



District 5M13 - Cabinet

Meeting Minutes

Saturday, August 22nd, 2020

Originally scheduled for in person at following:

Portage la Prairie Lions Den,

290 Royal Road South, Portage la Prairie, MB.

Regular Meeting 9:00AM

***Due to Circumstances surrounding COVID-19,
Venue changed to an online ZOOM Meeting.***

1.0 Called to Order at 9:13am – DG Lion Anita Hart

2.0 National Anthem – O Canada

3.0 Pledge to the Canadian Flag

4.0 Welcome and Introductions – Attendance:

DG Lion Anita Hart

PID Lion Ben Ward

IPDG Lion Dwayne Moncur

PDG Lion Cheryl McKitrick

PDG Lion Bill McKitrick

PDG Lion Gareth Boys

PDG Lion Willie Brown

PDG Lion Helmut Neufeld

1st VDG Lion Chris Miles

2nd VDG Lion Alan French

3rd VDG Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick

Lion Patrick Fiola

Lion Gwen Argue

Lion Robert Martin

Lion Tanya Cameron

Lion Kevin Stebeleski

Lion Bonnie Bieganski

5.0 Special Guest – 5M10 PDG Lion Joanne Ogden

Introduced by PDG Lion Cheryl McKitrick

15.1 (moved in order) Lion Joanne likes to see people having fun at Cabinet meetings, thanks to Cabinet for having her.

6.0 Motion to Grant Committee Chairs Voting Privileges

Moved Lion Ben Ward, 2nd Lion Chris Miles, Carried

IPDG Lion Dwayne Moncur asked for an aside in the meeting to pass the gavel to DG Lion Anita Hart.

7.0 Additions and Adoption of the Agenda:

Additions shall be dealt with under Agenda Section 15.0

Motion to adopt the agenda with additions as Presented

Moved Lion Willie Brown, 2nd Lion Patrick Fiola, Carried

Lion Willie Brown informed Cabinet that he is in possession of Birtle Lions Club Gavel thanks to Lion Christine.

8.0 District Governor's Report - DG Lion Anita Hart – Verbal

It has been an interesting start to DG Anita's year, flooding in the Minnedosa, Rivers and Rapid City areas, events in Ottawa involving a (now former) Lions member from Bowsman Club at Rideau Hall. He is removed as a member until he is either found innocent of all the charges OR until the charges are dealt with fully, he was dropped as of July 3rd 2020 by the Bowsman Lions Club.

There are lots of new faces on Cabinet, look forward to figuring out who is who in our "zoo".

The Annual Convention is postponed until the last weekend in February 2021 due to COVID-19, as DG would love to see the district grow in membership, and clubs improve Comradship within clubs and between clubs, and more community service from the clubs, even quick, easy and simple forms of community service, Lion Kevin Stebeleski has a lot of great ideas.

Let's give our Lions the tools to be the best Lions they can be!

"We need to fertilize our gardens to get them to bloom" and we need to fortify our clubs

9.0 Financial Report – Treasurer Lion Bill McKitrick – As Circulated and presented

Lions Quest – May need to purchase kits for Education Department grads from Brandon University.

Motion to accept Financial Report as circulated and presented

Moved Lion Bill McKitrick, 2nd Lion Robert Martin, Carried

Motion to use previous members of district financial committee from 2019-2020 as members for the district financial committee for the Lion year 2020-2021.

Moved Lion Cheryl McKitrick, 2nd Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick, Carried

Motion to appoint new signing officers for financial matters, those signing officers being;
Lion Anita Hart
Lion Bill McKitrick
Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick
Lion Mark Fallis.

For financial matters, two signatures will be needed, one each from any two of the four signing officers appointed.

Those listed as signing officers will have to provide a scan or photograph of their Identification such as driver's license to the District Treasurer, Lion Bill McKitrick to provide to the financial institution for the district.

Moved Lion Willie Brown, 2nd Lion Allan French, Carried

10.0 Secretary's Report – Secretary Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick – nothing to report due to COVID-19

11.0 Adoption of Minutes – Errors, Omissions, Subsequent Corrections

Corrections noted for minutes of May 23rd, 2020 5M13 Cabinet Meeting;

-14.2 Correction of name "Mila Haco" corrected to "Mike Hawco"

-14.6 Correction of name "Lion Lorna" corrected to "Lion Loraine"

-14.12 Correction of Name "PID Stevens" corrected to "PIP Lion Brian Stevenson (Judge)"

Motion to adopt minutes as amended with corrections.

