



**District 49B 1st Cabinet Meeting Minutes
Aurora Borealis Eyeglass Recycling Center
North Pole, Alaska
Saturday, July 27, 2019
12:45pm - 4:00pm**

12:45pm: Welcome and Call to Order by DG Gerry Gerein

Greetings / Welcome:

Welcome from DG Gerry. Thanks for coming; your participation is much appreciated. 1VDG Karen is looking forward to a great year.

Opening

O'Canada, Star Spangled Banner, and Lions' Prayer.

Role Call - CS Jennifer

Voting Cabinet Members Present: DG Gerein, 1VDG K. Lane, CST Bodily, Z2 A. Smith, Z3 J. Marcinkowski, GMT H. Rixie, GLT Marcinkowski = 7/11

Committees: Audit/Elections D. Bellows, Nominations 1VDG K. Lane, Sight Conservation PDG R. Webb, Pin Chair PDG D. Rixie, Lions Quest 1VDG K. Lane, ABLERC/Constitution & Bylaws PCC H. Rixie

Clubs Present: Goldstream Valley, Host, Offroad, Snowmobile Fun, Fox, Interior Baseball, North Pole, Grey Mountain

Introduction of Guests: Welcome to guests from 49A and introduction of all 49B Lions.

Approve Agenda: PCC Howard Rixie moved to approve the agenda. 2nd by CC Ski Marcinkowski. Motion carried.

4th Cabinet Meeting Minutes Approval: CC Marcinkowski moved to approve the minutes. 2nd by 1VDG K. Lane. Motion carried.

2019 - 20 Preliminary Budget Approval: PCC H. Rixie moved to approve the preliminary budget. 2nd by Z3 J. Marcinkowski. Discussion included amending to include "Dues" next to Tax to alleviate confusion. PID Quinn brought up the \$3500 PR

Grant from LCI. 1VDG K. Lane will look into this Grant. The motion carried with amendments.

Treasurer's Report: CST Bodily discussed the Alaska USA accounts required new signers and needing the previous signers dropped. Z3 J. Marcinkowski moved to change the signers of the Alaska USA accounts by dropping PDG Cory Bellows and PDG Dorothy Rixie and adding 1VDG Karen Lane and CST Jennifer Bodily but keeping CC Robert Marcinkowski as a signer. All existing TD Canada Trust signers (Lion Gordon Sutton and Lion Murray Adams) will remain the same. Z2 A. Smith 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

International Convention Recap: DG Gerry described it as, "Simply an adventure in learning." Big takeaway message was that you can do what you choose to do if you set your mind to it. Don't be afraid to step into positions because it makes you grow as a person. CC Ski discussed the voting that is done at International Convention and the importance of informing delegates of their responsibilities as attendees and voters prior to convention. Please help spread the word to your clubs and whomever may be attending in the future.

2019 - 20 Goals: DG Gerry's goals include Leadership (officer training, guiding Lions, etc.), Membership (growth of 15 members in district), Service (100% of clubs reporting, etc.), and LCIF (100% of clubs contributing). Please see DG Gerry's attached letter for more details.

Old Business

- 1) **Zone Chair Training:** Immediately after the cabinet meeting, GLT/CC Ski will hold the training for current Zone chairs as well as anyone else interested.
- 2) **Leadership / Mentors:** GLT/CC Ski discussed the importance of identifying potential district leaders during club visits. CST Jen discussed the goal identified at the incoming cabinet meeting of having each district leader finding a Lion to mentor in their position throughout the year to potentially take over next year. Lions should notify 1VDG Karen about potential candidates so the mentoring process can begin. DG Gerry would like to have ideas of mentees by the 2nd Cabinet meeting in October.
- 3) **Vacancies - 2VDG / Z5:** 1VDG Karen identified a Lion who may be interested but not sure of the logistics if they live where there is no active club. PCC Howard clarified that they must be a regular member, not at large. Zone 5 Chair will be filled by Eileen Mock, Delta Lions.

