

5SW 4TH District Cabinet Minutes

May 6, 2017

1. District Governor Lion Terry Peterson called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM at the Lions Building at the Pennington County Fairgrounds in Rapid City, SD. 20 Cabinet Members and Guests were in attendance.
2. The Flag Salute was lead by Cabinet Secretary Lion Neil Vollmer and a moment of silenced was observed.
3. Break for Committee Meetings was skipped.
4. Introductions of Guests: None.
5. Additions to the Agenda: None.
6. DG Comments and Report:

District Governor Lion Terry Thanked Everyone who served on the Cabinet this year and attending todays Cabinet meeting.

DG Terry stated that there were many successes in the District this year. He flet that the Fall Rally was definitely a success this year. He Thanked Lion Jan and the rest of her Committee. It was a Zone project.

DG Terry reported that he was able to visit all 34 of the District Clubs this year, with the last 2 in January and February. Most of the visits were done last Fall.

State Convention: DG Terry again stated that this Convention was well done and Thanked Lions Geraldine Ray and Gary Watzel for their efforts.

Newsletter: DG Terry feels that the Newsletter was very successful this year. He tried to get pictures and stories from each Club.

Environmental Project: DG Terry Thanked Lion Kenneth Miller for putting together a really interesting tour to the Wyoming Coal Field. It was well attended and very informational.

Guiding Lion Training: This was one of DG Terrys goals for the year and was accomplished when PCC Ken Wetz conducted one in Newell recently. This is a precursor to starting a new Club in the District.

District Governor Team Meetings: DG Terry Thanked everyone who had attended them. He feels that they have been worked very well and recommended that Future Governors continue them. He stated that they have been a great effort for the District.

District Membership: Governor Terry noted that the Mines Campus Club dropped 25 Members from their role recently. Prior to that, the District was at a breakeven point.

Lion Terry also reported that the average age of our Members dropped by 2 years so far this year. Average age now is 67 years of age.

Zone Training: This happened this year, Thanks to PID John Daums efforts. 5 Zone Chairs attended.

Club Officer Training: This is starting today and will continue with Training offered in several locations around the District. Lions Ken Wetz and Neil Vollmer are conducting them.

Areas of concern: DG Terry noted 2 areas of concern, both have to do with unpaid International and District dues by 2 Clubs.

Club of the Year contest: Rapid City Rushmore Club has been selected to represent our District in the MD5 Club of the Year Contest. This was passed on 10 months of Activities. The 5SW contest continues until June 30th.

District Speech Contest: DG Terry reported that there were 2 entries in the Contest. This is a first to have a District Contest, which Lion Terry is happy to report. Entries were from the Spearfish and Newell Lions Clubs.

Award: District Governor Terry presented a Guiding Lion Certificate to 2nd VDG Bea Gifford.

MD5 Council Chairperson: DG Terry announced that he had been elected to be the Chairperson for MD5 for this upcoming year. He was congratulated by those attending.

DG Terry then asked DGE Tim for comments. Lion Tim noted that he is getting his Cabinet organized and Thanked those who are willing to serve. He noted that he feels that he and DG Terry have worked well together this past year.

7. Cabinet Secretary Report:

Cabinet Secretary Neil stated that he really didn't have that much to report. A few Clubs have not submitted any Membership or Activity reports for the year. Lion Ted Pukas stated that he had received an email from LCIF asking Clubs to appoint a Club LCIF

Coordinator and asked whether other Clubs had received such a notice. One other Lion stated that he, too, had received that email. Secretary stated that he knew nothing of such a Club position. Motion by Lion Geraldine Ray to accept the minutes of the January Cabinet meeting and the current Secretary report. Second by PDG Chuck Edwards. Motion carried.

8. Treasures Report:

Lion Richard Waits was unable to attend today. He did prepare the reports and they were handed out. Lion Neil briefly discussed them. Some discussion occurred on the Convention Fund item. It was noted that most of the District Clubs made a donation to the Leonardo Fund. A question was presented on whether the District was looking at a dues increase. No one present ventured an answer. Motion made by PDG Kden Gifford to File the report for audit, second by Lion Rick Brady. Motion carried.

9. Committee Reports:

Administrative Committee: District Governor Elect Tim Brown:

GMT—PCC Ken Wetz reported that a Guiding Lion Training session will be held in Newell later in May. Would do one in Rapid City, if requested and interest was there. New Officer Training will be held today following the Cabinet Meeting and in Sturgis and Mobridge next week. Lion Ken requested that All Clubs add just 1 new Lion yet this year. This would remove our District deficit. He also noted that LI has a hand out of 6 elements of a Successful Club. A very worthwhile hand out.

Web Site—PDG Ted Pukas encouraged Clubs to use it more with Club happenings and stories.

District Administrator—PDG Gary Johnson reported that he has been working with Clubs which have past due with their International and District dues.

Fall Rally—Lion Jan thanked everyone for coming and having fun at the Rally. The Committee worked hard in organizing it.

LCIF—Chairperson PDG Doug Scheller has visited 14 Clubs this Spring and plans to continue with the visitations. He is encouraging all Clubs to consider honoring one of their Club Members with a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Audit—Lion Rick noted that the audit will be done after July 1.

