

District 5M13 Cabinet – August 27 2016 Meeting

Lion's Den, Lions Manor, 35 Victoria Ave E, Brandon MB R7A 1Y7

District Governor: Lion Gordon Kingdon, District Secretary: Lion Chris Miles

Present: Lions Willie Brown, Shannon Dueck, Helmut Neufeld, Tanya Cameron, Gwen Argue, Gareth Boys, Lynn Downey, Cheryl McKitrick, (Guest) Wanda Kingdon, Ben Ward, Chad Bodnarchuk, Chris Miles, Bill McKitrick, Gordon Kingdon

- 1.0 Called to order at 1:02 PM by the chair, DG Lion Gord Kingdon.
- 2.0 National Anthem, 'O Canada' was sung.
- 3.0 Pledge to the Canadian Flag was spoken.
- 4.0 Welcome and Introductions (Lion Gord): We are about to start on an exciting and change filled year so that we can move forward and leave the district better than it is now. Financially we are in good shape, membership wise we have some mountains—a new mountain—to climb. Meeting attendees then all introduced themselves.
- **5.0** Additions and Adoption of the Agenda: Additions to the agenda include 13.7.5, Lion Ben Ward, who had in error been omitted from the agenda. Additionally, Item 14.1, Long Term Strategic Plan (Lion Cheryl McKitrick) was inserted.

Motion 1.27.8.16, Resolved to adopt the agenda for the Cabinet Meeting of August 27 as discussed. Lion Helmut moved, Lion Shannon Seconded. Carried.

6.0 District Governor's Report - DG Lion Gordon Kingdon

Lion Gord asked that in the future, Cabinet members stand to speak. As long as they are standing, they have the floor.

Lion Gord introduced the training materials used for the zone chairs. He spoke regarding the Zone Chairs and their responsibilities this year. Lion Gord stated that he has opted to take the Zone 1 ZC position in an effort to improve communications between cabinet and the northern clubs and asks for the support of cabinet and all Lions.

7.0 Treasurer's Report - Lion Bill McKitrick

Lion Bill distributed the financial report, 2015-16 budget figures and actual numbers—2016-17 budget figures—income and expense form for the first of July to last Thursday. Revenue transferred in from previous year was 24719.30, and we had income of 60794.00. Total surplus for the year was 38941.00; Lion Bill stated that we are in a fairly good financial position.

Motion 2.27.8.16, Resolved to accept the *2015-16 financial statement* as presented. Lion Bill moved, Lion Gareth Seconded. Carried.

Lion Bill then turned to the Revenue and Expenses report. Discussion focused on GMT expenses related to the membership promotion in conjunction with PID Lion Brian Sheehan and his partner in service. The expenses were very reasonable as some of these were borne by Lion Brian from his own non-district budget. The Boissevain Lions club paid for some costs of his visit to their club as well. We are receiving around \$1000 for the Sheehan tour from LCI and the Multiple. There was a meal expense.

Motion 3.27.8.16, Resolved to reimburse the Boissevain Lions Club \$500.00 for part of the expenses incurred through the Brian Sheehan presentation in Boissevain Lion Bill moved, Lion Ben Seconded. Carried.

Budget: Lion Bill deferred further discussion of the budget until the close of the meeting as other reports and discussions may affect the budget. Chair suggested that we table further discussion on the budget until the end of the meeting.

Motion 4.27.8.16, Resolved to accept the Expense statement for 2015-16 as circulated. Lion Bill moved, Lion Willie Seconded. Carried.

Lion Willie stated that with the change of executive members, signing officers should be changed. Typically, the signing officers include the District Governor, District Secretary, District Treasurer, and one other Lion. Lion Bill stated that this would mean signing authorities for this year are District Governor Gord Kingdon, District Secretary Chris Miles, District Treasurer Bill McKitrick, and Crystal City Lions Club Member Brodie Richardson.

Motion 5.27.8.16, Resolved to appoint the following Lions as signing officers for the financial accounts of Lions District 5M13: Gordn Kingdon, District Governor, Chris Miles, District Secretary, Bill McKitrick, District Treasurer, and Brodie Richardson, Lions Club member. Lion Willie moved, Lion Chad Seconded. All in favor- aye, opposed none, Carried.

A general discussion followed on the Issue of who at cabinet meetings may vote and who may not vote. Lion Cheryl raised the question of who on the cabinet has a voice and who on the cabinet can and cannot vote; this should be clarified. The chair responded that it was the executive, zone chairs, and PDG's.

Discussion continues. In discussion it is stated that it should be important for committee chairs to be able to vote. If chairs are unable to vote, this is a disincentive to attend, and the opposite result we want. Some agreement. Another point made is that if some chairs attend only infrequently, their vote may not be well informed, particularly in the case of discussions and issues that take place over several meetings.

Motion 6.27.8.16, Resolved to enable committee chairs in attendance at cabinet meetings, plus the main cabinet members-- the executive, zone chairs, and PDG's, to be voting members of cabinet. Lion Willie Moved, Lion Ben seconded. Discussion continues. Lion Ben requests the chair to call for the vote The chair calls for the vote. 12 in favor- 1 against, Lion Helmut requesting the vote be recorded. So stipulated. Carried.

- 8.0 Secretary Report No Report
- 9.0 Adoption of the Minutes. Motion 7.27.8.16, Resolved that the minutes of the District Cabinet Meeting of May 28 2016 be accepted as distributed. Moved by Lion Chris, Seconded by Lion Willie. Carried.
- 10.0 Items Arising from the Minutes- None.
- 11.0 Correspondence None.
- 12.0 Round Table Goal Setting. As this was the focus of discussion in the training this morning, no further discussion is required.