Moved Lion Cheryl McKitrick, 2nd Lion Robert Martin, Carried

12.0 Business Arising from the Minutes
No Business arising from Minutes.

13.0 Correspondence

ID Campaign information for Lion Joanne Ogden, as circulated by Lion Cheryl McKitrick.

Lion Kevin Stebeleski received a letter from the Muir (Ray and Gail) family helped by the Oakburn Lions Club along with many other clubs in the district, to purchase a wheelchair accessible van for a local family. Lion Kevin shared this letter with the District Cabinet (out of order, from section 15.6)

Cabinet Discussed that the latter should be sent to Manitoba Lion.

Should the letter be forwarded Lion Bernie with MD5M GST, for "Kindness Matters Award"?
And to LCI/LCIF?

Letter should be forwarded to all clubs who helped with this project.

Lion Kevin also put to cabinet a question about the purchasing and donations regarding the van, can the family pay for the van somehow? Who would the family pay back? If the van were ever to be sold, who would get the money?

Suggestions were made that the family could consider making a donation to MAP or LCIF.

What is to happen to the van if something "tragic" were to happen as far as the passing of

family member, would the van ownership go back to the Oakburn Lions Club? Would the van be considered for re-donation to another family that had a need?

Contact needs to be made with the Rossburn Lions Club regarding the "Field of Dreams" Project.

14.0 Committee Reports – (Some Sections May be Skipped)

14.1 Golf Tournament - Lion Chris Miles

Originally planned for June, postponed to September due to COVID-19, now with COVID-19 situation being what it is, it has been canceled with hopes of hosting one in June 2021.

DG Lion Anita Hart suggested a form of virtual golf tournament, Lion Chris Miles said he would take the idea and present it to the club at their first meeting in September

14.2 Diabetes Awareness – Lion Chris Miles

Diabetes Canada had to close down their office in Winnipeg due to the pandemic, And had to lay off a bunch of staff, Lion Chris spoke this week with the Executive Director Andrea for the Manitoba Region who is working from home, they are not raising much money, they are unable to hold public fundraising events, and unable to hold diabetes awareness events. Overall, not a good report, their revenue is at an all-time low.

The Winnipeg office was a very active office and ED Andrea is missing the office staff, many of which may not be returning, and she is looking at working from home for the foreseeable future. This year will be a year to look at rebuilding that revenue stream, any help from the clubs and the district would more than welcome and greatly appreciated.

The diabetes screening workshop last year was very successful, and we will have to circle back to it when we are able due to COVID-19.

14.3 GLT – Lion Cheryl McKitrick- as circulated and presented.

Zone Chair training was canceled Last night due to low participation and COVID-19, it will be held at a later date by ZOOM, please contact Lion Cheryl with availability.

In July, District 5M13 Clubs were able to join District 5M10 for training online.

New Officer Training will also take place in October by Zoom to avoid harvest which would effect attendance.

Lion Cheryl McKitrick took on this role this year and is a bit frustrated, due to COVID and the response she is receiving from clubs and zone chairs. Information does not seem to be flowing both ways between cabinet/GLT and the clubs regarding training.

14.4 GMT – No Chair – No Report

14.5 NAMI – Lion Willie Brown – as circulated and presented. VDG's should take on the role(s) of GMT, and make up their own little teams, report in once a month, Clubs should work together.

Here to work with GMT, GST and GAT teams.

Any questions about NAMI, ask Lion Willie and he will find an answer for you.

Kindness Matters!

Kindness doesn't need to be financial.

Work with the SWOT model, Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats at the cabinet, club and individual levels.

14.6 GST – Lion Kevin Stebeleski – Has been in Contact with Lion Bernie at MD5M, and looks forward to this challenging position.

14.7 Vision Chair – Lion Robert Martin – As circulated and presented Working on bringing a camp for visually impaired and blind adults to Manitoba, Working with DG Lion Anita Hart and CNIB, nearest camps are in Olds AB, and Hamilton ON areas.

Set up and train as many people as possible for Kids Sight Program.

Lion Robert has sent out emails regarding training to be forwarded to clubs.

COVID-19, can training be held online, also, schools may not want to do testing currently.

14.8 Kids Sight – Lion Chris Miles an behalf of Lion Myrna Miles. Booking site for Kids Sight now available on main page of 5M13 web page, no booking currently due to COVID, equipment is in good shape.

