

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS

DISTRICT 5SW BUSINESS MEETING

SEPTEMBER 24, 2016

- 1.0 Business meeting called to order by District Governor Terry Peterson.
- 2.0 Pledge of allegiance recited.
- 3.0 A moment of silence was observed.
- 4.0 DG Terry introduced Guests: PID Marvin Chambers and Spouse Lion Lynn Chambers, PID John Daum and PID Bruce Schwartz.
- 5.0 Agenda: Add chartering a Bus to the 2017 International Convention. Motion by Lion Charles Edwards to approve the agenda, second by Lion Dusty Dustman Motion carried.
- 6.0 Roll Call of Clubs attending showed 16 Clubs present with 55 voting delegates.
- 7.0 Secretary Report of last years Annual Meeting Minutes-Minutes were emailed to Cabinet Members and Club Officers in October 2015 and again in September, 2016. DG Terry asked for any corrections. None noted. Minutes declared approved as presented.
- 8.0 Treasures report: Lion Richard Waits, District Treasure, noted that he feels that the District is financially sound. He reported that a revised budget had been approved by the Cabinet on Friday. He announced that 5 Clubs are in arrears with their Club Dues. 3 Clubs have made a donation to the Leonardo fund already. He brought the Lions up to date on the decision by the Cabinet to purchase a second CD for \$4,000 with some of the General Funds. It will be a 1 year maturity CD. DG Terry noted that the financial report will be filed for audit.
- 9.0 District Governors Report: District Governor Terry Peterson noted that 72 Lions and Guests have registered for the Fall Rally. He was very pleased with the attendance. He further noted that 4 of the 7 Zone Chairpersons were in attendance. Per International records, DG Terry noted that 24 Clubs in District 5SW have qualified and received the Lions International Centennial Club designation and banner patch. He mentioned that he felt that some Clubs may be confused about the qualifications for the Award. Centennial Projects do not have to be completely new projects each year, they can be a project that is done annually in one or more of the 4 Centennial areas. He noted that projects need to be reported to Lions International either electronically or by the older paper report in order to be eligible for the recognition. If Clubs need assistance with

reporting any information to International, please contact him and help will be given. DG Terry stated that International President Bob Corlew has asked Lions Clubs to accept his goal of ALL Clubs inducting 3 new members this year and that each District organize at least one new Club this Lions year. DG Terry acknowledges that these may be a challenge but that we should rise to that challenge. He has asked Lions Clubs to consider helping the community of Springfield following the big wind storm there. Gifts may be made thru the Bon Homme Lions Club. DG Terry reported that he is having DG Team Meetings this year. He has had 2 meetings so far and feels that they are a great way to give direction to the District. He plans to continue with these gatherings. On his District Governor visits, he is getting started. He has scheduled 15 visits in October, 10 in November and plans to be finished by the end of December. He stated that he is scheduling multiple visits per his trips out into the District. He will be contacting Club Presidents to set the visit dates. He has a goal of all Clubs making financial donations to several Lions supported organizations, Leader Dog, SD Lions Foundation, Dakota Sight & Health, Leonardo and Lions International Foundation. He noted that even small donations mean a lot to these organizations. He reported that he continues to publish the District Newsletter every 6 weeks. He thanks Clubs for sending him their information. PID Bruce Schwartz stood to recognize DG Terry for publishing the top Club Newsletter in MD5.

