Roll Call/Sign Attendance-See Attached
6. Approve Minutes of January 2025 minutes. Motion made by PDG Bob Bertch and seconded by PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt
7. Treasurer's Report provided by 2nd VDG Scott Martin. A motion was made by PDG Roger Weber and seconded by Lion Jeff Koth to approve the treasurer's report and to submit for audit. Motion carried. PDG Roger stated, and the cabinet agreed to thank 2nd VDG Scott Martin for his years of service as District Treasurer.
8. Old Business
  - a. District Convention Report: Update provided by PDG Greg Krug
  - b. Elections at District Convention: Update provided by PDG Greg Krug
  - c. District Reimbursement for Lions who attended the February Summit/Guiding Lions: A motion was made by PDG Greg Krug and seconded by PDG Judy Hatz to provide Acting DG Anne-\$50 and Lion Jeff Koth and Lion Amy-\$25.00 reimbursement for their costs. Motion carried.
9. New Business
  - a. Google Group email/weekly newsletter update was provided by Lion Patty Krug
10. Upcoming meetings:

- a. April 11<sup>th</sup> - District Cabinet Meeting 4:00 pm, 2nd Floor Hotel
- b. May 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> - State Convention: Date, time and room location to be announced later

## 11. Committee Reports:

**Peace Poster:** Acting DG Anne Madison said the packets for next year are already available for purchase. She did purchase one packet if anyone would like to view it. PDG Shirley Lemke will be contacted to inform us if the winner will be present at the District Convention to receive their award.

**Environment:** PDG Don Meeder discussed the recycling plans for the blue tarp placed on boats in their area.

**GLT:** PDG Judy Hatz discussed the Guiding Lion and Officer training to be held in the future.

**GMT:** PDG Bob Bertch referred to his weekly newsletter article and also the attached article: Why Am I A Lion. He also brought up the fundraiser in their area that had closed with 5 days' notice this past year and the current effort to raise funds to assist with funding to start a new day care in their area. He was wondering if the district would contribute some funds to this project. Discussion ensued related to the administrative account funds. A committee will be formed to discuss the use of the administrative account funds to bring back to the cabinet at a future meeting.

**Long Range Planning:** It was noted this committee should review the administrative funds and how to disburse in the future. Acting DG Anne noted C2 need to appoint someone to the state committee. A motion was made by PDG Greg Krug and seconded by PDG Bob Bertch to appoint 2nd VDG Scott Martin. Motion carried.

**LCIF:** PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt noted we are at almost 50% of the funds the district has been encouraged to donate this year. She informed the committee of the new blue rubber wrist bands and levels of donation for LCIF and the state event to raise funds. She passed out to those present a list of their Melvin Jones and how much money they have in their accounts, acknowledging potential to award a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

**Hunger:** Lion Laura Bertch noted the date for the Food for Kidz project this year is **October 11th, 2025** (the date has been changed due to a conflict with an event at the school).

**Marketing:** PDG Roger provided a report and would like to highlight the District Cabinet in the future.

**Zone Committee Reports:**

Lion Jeff Koth: His zone is having a meeting this Thursday, March 6th.

Lion Dennis Christianson: The zone is working on their zone event: Maplefest. They meet monthly and update each other and cover other Lion issues during this time and can be considered a zone meeting.

Lion Barb Rebak: She is meeting with clubs individually due to distance for clubs to travel. She reported on the blanket project they are doing for the cancer center in Ashland. PDG Mary Ann thanked them for the blanket she received, and it was greatly appreciated. Lion Barb also shared with the cabinet the name card holders made by their local shop class for seminars.

**Mission and Pins:** PDG Mike Lorbetske asked the district to send in to Wisconsin Missions, the \$600 required donation. He noted he has been ordering pins for several years. The intent is the District pins would be sold and the funds would be paid back to the district for the purchase. He noted this has not been consistently happening in the past. Acting DG Anne asked PDG Mike to contact her to discuss this issue and should be addressed at a future meeting. It was noted the District Convention pins are paid for by the host committee and monies earned are theirs to keep. PDG Don Meeder noted a Wisconsin Missions trips for eyeglasses is leaving this next week to the Dominican Republic with three of the Three Lakes Lions participating in this event.

**Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin:** PDG Judy Hatz reported the Journey of Life garden will begin to be built this spring. She noted our district still needs to donate funds for a Knight of Sight for the district governor. The eye bank is still in need of recovery technicians. See the attached report sent.

**Hearing:** 2nd VDG Scott Martin reminded Lions they can access the hearing aid fund. He has had only 1 application this year and in the past at least 10 per year. A motion was made by 2nd VDG Scott Martin and seconded by PDG Bob Bertch to send \$2830 to WLF hearing fund. Motion carried.

**WLF:** See attached report. Patty Krug also reported on the planned eyeglass mission, May 17th in the Abbotsford area, 9-2 and they are looking for Lions to assist in this project. Please contact her or PDG Judy Hatz if interested in helping.

**Lions Portal:** Lion Patty Krug reported on the new training video's on the portal. If you plan to go to the International Convention, you can have your club designate the delegate(s) who can vote at the convention. The Portal does designate how

many votes your club has for voting when you assign the delegates.

**Acting DG Anne Madison:** She reported on the request for our district to host the 2028 State Convention. She provided the cabinet information discussed at the Council of Governor's meeting the past two days. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt and seconded by Lion Laura Bertch to form a committee to review the feasibility of hosting the convention and to bring their findings to the District Cabinet for further discussion. Vote-Nay-1 the rest present with a Yes vote. Motion carried. Acting DG Anne asked the cabinet if you have any comments about the potential to host the convention for the committee to consider, please email her with these comments.

She reported on the planned Emerging Leaders Institute, May 16-18th. She handed out the Guiding Lions certificates to those who attended.

11. Raffle: Lion Jeff Koth completed the raffle

12. Adjournment: A motion was made by PDG Mary Ann Gretenhardt and seconded by Lion Laura Bertch to adjourn the meeting at 2:08 pm. Motion carried.

Future District Tentative Meeting Dates with sites:

**April 11, 2025** - C2 Convention, Lac du Flambeau, Lake of the Torches Casino & Resort. Specifics to be determined.

**May 1-3, 2025** - State Convention La Crosse, Wisconsin