Lion Joanne – Guidelines have been put out by Kids Sight US that has been adopted by MD5M, masks and visor is recommended.

McGreggor Club has been host club for 2 years, if another club is interested in hosting, they are open to that, but they are willing to keep doing it.

14.9 Canadian Lions Childhood Cancer Foundation – Lion Gareth Boys Head Shaving fundraiser, approx. \$5,000 for the Canadian side. Most activities have be suspended due to COVID-19, no meetings have been set up yet due to COVID-19, Lion Mike is still making his Lions eye glass holder and selling them for \$10, 100% of which goes to the foundation for seed money.

14.10 Lions Foundation of M&NWO – Lion Dwayne Moncur A couple meetings are coming up, September 18-19, 2020 in Winnipeg if COVID conditions allow, if not held in person, will be held via ZOOM. A GoTo meeting was held this past week, more information will be forthcoming after the meeting.

Lion Joanne, 5M10 has their room at the manor 2/3 completed.

Tammy sent out an email to district secretaries looking for volunteers for working on the rooms.

14.11 Information Technology – Lion Patrick Fiola

Lion Pat has been in contact with lion Shirley about District 5M10's website, 5M13's website redesign is in the works, Lion Pat has been checking out ZOOM alternatives and has not come across anything better as of yet.

Lion Willy inquired about broadcasting in-person cabinet meetings via the web for members of the district, ans also has started a Zoom account through the NAMI budget to hold meetings, what needs to happen to have an account for the District, does the district use the NAMI account, or does NAMI use the District's account? What is needed to broadcast Cabinet Meetings camera or technology wise?

Lion Pat believes we only need to have a laptop that has the correct AV inputs to be able to connect a camera and a flat-screen TV or monitor.

14.12 Lions Eye Bank /MAP- Now part of LF of MB&NWO-Remove for future Agendas

14.13 Hearing Foundation of Canada- Now part of LF MB&NWO-Remove for future Agendas

14.14 Lions District Convention – DG Lion Anita Hart.

Postponed until the last weekend of February, in Portage la Prairie, MB.
February 26,27,28 Due to COVID-19

14.15 Lions Foundation of Canada / Dog Guides – Lion Helmut Neufeld
Report as submitted, Lion Bill McKitrick has to get the Dog Guides Merchandise to Lion Helmut. The main fundraiser has always been the Dog Walk which did not happen this year due to COVID-19, but they still need the funds, Clubs are encouraged to hold virtual walks or some kind of other fundraiser to help support Dog Guides. Lion Willie Passed Lion Bill's contact information on to the Dog Guides Chairman, he would like to have some advertising in the Manitoba Lion, The building in Oakville is still being worked on.

Lion Willie and DG Lion Anita have Dog Guides Calendars, they are \$20 each, Dog Guides are the charity of choice for the District Governor, \$9 of which goes the the Green Capes Club, a specialty club which purchases guide dogs for people, the remaining \$11 being split evenly between Lions Quest and Canadian Childhood Cancer Foundation, (\$5.50 Each).

14.16 Manitoba Lion – Lion Bill McKitrick – Report as submitted.

Lion Lorraine has been working on the Manitoba Lion for approximately 15 years or more and would like to take a step back while she is still willing to help, she would like to see someone take on the roll of proof reading and collecting the stories, she simply does not have the time to dedicate to the paper as she has in the past.

MD5M is also recommending Districts have a marketing person on cabinet, could this be one of their roles?

Lion Kevin Stebeleski contacted DG Lion Anita by email concerning the need for the Manitoba Lion.

Everyone please keep their eyes and ears open for anyone willing to help with the Manitoba Lion.

14.17 International Adviser – PID Lion Ben Ward “In a Perfect World”

Progress Report on Endorsement of Canadian ID

FACTS

-I was tasked with the job of finding candidates for an ID. from the Canadian portion of MD5M.

-The Canadian rotation system gave Western Canada a position during the years 2023 - 2025.

-MB./NW. ON. were favored because no ID. had been endorsed since 1999.

- PID. Dr.Bud Danylchuk passed away leaving me as the only area rep.

ACTION

With the help of PIP. Brian Stevenson, I wrote “In a perfect world - MB./NW.On. ID. Endorsement” This was a 6 step process to have a candidate endorsed by Canadian delegates by Jan.2021 and a MD5M endorsement at the Mult. Convention in 2022.