Newsletter—DG Terry stated that he has been asked to be the Editor again next year and will be doing it. He has appreciated the Clubs who submitted material for him to use.

Leader Dog—Lion Donna Wetz reported that 24 of our District Clubs have made a contribution to Leader Dog. 5SW Clubs have contributed over \$11,000 this year. He noted that she has Leader Dog placemats for Clubs to use for meals. If anyone would like some, just contact her. She is also available to present a program on Leader Dog, which she recently did for a Homemakers Extension Clubs Meeting.

Youth—Lion Nathan Chicoine has been working on organizing a Leo Club in Rapid City. He has ran into several roadblocks, but is not deterred and is moving forward. He also reported the MD5 Youth Exchange Camp will be held near Drake, N. D. on July 16-20. He knows of 2 Clubs who plan to send a youth. He is working on a transportation ride share plan.

Diabetes—PDG Chuck Edwards has made Club visits with a program on Diabetes and is available to do more. Please contact him if you are interested.

Sight & Vision—PDG Ken Gifford reported that over 60,000 pairs of glasses have been collected in South Dakota last year. He asked Lions to make it known that we collect hearing aides also. The Vision Van is now available in 5SW. About 15,000 people have been screened this year, most of which are kids.

Environmental—Lion Ken Miller announced that he is lining up another Tour into Wyoming for this Fall. The Tour will go to the Dry Forks Power Station which features up to date pollution controls, it is also a Test Center for converting carbons to other useable products. He reminded Lions of the Environmental Contest that is an ongoing project.

State Lions Convention—Lion Geraldine Ray reported that Club reports have been completed and filed.

Service Committee: 1st VDGE Bea Gifford Thanked all of the Service Committee Chairs for submitting reports this year. She announced that the 2019 State Convention will be hosted by the Spearfish Lions Club.

Zone Chairpersons Report: PDG Galen Jones chairperson.

Zone 3-Lion Lon Carrier reported that he has attended some of the Club meetings and has enjoyed them.

Zone 2-Lion Linda Vollmer has attempted Zone Meetings, but with mixed success. She has also visited all of the Clubs except 1.

Zone 6-Lion Jan Endes has visited the Clubs in her Zone also. It is hard to get Clubs together.

Zone 7-Collin Keeler has visited 2 of his Clubs and has been staying in contact with them via email.

9. Old Business:

None.

Cabinet recessed for lunch.

10. New Business:

a.) SD School of Mines Lions Club is delinquent with their International and District dues. DG Terry is working with them to get payment made.

b.) Club Reports: PDG Gary Johnson is working closely with 3 Clubs who are past due with their reports. Progress is being made.

c.) MD 5 Convention Program: PDG Ken Gifford reported that this venture started 5 years ago when 5SW Lions, especially from the Hills area, began planning. It has been a big job and he thanked PCC Ken Wetz for serving as the Co-Chairperson.

He highlighted several items: The International 1st Vice President won't be arriving until rather late Friday evening. Parade—Some Leo Club Members are needed to lead the Parade and to carry the torch. Parade begins at 10, a viewing stand for the International Guest and His Spouse will be set up at the Franklin Hotel. 11 5SW Clubs will have a float in the parade. A few floats from N. D. and Saskatchewan are expected. 15 dignitaries are planning to attend. Golf Outing is planned for Wednesday. Historical Tour of Deadwood is set for Wednesday and a Spouses Tour will be held on Friday. Much is planned.

d.) MD5 Contests: The Rushmore Lions Club was selected as our Districts entry in the Club of the Year Contest, Belle Fourche Lions Club was selected for the Web Site contest and Rushmore Lions Club was selected for the Newsletter contest.

e.) 5SW/5SE Joint Directory: No report.

f.) USA/CANADA Forum expenses for 1st VDGE: Motion by PCC Ken Wetz to allow \$1000 for expenses for 1st VDG Bea Gifford to attend the Forum, second by Lion Ken Miller. Motion carried.

g.) DGE expenses for Spouse attendance to Lions International Convention: Motion by PCC Ken Wetz, second by PDG Chuck Edwards to allow \$1000 for those expenses. Motion carried.

h.) MD5 Youth Exchange Camp travel expenses: Lion Nathan Chicoine reported that he is working on a plan to take the 5SW participants to the Camp. He will contact the Campers.

i.) Great Plains Lions Institute—This years Institute will be held in Missouri this year. This will be the last year for MD5 to be a sponsor and participant.

11. District Governor Elect Report: None.

12. Upcoming Events:

- a) 2017 MD5 Convention, Deadwood, S. D., May 17-20
- b) 2017 International Convention, Chicago, Il., June 28-30-July 4
- c) 2017 5SW Fall Rally, Newell, October 6 & 7
- d) 2017 SE Fall Forum, Vermillion, September 30
- e) 2018 SD State Lions Convention, Huron, January
- f) USA/CANADA Forum, Portland, Or., September 20-23

13. Adjournment: DG Terry wrapped up the Cabinet Meeting by Thanking everyone who has served on the Cabinet this year and Thanked those who were able to attend today. With that, DG Terry declared the meeting adjourned.

Lion Neil Vollmer

Cabinet Secretary