- 4) Clubs Needing Immediate Help:** DG Gerry informed that Lake Laberge is down to 6ish members and they need immediate help. He would like GMT, GLT, and GST to get together to set a plan. PCC Howard brought up “reinventing” the club like was previously done in Healy. Zone 2 Anthony identified the issue the Racing Lions was having with money. They were \$5000 behind in bills and developed a plan to get back on track. 1VDG Karen said a few clubs donated to them and since racing season has begun, the money should be coming in. The problem was an in between seasons cash flow issue. PCC Howard discussed identifying 3 champions from the Multiple District Long Range Plan. CC Ski stated that he had already identified and asked 3 Lions: PCC Ed Casey, PDG Jim Roderigues, and PDG Juanita Webb. DG will contact these 3 and ask for a recommitment as well as a plan for each to share out at the Fall Festival in October.

New Business

- 1) Fall Festival:** October 18th & 19th in Delta. Please come and have a club report available to share (email if you can't make it). Not formal - come as you are. More information to come.
- 2) Club Membership / Motivation:** GMT/PCC Howard discussed the “Just Ask” plan for District 49B. He is advocating for **every** club to do all 3 steps this year. (Recruiting event, Alumni event, and Media project). Please see the attached flyer for more information. GLT/CC Ski identified the upcoming trainings Lions can apply for. [ALLI](#) (Advanced Lions Leadership Institute) is for former & current club Presidents. Application deadline is 8/26 and it is held in Chicago. [FDI](#) (Faculty Development Institute) - deadline 11/4, held in Houston. [CIP](#) (Certified Instructor Program) - deadline 8/6, held in Calgary. ELLI (Emerging Lions Leadership Institute) is no longer offered and is now a MD responsibility. GLT/CC Ski identified that approximately 75% of club officers have not been trained. He is happy to set up trainings in clubs. Zones should ask clubs if they want training and he would be happy to set it up. Ideally these trainings would be done at Zone meetings. [Lions Learning Center](#) is a wealth of information with all the trainings you could imagine. It includes instructor manuals and assignments which could be done in clubs or with help from GLT/CC Ski. [Lions University](#) is also available through the [USA/Canada Leadership Forum](#). PDG Dodie recommended that Zones look at new additions to clubs each month and personally reach out to the new Lions to get them invested.
- 3) Potential New Clubs / Leos:** Please refer to the 2019-20 Goals in DG Gerry's letter. We want a minimum growth of 1 club and 1 Leo Club. Please be open with the cabinet if you see possibilities. CST Jen brought up the possibility of the

Whitehorse Ski Club as a Leos club. 49A PDG Esther discussed the possibility of a Phillipino club with assistance from the Mabuhay Lions in 49A. She will reach out to them. PDG Cory discussed pushing more specialty clubs. They are already built as a club and just need to be sold on the Lions. PCC Howard recommended showing the Healy presentation at the Fall Festival and issuing a challenge to clubs to make their own. This will teach clubs the message we need to convey when sharing Lions with others.

- 4) **Regular Cabinet Contact:** This is critical, so how best to contact cabinet and keep clubs informed? CST will continue to send emails as attachments are sent best this method. It is up to Zones to check in with clubs to make sure they are receiving emails. PDG Dodie mentioned that the directory is getting ready to be published to the district website. PCC Howard recommended that each club get 2 preferred methods of contact for each member to ensure that information is getting out. Zones can also use these to contact clubs. PCC Howard also discussed the district Facebook page as a possibility for posting events and news to get information out to clubs and all Lions in the district who may not check email regularly. CC Ski reminded everyone that service is no longer being reported through myLCL, and now it must be reported on myLion. DG Gerry would like there to be a conference call every 6 weeks for cabinet only. The first dates is TBD and more information is to follow.
- 5) **Good of the Order:** Lion Donna has completed the audit for this year and submitted the report. PDG Cory invited all Lions to come out to the official signing of the ORV Park Lease on August 3rd at Noon. This will be held at the ORV Park at the end of South Cushman, and this is a major milestone for the Offroad Lions.

Closing Remarks: PDG Cory thanked all Lions in the room for their commitment and service.

Adjournment: DG Gerry adjourned the meeting at 4:01pm.

Next Meeting: Fall Festival, October 18 - 19th, Delta