

# DISTRICT 6SE CABINET MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2017

## COMMUNITY CHURCH, COLORADO CITY HOST CLUB:

## COLORADO CITY/RYE LIONS CLUB

**OPENING:** District Governor Rick Calhoun called the meeting to order at 9:34 am, and Lion Kris Lettenmaier from the Host Club gave the invocation. Lion Ted Holmes from the Avondale/ Vineland Lions Club led the Pledge of Allegiance. DG Rick welcomed all Lions in attendance to the first District Cabinet Meeting of the Lions year. He thanked the Colorado City/Rye Lions Club for hosting the meeting and providing the lunch.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** DG Rick introduced all the Past Council Chairmen present as well as all the Past District Governors present. He then introduced Lion Bob Flinn from the Host Club who led the meeting attendees in singing several old time favorite songs.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:** Club Roll Call – 50 District 6-SE Lions were present representing 13 clubs.

**Minutes of the last Cabinet Meeting** – Moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the cabinet meeting of 04/22/17 as submitted. Motion passed without objection. Minutes from the last cabinet meeting are on file, and copies of them are available to interested Lions.

**Treasurer's Report** – District Cabinet Treasurer Steve Shirley was not present and DG Rick presented the current financial reports for the district including the proposed budget for 2017-2018. He noted that the proposed budget includes consideration of the increase in dues to \$10.00 per member that allows for a small increase in budget items for GLT Coordinator, GMT Coordinator, and the new GST Coordinator as well as the two Vice Governors. He reminded meeting attendees that the July District Semi-Annual Dues notice have been mailed to all the clubs and payment should be made as soon as possible. It was moved and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report and Proposed Budget as presented. Motion passed without objection. The Budget and Financial Reports are on file.

**District Governor's Report** – DG Rick reported that his visitations are underway having completed five club visits and inducting 4 new members in the process. He invited clubs to contact him and schedule their club visitation. He highlighted his attendance at the LCI Convention in Chicago and reported that his District Governor Training Class managed to raise approximately \$7,000.00 for LCIF. He reported that LCI has added Diabetes Awareness and Prevention, along with Pediatric Cancer prevention as two new service goals in addition to those already on the books. As such he noted that he has appointed Lion Art Unwin from the Avondale/Vineland Lions Club as the District Chairman for Diabetes Awareness and Prevention, and he introduced Lion Art. He also noted that LCI has added the position of Global Service Team Coordinator to the list of cabinet level position; that he has appointed PDG Eileen Sanderson to this position. He announced that the next District Cabinet Meeting will be on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at the Colorado Lions Camp and that the meeting will combine business with a work time at the camp. Finally he recognized and introduced the Zone Chairmen who were present.

**1st Vice District Governor Report** – 1st VDG Sharon Agun presented her written report that included her induction of two new members to the Limon Lions Club; helping the new officers in the Hugo Lions Club get up to speed on their responsibilities; and attending a Hearing Dogs event in July. She reported on the current status of the Lions Day at the Sky Sox baseball game in Colorado Springs in September. She asked that Lions wear their vests to all club events as a method of identifying Lions in service. Finally she asked that clubs notify her when a club member needs to receive a greeting card of condolence so that she can send one out. Her written report is on file

**2nd Vice District Governor Report** – 2nd VDG Terry Milsom presented a verbal report that highlighted his progress in learning the responsibilities of his position. He reported that he will attend the Paul Barbour Leadership Institute at the Colorado Lions Camp in September. He thanked all the Lions for their confidence in him to select him as 2nd Vice District Governor; that he considers it an honor and privilege to serve.

**50/50 Raffle** – DG Rick announced that a 50/50 Raffle would be held with proceeds going to LCIF. He directed members of the Host Club to conduct the raffle. Upon completion of the raffle, \$180.00 was raised with \$90.00 going to LCIF and \$90.00 going to the raffle winner. PCC Ron Smith won the raffle, accepting only \$40.00 so that \$50.00 could be added to the amount for LCIF for a total of \$140.00 to LCIF.

