**Addendum “A”**

**Minutes of # 3 Cabinet Meeting – February 27th, 2021**

DG Lion Don, Cabinet members and guests.

As the incoming DG for the Lion’s year 2021-22, I have 2 items to bring to this year’s cabinet. The first item is information only, the second item requires a vote by cabinet to make it happen. As I have been working on the District goals, filling committee positions and completing my DGE training, I have been looking at the district and how we can build on past successes to better serve the Lions of the district.

The first Item I want to share is that I will not be using the Region Chair positions during my year as your DG. I have given this quite a bit of thought and I reached out the research and long-range planning committee as well as a few PDGs to get their opinions. Generally, the feedback I received is that the position may be of value in getting its chair to be known throughout part of the District; however, in many instances the position is seen as being either under-utilized or over bearing.

The constitution in all cases where Region Chair is mentioned includes the wording “if the position is utilized during the district governor’s term.” This means that the use of the position is up to the district governor for that specific year. This is included in both the standard Form District Constitution and the District A3 Constitution. The position of Zone chair on the other hand is mandated in all cases and these positions need to be filled. Because the use of region chairs is determined by the DG, a vote is not required. I am however advising the district of this change for my term as your DG.

I am aware that there were two nominations filed for region chair positions, one in region 10 and the other in Region 11. I have spoken with both Lions and informed them of my decision for my year and have found alternative duties for both. Zone chairs will work independently with minimal oversight from the VDGs. The 1VDG will look after region 10 zones and region 43W, the 2VDG will look after the zones of Region 11 and zones 43E and 43S.

This brings me to the second item, which will require a vote of cabinet – the redistribution of clubs in region 43. The constitution and by-laws states “Regions and zones shall be subject to change by the district governor, with the approval of the district cabinet and when it is in the best interests of the clubs, district and the association.” I have felt for some time that the distribution of clubs in region 43 is somewhat skewed and needs to be more equally spread.

I reached out to the research and long-range planning committee with some possible redistribution ideas seeking their comments. I also sent an e-mail to all of the clubs that could possibly be affected by any change to gain their opinions. Sadly, very few clubs responded but those who did, did so having given the proposals serious thought. In the end I am only proposing some minor changes and am seeking cabinet approval in accordance with the constitution.

I move that effective 1 July 2021 and for the Lions year 2021-22 that the following clubs in region 43 be redistributed as follows, Marmora-Crowe Valley will move from 43E to 43W and Frankford will move from 43E to 43S. This change will more equitably distribute the clubs within region 43 and align these two clubs more closely with their adjacent clubs.

Respectfully submitted

Lion Mark Kelso - 1VDG 2020/21

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