To date steps 1,2,and 3 have been completed. Two candidates have been nominated and resumes were completed by the deadline date. The candidates are PDG. Joanne Ogden, EMO, ON. And PDG. Doug Wiens, GRUNTHAL, MB. Step 3 ended July 31,2020 when PID. Marvin Chambers , and I interviewed the candidates in Winnipeg. PIP Brian Stevenson joined the meeting by phone and explained the importance of a Canadian ID. in the world of Lionism. A question and answer exchange took place.

STEP 4 My problems have just begun ! Covid-19, lions meetings ended, new cabinets, conventions were cancelled or postponed, etc. BIG QUESTION ????? Will there be district conventions in districts 10, 11, and 13 in this Lions year???? Can we have a vote???

If one has problems - I learned to ask friends for help.

Here I included ; Lion Chris Miles - 5M13 cabinet.

Lion Kevin Banford - ON. Lion using electronic programs

David Kingsbury - LCI legal dept

VP. Brian Sheehan - LCI. Executive

Basic Suggestion - If no conventions, have some type of voting by some type of mail-in balloting. VP. Brian Sheehan suggested he would help me develop a program.

LCI. Developed and sent me an outline "Election FAQ's During Covid-19" It contained the following 6 Q and A's.

1. May we change multiple or district conventions to a later date? Yes. Reasonable notification must be given and district conventions be held by May 31, 2020 and multiple conventions by June 15, 2020.
2. May a district convention be held after a mult. Convention? Yes. If no resolutions have to be passed on . District convention must be held before May 31. 2020.
3. May elections be held electronically? Yes. LCI Board authorized districts to hold elections by alternative means such as mail, email, or other reasonable method.
4. How can clubs pay dues if banks are closed? District credential committees are encouraged to permit delegates of non paid up clubs to produce a demand draft, cheque, or any method that demonstrates the clubs ability to pay.
5. Are district governors allowed to extend their term of office for a year? NO! NO! NO!
6. If a convention is not held or if elections are not held, then the immediate past District Governor must contact DistrictOfficers@lionsclubs.org and get instructions as to how to fill the vacancies.

The LCI also stated that the district or multiple constitution and bylaws also continue to apply. In other words (a) the official call, (b) nominating committee, (c) credential committee, (d) elections committee, must be in place

In our specific case a nominating committee is not necessary as that was covered in step 1 of MB/NW.ON. ID. Endorsement process.

Secondly I wish to combine the credential committee and elections committee into one committee of 5 people with a non -voting advisor. This combined committee will be set for each district election. In other words each district election will have a local committee made up of that district's members.

Reported by PID. Ben Ward to 5M13 Cabinet

14.18 Youth

14.18.1 Leo Clubs – Lion Geraldine – No report

14.18.2 Peace Poster – Lion Dwayne
Will get on with promoting Peace poster to clubs.

14.18.3 Youth Exchange – Lion Bonnie
No international travel right now so nothing is taking place currently due to COVID-19

14.18.4 Project Pride / Youth Speak Off - Lion Bonnie
Speak Off will be taking place during the Annual Convention Feb 26-28, will be proceeding with Video submission route. Has always been a highlight of the convention, but if we are going with a different format or time from the convention, or broadcasting at the convention. Possibly have winners in the age groups present at the mid-winter convention?

14.19 Lions Quest – Lion Gwen Argue – As Circulated
A staff member has started a project making and selling masks, 3 for \$20, all proceeds going to Lions Quest. Brochure has been sent to all members of Cabinet. Has raised approximately \$1000 so far.

14.20 LCIF – Lion Tanya - As Circulated

14.21 5M13 PDG – IPDG Lion Dwayne Moncur
PDGA Meeting coming up September 9 at 7:00pm, meeting switched to ZOOM.

14.22 Constitution – By-Laws/Standing Rules – PDGA – IPDG Lion Dwayne Moncur
Will be discussed during September 9 PDGA meeting.

14.23 Zone Reports

Zone 1 ... Lion Alan French - Flin Flon, Thompson
Not much happening. New treasurer in Flin Flon.
Christmas Raffle of Ford F-150 is going forward.
Thompson Club on hold as of right now.
Lon Alan French has received 6th Chemo treatment, please reach out if needed.

Zone 2 ... Lion Brett Church - Bowsman, Ethelbert, Minitonas, Pine River, Swan River
No Report.