## PRESENTATION ON LIONS CLUBS OUTREACH TO HISPANIC NEIGHBORS

Rose Vest, Certified Lay Minister with the United Methodist Church made an interesting and informative presentation on ways in which Lions Clubs can effectively recruit Hispanic people into Lionism as they are an underutilized nationality in the organization. DG Rick made documents available to cabinet attendees that highlighted the presentation.

## PRESENTATION ON GLOBAL LEADERSHIP

District GLT Coordinator, IPDG Cathy Valenzuela made a presentation to cabinet meeting attendees that included emphasis on membership orientation and retention as a key ingredient in Lions leadership and she offered to train clubs on how to use this tool. She highlighted LCI's "Blue Print for Success" as a valuable tool for clubs to use. She encouraged emerging club leaders to attend the Paul Barbour Leadership Institute as well as the USA/Canada Leadership Forum. She concluded by adding that Lions Club Members need to be proud of being a Lion and that she will offer more strategies for leadership success at the next cabinet meeting.

## BUCK-A-BRAG

Eight clubs participated in the Buck-A-Brag that raised \$19.00 in the process.

## BREAK IN THE PROCEEDINGS ZONE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Zone A Report** -- Zone A Chairman Lion Dave Prejean presented his written report which is on file.

**Colorado Lions Camp** Lion Dave Prejean, President of the Camp Board of Trustees presented a verbal report explaining that a family of one the campers has made a \$35,000.00 gift to the camp for updates to dormitories and other buildings at the camp. He explained that the Colorado Springs bingo remains an important funding for camp operations. He encouraged clubs to visit the camp and see the changes that the new camp director is making.

**Leader Dogs** – Chairperson PDG Eileen Sanderson presented her written report noting that a Denver resident is a recipient of a Leader Dog from the school. Her written report is on file.

**GST Coordinator** – Coordinator PDG Eileen Sanderson presented her written report which explained the duties of this newly created position by LCI. She provided handouts to meeting attendees asking that each club identify

their two best service projects and return this information to her and that she will endeavor to help clubs meet established LCI goals for service. She concluded her report by reminding meeting attendees that LCI has established an ambitious goal of providing service to 200 million people each year by 2021. Her written report is on file.

**LCIF** – District Chairman PCC Bob Selle presented his written report noting among other things that all clubs need to appoint a LCIF Club Coordinator who will receive important information about LCIF and that LCI's Centennial Commemorative Coin is an excellent way to support LCIF. His written report is on file.

**Colorado Lions Foundation** – President Bryan Cooper presented his written report noting among other things that the Foundation has received IRS approval as a public charity retroactive to 2012; that the cost for an Ann Sullivan Award is now \$200.00 instead of \$100.00 so as to make way for a new Centennial Award to be given for a \$100.00 donation. He noted that this new award will feature a nice Certificate for the recipient along with a handsome lapel pin. His written report is on file.

**RMLEB** – Eye Bank board member Lion Joanne Cook presented her written report noting among other things that the eye bank ended the fiscal year with a record distribution of corneas for transplant; that the Eye Surgery Fund is still accepting applications, and that as always the RMLEB staff and board members are available to provide presentations to local clubs. Her written report is on file. **Used Eye Glasses** – Chairman Fred Trimmer presented his verbal report noting that the program will no longer accept single lenses; broken or plastic frames; or cases that are not in good shape

**KidSight** – Chairman Fred Trimmer presented his verbal report highlighting that more than 53,000 screenings have taken place in Colorado.

**Diabetes Awareness and Prevention** – Chairman Art Unwin presented his verbal report giving tips on how people can recognize signs that indicate a person is diabetic. He noted that being a diabetic himself, he is happy to be the coordinator of this LCI endorsed program for district.

## **OTHER BUSINESS AND QUESTIONS**

DG Rick Calhoun gave meeting attendees a chance to ask questions and/or discuss other topics. No questions or topics were presented for consideration. He concluded by reminding meeting attendees that the next District Cabinet meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2017 at the Colorado Lions Camp.

**ADJOURN**; There being no further business to come before the Cabinet, DG Rick adjourned the District Cabinet Meeting at 11:47 am.

**LUNCH WAS SERVED.**

Respectfully Submitted,

PDG Tom Tucker, District Cabinet Secretary