



District 49B 3rd Cabinet Meeting Minutes

Zoom

Saturday, February 19, 2022

2:00 pm AKDT

Welcome/Call to Order 2:11/4:11 pm

DG Blattner

Opening

1VDG Johnson

Star Spangled Banner - Suspended

O'Canada - Suspended

Lions Prayer

Roll Call – CST B Durbin

Voting Cabinet Members Present: DG Blattner, 1VDG Johnson, 2VDG Kirchner, IPDG K. Lane, CST B Durbin, Z2 Brewer, Z6 B. Lane, Z7 Doering (came in late), GMT PDG Gerein, GLT PCC S. Marcinkowski, GST J. Marcinkowski (Quorum present)

Committees: Sight Conservation – PDG R Webb; Pin – K Peterson; Social Media – D Durbin; ABLERC – PCC H. Rixie; Constitution/By-Laws – PCC H. Rixie

Clubs Present – Anderson, Choice, Host, Offroad, Fox, Interior Baseball, Kotzebue, North Pole, Fireweed, Grey Mountain

Opening Comments

DG Blattner – Thank you for coming.

1VDG Johnson – Doing her DG training, have seminar at the end of the month, working on her cabinet.

2VDG Kirchner – Going to visit the local clubs by end of April, want to get with the high school and college service clubs to see if we could help them or they help us.

Approval of Agenda

DG Blattner

PDG Gerein moved, Lion Buddy 2nd, approved.

Administrative Reports

2nd Cabinet Meeting Minutes

CST B. Durbin

Gerry moved for 1st & 2nd, Dianna 2nd, approved

Budget

CST B. Durbin

Correspondence: none

Club Reports (3 minutes)

Anderson –they have not met in person, but meet board meetings through zoom, no meetings, but paying dues

Choice – meeting in person, working a cancer walk, working on things for late summer/early fall,

Host –Still meet weekly in person, attendance pretty good, been donating money out, talking about state convention, Quilts of Valor going good, had several presentations, had 100+ get a quilt, look forward to getting quilts out to our Lion veterans/active duty, mother's day breakfast coming soon,

Offroad – dodgeball fundraiser is going to be this summer at the soccer fields, lease on Offroad park going to be renewed and will working on back this summer, will host next Friendship night,

Fox – Foot clinic in January successful, meal for vulnerable population – 24-26 people a week, a silent auction coming up for February – March for a person needing surgery, added 3 new members in last few months and one wants to be a board member, Easter bake sale coming up – for community garden in Fox, did kids Christmas party had about 80 kids, had dog sled rides for first time

Interior Baseball – meeting remotely, but having in-person meeting next Saturday for a dinner and a mini induction for new members, baseball season starting, cash calendars are coming, will have available at convention

Kotzebue – not had any meetings lately, have out breaks and capacities, lost a few longtime members recently in October and November, help where we can with those families, paid their loan for roof repair paid off, 1 bingo a week for fundraising, starting conversation for building usage,

North Pole – this weekend we had Buzz Otis memorial fund run practice run for junior mushers, North American dog mushing, collected books to be donated to The Door and Women's in Crisis Center, 2 Texas Hold 'em with Masons, Holiday Heights Christmas put up and take down, members made Christmas boxes for children for Women's Shelter in Fairbanks, just started a grocery raffle selling tickets, winner gets a \$200 gc every week for 6 months to total \$5200, started planning for Cruisin with Santa that is on May 21, bringing back the Sleigh Bell Run 5K run in June proceeds will go to cancer, first recipient is the Breast Cancer Detection Center, eyeglass recycling 2x a month, hosted Friendship nights – thanks for all that came.

Fireweed- down to meeting once a month, not comfortable meeting in person, so doing Zoom meetings; 4th Tuesday of the month;

Grey Mountain – 15 members strong; keep thinking of membership; did Kettle drive with Salvation Army and had fun, was outside, did well; did work day at Gary's house and washed glasses and sorted them, so have glasses ready to get to recycling center;

Zone Chair Reports

2 – need to get to clubs, visited Snowmobile Clubs, it was a lot of fun

6 – heard from Matt, reached out to Healy but not gotten an answer; Anderson, reached out to Bering Sea and left message

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Committee Reports (3 minutes)

Audit – The audit should have been performed with the outgoing CST. However, Beth and I have discussed this and the audit will be performed next month.

Nominations – At a meeting in Delta Junction, when Karen Lane was 1VG it was decided the 1VG would chair the nominations committee. It does not appear that information was communicated forward, and nominations became a separate function from elections. I have received letters of intent from three candidates and am expecting a fourth letter of intent. During the convention, the nominations need to be read aloud and accepted. It is also an opportunity for the endorsee of a candidate to say nice things, or not and for the candidate to also speak on their own behalf. I am not attending or I would volunteer to lead the nominations at the convention. Also, Dodie and I are planning a mini training session with Beth and Megan next month to discuss certifying delegates and the electronic election process. IPDG K. Lane volunteered to do the nominations stuff for convention. Lion Buddy asked why DG and 1VDG have to put in paperwork? PCC H. Rixie said it is more a formality of their commitment.