Zone 3 ... Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick - Russell, Binscarth, Shoal Lake, Sandy Lake, Oakburn, Birtle, Strathclair, Rossburn, Elphinstone
Not much happening in the clubs Due to COVID-19, everything is at a standstill.
Birtle has had a couple BBQ's

Zone 4 ... Lion Gareth Boys - Dauphin, Gilbert Plains, Erickson, Minnedosa, Rapid City, Neepawa, Plumas, Kelwood
Pretty quiet due to COVID-19, Minnedosa Club has lost approximately \$7000 in projects that have not gone forward. New restrictions from health region have put on hold any projects to be held in conjunction with other clubs.
Thanks for the emergency grants to the communities affected by flooding recently. Clubs are wondering what can be done with the money, waiting on reports on what can be done with home insurance and what not, and what will be covered. Lion Anita has sent all the clubs affected on the criteria and what can be covered.
Minnedosa has used the money to provide food.

Zone 5 ... Lion Gwen Argue - Virden, Oak Lake, Rivers, Hamiota, Kenton, Wheat City Lions Clubs are struggling with how to get together and hold meetings due to COVID-19, Wheat City has got together with the executive, all fund raisers have been put on hold so clubs are struggling financially with current commitments and will be with future commitments. Lion Garnet Goff of the Oak Lake Lions Club Passed away.

Zone 6 ... IPDG Lion Dwayne Moncur - Pipestone, Sinclair, Melita, Waskada Same situation as with other Zones, with how to hold meetings and how to fund raise. Has contacted clubs to try and set up some kind of online get together.

Zone 7 ... Vacancy - Wawanesa, Boissevain, Brandon Lions, Sprucewoods (Branch Club of Brandon Lions)
No Chair, Lion Barb Hurd has had to step back from position due to family commitments.

Zone 8 ... Lion Al Lightfoot - Austin, McGregor, Oakville, Portage la Prairie Lions, Portage Voyageur Branch, Portage la Prairie Lioness
Portage la Prairie Lioness has folded.
Lion Nelson Olson from McGregor Lions Club has passed away.

Zone 9 ... Lion Geraldine Campbell - Crystal City, Holland Lions, Holland Lioness, Morden, Somerset, Swan Lake, Swan Lake LEOs
Morden Club is concerned about fading away.
Crystal City has been active, built a Gazebo in the park and had a meeting in the park in June. Holland Lioness' has not given answer about becoming Lions, Lion Dwayne reports that Holland Lioness' has decided to just become a ladies club not associated with

Zone 10 ... Vacancy - Stonewall, Teulon, Warren and District, Warren Horizon
No Report

Motion to adopt all Committee Reports

Moved Lion Dwayne Moncur, 2nd Lion Cheryl McKitrick, Carried.

15.0 Additions to Agenda

15.1 - Lion Joanne Ogden – ID campaign – Dealt with out of order

15.2 - PID Lion Ben Ward – Protocols – Dealt with out of order

15.3 - LCIF Emergency Disaster Grant – Dealt with out of order.
DG Lion Anita Hart will with the clubs.

15.4 - ALERT Trailer proposal
Manitoba Association of Emergency Coordinators has a trailer in St Pierre available through the municipalities, is there a need for us to have a trailer of our own with the current financial situation of most clubs. There is a trailer available with the LF of MB&NWO that was given by Manitoba Hydro.

15.5 - PID Lion Ben Ward, Inclusion of a “New Business” heading in the Agenda.

15.6 - Lion Kevin Stebeleski – Letter from the Muire Family. -
Dealt with out of order.

16.0 New Business

Credentials and Elections Committee for International Director for District 5M13 – PID Lion Ben Ward

Motion to establish a Credentials and Elections Committee for International Director for District 5M13

Those member to be appointed as follows:

Lion Bill McKitrick

Lion Chris Miles

Lion Harvey Kingdon

Lion Garry Lowdon

Lion Ben Ward as Chairperson

IVP Lion Brian Sheehan as non-voting Adviser.

Moved Lion Ben Ward, 2nd Gwen Argue, Carried

Motion to reactivate Wall of Fame Committee to follow-up on ideas discussed at their first meeting.

Moved Lion Ben Ward, 2nd Lion Gareth Boys, Carried.

Motion that district 5M13 get a district ZOOM account for use by the district and clubs to be set up by District IT Chairperson

Moved Lion Cheryl McKitrick, 2nd Lion Ryan Kirkpatrick, Carried

17.0 Date and Location of Next Cabinet Meeting

Saturday November 14th, 9:00am VIA ZOOM, in person if possible.

18.0 Adjournment

Moved Lion Dwayne Moncur