



## District 49B 1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting Agenda

Zoom

Sunday, August 15, 2021

6:00 pm AKDT

### **6:06 pm: Welcome and Call to Order by DG Blattner**

#### **Opening**

1VDG Johnson

Star Spangled Banner

O'Canada

Lions Prayer

#### **Roll Call – CST B Durbin**

**Voting Cabinet Members Present:** DG Blattner, 1VDG Johnson, 2VDG Kirchner, IPDG Lane, CST B Durbin, Z2 Brewer, Z3 Hamsley, Z6 B Lane, Z7 Doering, GLT PCC S. Marcinkowski, GST J Marcinkowski (Quorum present)

**Committees: Elections –** Hamsley; **Sight Conservation –** PDG R Webb; **Pin –** K Peterson; **LCIF –** PCC S Marcinkowski; **Lion Quest –** PDG K Lane; **Social Media –** D Durbin

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

#### **Opening Comments:**

DG Blattner – Thank you for coming, thank you for the support and asked if clubs received their letters and pins.

1VDG Johnson – Thank you for coming. Liked seeing everyone at Convention, Thank you for Host Lions, Buddy and Karen

2VDG Kirchner – Excited about getting started and getting together as a group. The letters were well accepted and feels it really made a difference to the members

Approve Agenda: DG Blattner wants to add Fall Festival.

#### **Administrative Reports:**

2021 – 2022 Goals: DG Blattner went over her goals: increase membership; improve the bond between clubs and district; increase the Clubs reporting of Service; and Humanitarian Service project

2VDG Kirchner – To have a good year, started out well, is excited for the year

1VDG Johnson – Excited about the year, hope we get to travel this year, hopefully will get to visit some of the clubs

DG Blattner – We can come into Canada, but Canadians cannot come to the US yet. Waiting to here on August 21<sup>st</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting Minutes: IPDG K Lane moved to accept the minutes and 1VDG Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried

Pre-Cabinet Meeting Minutes: PCC S Marcinkowski moved to accept the minutes and IPDG K Lane 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried

Budget: PDG Holis Hall asked if there is something about clubs helping the District Governor?

PCC S Marcinkowski reported that every club is asked to donate money for travel. M Peterson asked if there is a minimum? PCC S Marcinkowski stated they donated a \$100. PDG Hall sad at one time it was \$100 rec. For each club. DG Blattner said she will get information to Zone Chairs to ask clubs to donate

Accounts Receivable: as of August 4<sup>th</sup>.

1VDG Johnson asked if a letter was sent to Barrow about being suspended? DG Blattner forwarded the email as well as called the President and said they are aware and will pay it before the deadline

PCC S Marcinkowski said if it is negative – has credit; positive – owes

Correspondence: Nothing except letters from DG Blattner

### **Club Reports:**

Anderson: It is quiet, they do not meet in the summer, they have donated funds and let others use the club house, they have not met for this year yet.

Choice: They meet in person. They did their signature project, where they fed the people at the cancer walk. They are trying to figure out how to put the event into My Lions afterwards

Host: Did bingo at the fair. The membership is concerned about not having enough volunteers to do events, they appreciate the clubs that came out and helped. They are concerned about getting the younger generation and losing some of the older members. Need to get volunteerism as a thing in our Nation again

Offroad: They are planning their fall fundraiser – Dodgeball tournament, still working on the ORV park, they meet in person monthly, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

Fox: Meeting in person 1 time a month. Had a foot clinic in July. Had garage sale in July. They had a memorial at the park and had about 120 people attend. Working on a wooden bench for the park, help with meals for about 24 people, working on the drainage project at the community center

Interior Baseball: Helped at fair. Helped Delta Lions. Baseball games, 50/50 was successful. Do not meet in the summer. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in August in person, 2 new members, 2 more coming and possible 1 more. Cash calendars

Kotzebue: Done very little since City wide cleanup, in which they are one of the trash collection points that handed out 1 dollar per bag and a raffle ticket for the kids to earn a bike. There was 44 bikes donated to the city this year, but they did not have as many bags donated this year. They have gained a few members, need to throw a ball or something, to honor the members. They have Bingo once a week, but limited capacity because of CDC and city ordinances. Helps with moral. Region has tightened because of Covid. Need to meet more but because of Covid and fishing season, this is their down time. Thanks to Helen for the personal letters sent out, very heart felt.