10.0 Cabinet Committee Chairpersons Reports:

Administrative Committees: 1st VDG Tim Brown stated that all of the Admin Chairpersons are doing excellent work and highlighted their reports that were presented at the Cabinet meeting on Friday. GMT Chair PCC Ken Wetz is planning to schedule a Lions International Membership and New Club workshop to our District during this year. In addition, he plans to conduct a Guiding Lions Workshop. These will help Lions Members develop Leadership and Mentoring skills. GLT Chair PID John Daum has offered any and all Clubs that he will help them with developing Leadership skills, also. New Club Success and LCI Development Chair PDG Doug Scheller is asking Lions Clubs to partner with local Businesses to serve people. He is encouraging Lions Clubs to recognize one of their own members with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Constitution and By Laws Chair Stan Anker noted that the District does not have a District Cabinet Policy Manual and that he DG Terry plan to write one. Some of the items within our By Laws may be moved to this Manual. Web Site Chair PDG Ted Pukas was recognized for doing a great job with our Web Page. He is including Convention Registrations on the site, which is very helpful. Club Administration Chair PDG Gary Johnson offers to help any Clubs with Membership and Administrative problems. Fall Rally Chair Lion Jan Endes Thanks everyone for attending this years Rally. Audit Chair Lion Rick Brady will be doing the

audit prior to the 2nd District Business meeting in January. Centennial Celebration Chairs PCC Ken Wetz and PDG Ken Gifford are asking all Clubs to participate in the MD5 Convention Parade next May. PID Bruce Schwartz addressed the Lions with current issues.

Service Committees: 2nd VDG Bea Gifford stated that she has Committee Chairs who are doing great things and thanked them for their work. Newsletter editor District Governor Terry Peterson reported that another Newsletter will be arriving soon. The Newsletters are scheduled to be printed every 6 weeks. He thanked Clubs for sending him the information for the publication. Sight & Vision Chair Lion Ken Gifford, PDG reported that he is working hard on screenings and that over 1000 kids have been screened so far this Lions year. Leader Dog Chair, Lion Donna Wetz reminded Clubs that she can get placemats, pencils and money cards from Leader Dog for Clubs to use for their events. She reminded Leader Clubs that they can qualify as Legacy Clubs for their support of Leader Dog. Those Clubs are Rapid City Rushmore, Spearfish, Ipswich and Newell. Environment Chairperson Lion Ken Miller reported that he is setting up a trip to one of the coal mines near Gillette. The tour will talk about the reclaiming requirements of mines. Leo Club Chairperson Nathan Chicoine has set a goal of organizing a new Leo Club in Rapid City. State Convention Co-Chair Geraldine Ray will be giving a report during the noon luncheon. Diabetes Chair Charles Edwards reported that he is working on a program which he can present to Clubs. Service Committee Chairperson, Lion Bea Gifford, thanked her committee chairs for their work.

Region Chairperson: PDG Galen Jones reported that 4 of the 7 Zone Chairs are attending the Fall Rally. He thanked them for attending. He reported that the Zone Chairs are scheduling their Zone Meetings or are setting up individual Club meetings. He is asking the Zone Chairs to ask Club Officers to respond to his and the other Cabinet Officers requests for information. Lion Galen is asking Clubs who may be having a 100 year celebration to maybe use the by-line of "Wouldn't you like to part of the 100 years". He encourages all Clubs to report activities to Lions International, especially any Legacy Projects.

11.0 Old Business: None.

12.0 New Business:

12.a Nominations for 2017-2018 District Governor: Motion by PDG Charles Edwards and that the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Lion Tim Brown. Second by PDG Julaine Arient-Rollman. Motion carried. Lion Tim Brown of the Sturgis Lions Club elected District Governor Elect.

12.b Nominations for 2016-2017 1st Vice District Governor: PDG Doug Scheller nominated Lion Bea Gifford for 1st Vice District Governor and that the Cabinet Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Lion Bea. Second by Lion Richard Waits. Motion carried. Lion Bea Gifford of the Rapid City Evening Star Lions Club elected.

12.c Nominations for 2016-20167 2nd Vice District Governor: PCC Ken Wetz announced that it gave him great pleasure to nominate Lion Linda Vollmer, President of the Newell Lions Club, for 2nd Vice District Governor and that the Cabinet Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for her. Second by Lion Kathi Pukas. Motion carried. Lion Linda Vollmer elected.

12.d 2016 Fall Rally bid—District Governor Lion Tim Brown announced that the Newell Lions Club has offered to host the 2017 Fall Rally. Their offered was accepted at the Cabinet Meeting.