Elections - None

Sight Conservation – I want to start my report by pointing out and thanking PDG Dodie Rixie and PDG Cory Bellows for helping me serve folks with vision issues. I received a panicked call from someone scheduled for eye surgery when Fairbanks had that crazy snow, rain, snow, rain, and more snow, so she couldn't get out of her driveway. I contacted Cory, and he went right over to plow her driveway, I was headed to Cabo again for a vision mission and wasn't sure if it would happen and knew of some folks needing readers, so I contacted Dodie and asked for a dozen readers of varying strengths. When I went to pick them up, she handed me a huge bag; she must have given me at least 3 dozen pairs of readers. Luckily, she did since the vision mission was cancelled while I was in flight, so every pair she sent was needed. She made me a hero with the locals once again. Unfortunately, I

returned home to several concerned voicemails since Access Alaska Fairbanks is once again without a vision loss advocate specialist which serves the entire Northern Region. I finally received a copy of the memorandum of agreement for the Lions' Low Vision Workstations in the public libraries; unfortunately, I got excited when it finally was approved and didn't read it. It was supposed to be between the district and Fairbanks North Star Borough, but I worked at the libraries for years so all involved know me and that I'm with the Fox Lions; therefore, the MOA is between the Borough and Fox Lions making all of the equipment except the computers Fox Lion property. The equipment at the North Pole branch was removed sometime last year supposedly by a Lion. I haven't gotten an answer to what happened to it. Library personnel only knows that it was given to a Lion. The equipment is worth thousands of dollars and would be helpful and welcome elsewhere. I fully believe an honest mistake was made and wasn't malicious! I simply know the needs of the blind and low vision community and want to make sure the equipment is being used! I continue to participate in and partner with the Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired and other organizations that serve those with vision loss in hope of getting resources and services to those that need them.

– PCC H. Rixie asked PDG R. Webb if he could find out and report on the kid's camps coming up this summer at convention; also need to introduce himself to Steven Bailey with the School District; follow-up on the Center; the Host Lions donated equipment to the library in the past – are they gone now? He thinks they are in the mobile library and some might be in the library, he is not sure; Howard – if equipment is being replaced why not give to Access Alaska to distribute? PDG R. Webb says that is what he wants to do. He was trying to find out what Access Alaska equipment was needed, but could not get the information;

Pin Chair – We have 1 order for 20 pins, order needs to be placed next Council meeting which is tomorrow. Will email the information to Helen and then Helen will report it to Dodie. Rick can we sell pins to non-Lions? yes

LCIF – According to report – only 1 club donated to LCIF –total \$4200 for our District with other donations; cyclones – LCIF is sending relief money; donated to LCIF by clubs and individually;

Lions Quest – meeting in December was cancelled with School Board member to be the Champion for that, would take a lot of fundraising to get his started in our District, but will pass the information on and hope to get started; Howard – how much money are we talking? \$50,000 to get the program in Fairbanks; Howard suggested a teleconference with Anchorage School District because they have already started, also the 49B Foundation has a lot of money that might be reallocated

49B Foundation – A quiet year for the foundation. Payments are still being collected for the sale of the youth camp. I am actually in contact with the buyer every two to three months.

ABLERC – been active, really happy with dishwasher in place, washed, cleaned and dried 1,800 glasses in less than 3 hours. Sitting on about 25,000 glasses that need washed, but need to pick up pace on reading glasses, but challenge has been volunteer force, need more volunteers!! Howard went to Hudson, Wisconsin to see Respectable, they have a unique way of doing the eyeglasses, so want to do something similar; more information to come. Money is tight right now with the foundation, include us in your budget.

Constitution/ By Laws – nothing to report, no changes or submissions

Social Media – Global Lions Forum group on Facebook run by Richard Stevens; encourage everyone to get on this page, very information, very popular, new ideas, new Service Projects from around the world, also different trainings that is being shared by US and around the world that anyone can do since they are on Zoom.

Old Business

1. Convention – April 7-9 in Palmer – DG Blatner & Gary will be coming if they can, they will find out soon. 11 from Fairbanks that I know so far. They have done an updated form and added a virtual option. I will send out the new registration form out.
2. Promote Membership – promote membership; know it has been very difficult with Covid, in Canada has been hard to do; PCC Ski congratulate DG Blatner, we are at +3 in membership, it is a good thing. IPDG K. Lane has some new member packets that she has if anyone needs them.

New Business

1). New Delta Interior Racing Association Club – Charter Members: Eugene Bass; Thomas Bass; Rusty Craig; Tina Craig; Shandra Hepler; Rene Huyke; Nicholas Keller; Caleb Pugh; Carson Pugh; Gerald Pugh; Jason Pugh; Nicole Pugh; Aaron Seeger; Brooke Seeger; Heather Stossmeister. Guiding Lions are: Robert “Ski” Marcinkowski and Eileen Mock

; thank you IPDG Karen Lane for getting this started, they were chartered December 31, 2021. Lion Lewis Quinn also helped with that. Waiting to hear when the Chartered Night will be. Howard – is someone reminding Delta Lions that they should buy the banner for them, it is customary for the club to buy the banner.