North Pole: Meet 2x a month in person. Doing Eyeglass Recycling 2x a month. Challenge each club in District to pick a Saturday to come out and help. Added 2 new members.

Fireweed: Do not meet in summer, not in person, will start meeting in September. Hope to have fall fundraiser in December.

Grey Mountain: Do not meet in summer. Have glasses to wash and bagged up and ready to bring to AK.

### **Zone Chair Reports:**

Zone 2 Brewer: Going to get trained by Ski and then will start contacting her clubs.

Zone 3 Hamsley: Not met with clubs yet, will work on getting with them this month.

Zone 6 B Lane: Not met with any clubs yet, will be reaching out to them and try to visit clubs.

Zone 7 Doering: 6 clubs in Canada. Debbie Hought passed away about a month ago. Dease Lake is a work in progress. Had a 4 club installation BBQ night, they do this every year, about 40 people came to the event.

### **Committee Reports:**

Elections: Does not have a report as of yet.

Sight Conservation: been working with the Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired to make sure the Center participates actively in all future MD conventions since it is the only vision loss rehabilitation facility in the state. I represented the Center during the Paving the Way with the ADA event the Wall Busters Advocacy Group puts on at the Tanana Valley State Fair. Joyel with Fairbanks Host Lions and I are working with Jaye Palmer of Access Alaska Fairbanks to help people with vision loss in the Northern Region advocate for themselves. In my previous years as the Sight Conservation and Work with the

Blind committee chair, I had to fight to keep the Lions' Low Vision Workstations in the public libraries; unfortunately, the equipment at the North Pole branch was removed sometime in the last year. I haven't gotten an answer to what happened to the equipment that was there and is owned by the district. It needs to be tracked down, so anyone with knowledge of where it is or what happened to it should contact me. I participated in the National Federation of the Blind's national convention and will pursue collaborating on projects with the state affiliate since there is no longer a chapter in the Interior.

Pin Chair: No report.

LCIF: Has Zoom meeting tomorrow. Last year of Centennial challenge. 7.2 earthquake in Haiti – LCIF looking for donations.

GLT: Will do training with Toni. Have Zone Chair training in Eagle River on Sept 25. New club – will do training with them when we get their charter.

Social Media: Making a new Facebook and Instagram page for the District. Want to highlight clubs and events happening in the District. Not the main marketing for your event, but will post if information is sent to her.

ABLERC: Eyeglass recycling 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. Some commercials will be on tv soon. 3500 glasses sent to Nigeria and this Saturday getting 3500 to 4000 more glasses ready to send to Africa.

GST: Encourage clubs to put officers into online for clubs. The Service Chair, Secretary or President can put service in LCI. Question was asked if you must wear Lion vest to an event for it to count as service? No, but encourage to wear Lion pin.

#### **New Business:**

Fall Festival: DG Blattner wants to have a Fall Festival but waiting to hear about whether Canadians can come to Alaska. Would like to have Fall Festival at the Eyeglass Recycling Center. October 22 & 23<sup>rd</sup>. She will need help. North Pole Lions volunteered to host the Fall Festival at the Center.

#### **For the Good of the Order:**

IPDG K Lane: will you be doing the monthly call-ins? Yes, she will send out the dates soon. First one September 19 at 6pm.

PDG R Webb: Need to build Lions up. Convention was great.

**Closing Remarks**: None

**Adjournment**: 7:51 pm