13. Committee Reports

13.1 Golf – Cancelled this year.

13.2 CDA - No report.

13.3 GLT Training – Lion Chad - this morning went well. If you can't make it to training sessions please let us know. There is more value in a group discussion than an individual discussion. 13.4 GMT – Lion Gareth - St Cloud MN GMT Training, importance of mentoring—you can gain a different perspective by involving with other districts and other clubs. Lion Gareth will be working hard to get new people into the clubs. Retention is so important. Getting Lions is one thing—then we have to keep them.

13.5 Journey for Sight – No report.

13.6 Information Technology report. Lion Chris reported that Google mail lists have been set up this year to make mailing information to Groups easier to do. The cabinet, cub secretaries, club presidents, and Zone chairs are all individual e-mail addresses. The club reporting site remains down. We will need some funding possibly to get it back up, probably at least 1000.00. 13.7 Eyebank/MAP Next meeting is 10 September.

13.7.5 Protocol - PID Ben Ward – With regard to the changing of dates of the convention. There needs to be a constitutional amendment- that the change of date is permanent. Other issue was with the way that the flags are presented on stage—their position changed from one day to the next.

MOTION 8.27.8.16 – Resolved, that an amendment to the constitution allowing the annual convention of the district to be held in the months of November, December, January, and February, instead of only in the months of January and February be placed before the District membership for consideration at the Annual District Convention. Moved by Lion Cheryl, Seconded by Lion Willie. Carried.

13. 8 Hearing Foundation – (Lion Chad) – 5M13 Hearing Aid box challenge – Binscarth won a cheque for \$1000.00 Binscarth School. PID Lion Ben had asked that his award be retired, and the committee agreed. The new DECIBEL Award is \$500 for the club and a medallion that is still being designed and will be approved at the September meeting.

13. 9 Roar for Hearing (Lion Chad) – What Journey for Sight is to the Eyebank, the roar for Hearing is to Hearing. September 11 2016-- this is the last time the roar will be held in Austin. Presales are going well. We are ahead by \$6000 and we haven't had the ride yet! The route is

Holland- Austin – Treherne- Spruce Woods and back into Austin. You can do the drive however you like, any car or truck. Or motorcycle. There will be a meal as well.

13.10 MW Convention: No report. Lion Ben wishes to attend future planning meeting. Lion Lorna is doing really well with this—lots to look forward to.

13.11 LFC/Dog Guides: Lion Bill: Update: This past week, we graduated our 2,500th team since the program started. Fittingly, it was an Autism team that graduated as the milestone team. There is a waiting list for Autism Assistance. Over 1.3 Million dollars raised this year, in 5m13 18665.00 within 10 walks. Portage Walk did best; #2 in Canada 5M for walks.

13.12 Lions Leadership Forum: Remove from agenda in future- it's an error.

13.13 MB Lion: (Lion Bill) Lion Lorraine would like to make some changes—going more electronic—use Facebook more—hand in hand with the newsletter. Moving away from snail mail out. Up to 5 issues where there would be printed glossy brochures. At present we are paying 1000-1100 every month—we are paying for a minimum run of 1000. She could probably do for 6-700 dollars instead of 1000 plus. If we do make changes – how are the clubs going to react— there will be no hard copy printout... a couple of clubs get 20-40 papers. The unavoidable expense is that this would be lost. From the business ad side, they've been paying \$100 for the business ads—they probably just pay to get us out the door.

Motion 9.27.8.16: Resolved that we go completely electronic in terms of our newspaper, paying a flat rate of \$100. Moved by Lion Helmut. Seconded by Lion Chris. Carried.

13.14 Youth

13.14.1 Leo Clubs – No report

13.14.2 Youth Exchange – Lion Gord Kingdon - No participation in YEX this year. Zone chairs need to look for student candidates through their clubs- outgoing to places like Australia. There was a video from Austria that showed our Speak Off winner.

13.14.3 Project Pride / Youth Speak Off – Lion Willie Brown - need to take this to the schools to having just 5 weeks for the speak off preparation. Targeting youth and schools. If you have a zone meeting, please keep this front and centre. Our own club has a youth exchange Liaison. This would be a very good thing to have in each club—can you find the name of each Lion who is willing to take this on? Levels are Grades 6-8, 9-10, 11-12, very wonderful addition to the mid-winter convention. Very important to speak it up at club level.

13.14.4 Peace Poster – no report. Lion Aletha has been in touch with Lion Margaret. Lion Gord notes the Peace Poster contest will maintain its own schedule and will not be part of this year's earlier convention.

13.15 Lions Quest – No report.

13.16 LCIF – No report

13.17 Lions Centennial – - No report

13.18 5M13 PDG - No report

13.19 Constitution –No Report

13.20 Lions Memorial –No Report

Motion 10.27.8.16: Resolved that all committee reports be accepted. Moved by Lion Cheryl, Seconded by Lion Helmut, Carried.

14.0 Additions to Agenda

Budget Finalization: Lion Bill moved \$1000 into Information Technology – some other minor budgetary changes.

Motion 11.27.8.16: Resolved that the Budget as circulated for 2016-17 be accepted. Moved by Lion Bill, Seconded by Lion Helmut. Carried.

- 14.1 Long Term Strategic Plan Changes. Lion Cheryl stated that changes for 2016-17 have been applied to the plan and that members should refer to it. We will discuss and adopt at the November meeting.
- 14.2 Lion Leadership Forum Mini Forum Mahnomen Leos to leadership how to have fun.
- 14.3 Lion Gord presented a Guiding Lion certificate to Lion Gareth, to applause.
- 15.0 Next meeting is Friday, November 4 in Brandon, MB.

Motion 12.27.8.16: Adjourn the meeting at 1541. Moved by Lion Cheryl. Accepted by the Chair.