12.e 2015 Rally report—Lion Jan Endes Thanked everyone for attending the Fall Rally. 74 Lions are registered for this years Rally. Programs will be held at 2 locations today.

12.f Bus to Chicago: DGE Tim Brown asked what Lions thought about the District chartering a bus to the 100th Lions Convention next summer in Chicago. 5SE is planning to do so and they have reserved their bus for a cost of \$140 per person. Granted that they are a few miles closer. DGE Tim is authorized to put a proposal together and send it out to Clubs to share with their Members.

12.g Leader Dog Kennel Project: PID Bruce Schwartz addressed the Lions on the successful fund raising project at Leader Dog.

12.h Alan Berdahl , Dakota Lions Sight and Health spoke on their year. They have had 630 donors which resulted in 961 recipients, of which 390 were given to people in S.D, N.D. and Minnesota; 457 were utilized in the United States, 384 went overseas and 120 were given out gratis. He end his discussion by stating that What Lions do, impact peoples lives.

12.i State Convention: Geraldine Ray reminded us that the dates are January 27 & 28 at the AmericInn Motel in Ft. Pierre and noted that this will be the best convention by a damn site.

12.j MD5 Convention: Co Chairs PDG Ken Gifford and PCC Ken Wetz reminded us of several important items about the Convention: Dates are May 17-20; held at the Lodge Motel in Deadwood; Signature event will be the Parade, the Chairs would like every Club to have an entry in the parade; 1st International Vice President will be attending our Convention; Golf will be held on Wednesday; Thursday will be a Spouses Tour and Wine & Chocolate event plus other Deadwood History tours. They encourage early registration as the Hotel has some limitations on their Banquet seating capacity. A GLT/GMT Summit will be held again this year. The Red Jacket ceremony will be held on Friday evening.

12.k Custer Leo Club Member Autumn Swenden was introduced.

12.l Awards: IPDG Charles Edwards announced several award winners for last year. Club of the Year Awards: 4th place, Ipswich (1254 pts), 3rd place, Piedmont Valley (1428 pts), 2nd place, Custer (1429 pts) and 1st place was Rapid City Rushmore Lions Club with 1688 points. Zone Chairpersons Excellence Awards: Lions Tim Brown, Illa Davis, Del Neumiester, Jan Endes and Region Chairperson PDG Gale Jones. Lions Award of Excellence given to PID John Daum, District GLT Chair. A Lions International Certificate of Appreciation was given to PDG Julaine Arient-Rollman. PDG Julaine Arient-Rollman was presented with a Progressive Melvin Jones pin from District 5SW for serving as our District Governor.

12.m 2nd VDG Bea Gifford spoke to the Lions about the need for a Club volunteer to host the 2018 Fall Rally.

13.0 International Director Comments: PID Marvin Chambers addressed the Lions. He congratulated the newly elected Officers for next year. In addition, he congratulated DG Terry for utilizing the District Officers Team concept this year. It is a very good way to share ideas and work together. He thanked the District for having a written Newsletter and commented that they really enjoy receiving it. He personally thanked DG Terry for volunteering to serve as the MD5 Public Relations Chairperson. He endorsed the Districts plan to conduct a new Club Workshop and Guiding Lions Workshop. He stated that he has seen them work in other Districts for starting new clubs. In the area of booking speakers for future Rallies and Conventions, he recommended that we plan forward at least 2 years in setting our locations. This will make it a lot easier to get International Speaker Guests lined up.

14.0 Upcoming Events:

14.a 2017 SD State Lions Convention, January 27-28, AmericInn, Ft. Pierre

14.b 2017 MD5 Convention, May 16-19, Deadwood, S.D.

14.c 2017 Fall Rally, Newell, September 22 & 23

14.d 2017 Lions International Convention—Chicago, Illinois, June 30-July 4

Adjournment: There being no further business, District Governor Terry declared the meeting adjourned

Lion Neil Vollmer

District Cabinet Secretary