- 2). Individual Service Awards – Helen received these in January –

2021/2022 Years of Service Listing

10 Year Award

Craig Hill of Fairbanks Snowmobile Fun Lions Club - Charter
Cheri L. McConnell of Bering Sea Lions Club
Harry L. Karmun of Bering Sea Lions Club
Jake A. Rand of Bering Sea Lions Club
Susan T. Rand of Bering Sea Lions Club
Betty P. Tsai of Fairbanks Host Lions Club
Shoshana Kun of Fairbanks Host Lions Club
Raechel D. Chepoda of Healy Valley Lions Club
Anthony J. Cravalho of Kotzebue Lions Club
Nina M. Lie of Kotzebue Lions Club
David Stutz of Fairbanks Goldstream Valley Lions Club
Kevin Harper of Fairbanks Goldstream Valley Lions Club
Doug Isaacson of North Pole Lions Club
Kate Stone of North Pole Lions Club
Michele Nilson of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club

15 Year Award

Andrew Webster of Anderson Clear Lions Club
Jeff S. Taylor of Anderson Clear Lions Club
Robert F. Mueller of Anderson Clear Lions Club
Robert Scott Thompson of Anderson Clear Lions Club
Samantha S. Thompson of Anderson Clear Lions Club
Juanita Webb of Fairbanks Host Lions Club
Bree M. Swanson of Kotzebue Lions Club
Marlene R. Smith of Kotzebue Lions Club
David Costello of Fairbanks Goldstream Valley Lions Club
Gina Gucker of Fairbanks Goldstream Valley Lions Club
Jeff Clifton of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club
Jeffrey McLean of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club
Karin Wolfe of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club
Mark Weber of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club
Tina Henne of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club
Richard Brandvold of Whitehorse Lions Club
Barb Bouvier of Whitehorse Fireweed Lions Club
Maryse Sevigny of Whitehorse Fireweed Lions Club

20 Year Award

Patty Andersen of Bering Sea Lions Club
Richard I. Mauer of Delta Lions Club
Dana K. Luce of Fox Lions Club
Mark Whitmore of Fox Lions Club
Marlene Bach of Fox Lions Club
Marvin G. Brown of Fox Lions Club
Mathew Bach of Fox Lions Club
Sara Whitmore of Fox Lions Club
Tim McKay of Fox Lions Club
Wayne T. Jones of Fox Lions Club
Alice Davis of Kotzebue Lions Club

Ethel F. Toshavik of Kotzebue Lions Club
Steve Carter of Fairbanks Goldstream Valley Lions Club
Dennis Thies of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club
Jeffrey Anderson of Fairbanks Racing Lions Club

25 Year Award Lions Club

D. Marie O'Neil of Fairbanks Host Lions Club
Harold Lambert of Kotzebue Lions Club
Dianne M. Sandberg of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club
Rob Proffitt of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club
Wade Istchenko of St. Elias Lions Club

30 Year Award

Barbara A. Oleson of Bearing Sea Lions Club – Charter
Jack Tragus of Fairbanks Arctic Lions Club - Charter
Frank M. McGilvary of Fairbanks Host Lions Club
Delores Daisy Norton of Kotzebue Lions Club
Calvin Murdoch of Whitehorse Lions Club
Gordon Sutton of Whitehorse Grey Mountain Lions Club
Garry Doering of Whitehorse Grey Mountain Lions Club
Garth Sumner of Whitehorse Grey Mountain Lions Club

35 Year Award

Leonard D. Brown of Fairbanks Goldstream Valley Lions Club
Gene Hansen of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club
Wayne J. Dennis of Whitehorse Lions Club

40 Year Award

Karl E. McManus of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club Lions Club – Charter
Lealand Rich of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club Lions Club – Charter
Melo Jackovich of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club Lions Club – Charter
William Kind of Fairbanks Curling Lions Club Lions Club - Charter

45 Year Award

Angeline M. Richardson of Whitehorse Fireweed Lions Club - Charter
Richard Napoleone of Anderson Clear Lions Club
Joseph Peters of Delta Lions Club

50 Year Award

Ernie Coleman – Anderson Clear Lions Club

PCC H. Rixie – I would hold off sending, so wait to see if coming to convention because of mail to Canada taking so long.

For the Good of the Order

PCC Ski – remind if want to go to Forum, the early bird price is coming up at end of March. In Calgary, PCC Ski is going to be a presenter. International June 24-28 in Montreal.

PDG R. Webb – Lion Stephanie having a hard time getting onto LCIF, is anyone else having problems? Stephanie said she finally did get in by trying a different url.

Adjournment – 4:00/6:00 pm