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Minutes of District 6SE held February 13, 2021 at Vineland United Methodist Church.

Lion DG Betsy Denney called the meeting to order at 9:58 am. The invocation was given by PCC Rick Calhoun. The pledge of allegiance was led by Lion Jon Stone. District Governor Betsy then made introductions of all Lions that were in attendance. Several Lions from other districts were logged on including Council Chair Michelle McGowan as well as District 6C 1st VDG PDG Ted Peterson, DG 6W Paul Steinfort and 1st VDG JoAnn Steinfort.

Attendance was taken by Cabinet Secretary PCC Ron Smith. A total of 24 Lions from the district representing eight clubs were in attendance or online. There were 5 presidents and 4 secretaries present.

ACTION ITEMS:

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes of the last meeting held November 7, 2020 were emailed to everyone by Cabinet Secretary PCC Dr. Ron Smith. Cabinet Secretary Ron asked for a motion to waive the reading of the minutes. Lion Tomalee Young made the motion. Region Chair Geoff Clothier seconded the motion. Passed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by PCC Bob Selle and seconded by PCC Rick Calhoun. Motion passed and minutes were accepted as presented.

Financial Reports: District Treasurer Lion Tomalee Young gave the treasurers report and asked if there were any questions. Reports were emailed to the cabinet. Balance as of 2/13/2021 is \$16,589.20 Lion Tomalee also presented to the cabinet a report showing which clubs have paid their 2nd half of the 20-21 dues. Those still outstanding are Colorado Springs Security, Colorado Springs T-Gap, Cotopaxi, El Paso County Tri-Lakes, Flagler, Las Animas, Limon, Rocky Ford and Springfield. Trinidad and Wiley have not paid the 1st half either. Cabinet Secretary Ron will send a second statement to those clubs. A motion to accept the reports as submitted was made by PDG Cathy Valenzuela. Seconded by Lion Jeff Moffat and passed.

Old Business: Nothing

New Business:

1. MD6 and the Denver Den Lions Club are promoting the installation of Eyeglass Collection Metal Boxes that resemble mail boxes. Attempting to get an LCIF grant and also use some money from the used eyeglass fund. Could cost clubs \$150 per metal box.
2. District Convention will be in Cañon City April 16 and 17. Friday night will be a gathering at Pizza Madness. Meetings will be held at Brookside Community Center with lunch provided by the Fremont County Cattlewomen. Dinner will be that evening at the Abbey Events Center. A signup form will be sent out soon.
3. Nominating Committee – Lions are needed for the following positions. District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor, 2nd Vice District Governor, Colorado Lions Camp – two positions (one 2-year & one 3-year), Colorado Lions Foundation one position, Schuyler Scholarship Committee – one position, Colorado Lions KidSight – one position. Letters and endorsements have been received for 1st Vice District Governor – Lion Geoff Clothier, Colorado Lions Foundation – Lion Jon Stone, Colorado Lions Camp – Lion Jim Hitt. All letters of intent and letters of endorsement must be received by the Cabinet Secretary and District Governor by March 16th. Please consider serving in these necessary positions. Credentials and the sample ballot will be sent to all clubs right after that deadline.
4. State Convention – The entire convention will be virtual. Some of the speeches will be recorded ahead of time. Details are still being worked out. Voting will be online using a service call Election Buddy. Cabinet secretaries are compiling a spreadsheet of delegates from the district to be sent to state so that they can vote online. PCC Ron asks all Lions to get their delegate forms to him by April 1st as he needs to consolidate and send to state.

REPORTS:

District Governor 6SE: DG Betsy would still like to get out to the clubs before the end of the year. Please contact her so that she can arrange for a club visit. DG Betsy agreed to serve another year as district governor as we have no candidate. PCC Ron will contact legal to make sure it is ok, but CC Michelle McGowan said she believes that it is and just cannot serve more than two consecutive terms. We are still in need of a 2nd Vice District Governor candidate.

Global Leadership Team: Lion PDG Cathy Valenzuela – Gave an oral report. It takes all of us. Be proactive and ask Lions to step up. Encourage new Lions to attend the USA/Canada Lions Leadership forum which will be in Des Moines this year. LionsVirtual.org is a good resource in these times. There is also a new app for phones. Also go to the Lions Learning Center. LCI has provided so much great training to help us. We need to take advantage of it.

Global Membership Team: Lion David Prejean – absent - no report

Global Service Team: Lion John Maxwell – no report

Zone Chairs: No reports submitted

Region Chair: – Lion Geoff Clothier – no report

LCIF: PCC Bob Selle submitted a written report. Highlights of his report included discussing Campaign 100. Less has been collected due to COVID-19. Therefore, LCIF has extended the program to four years so it will end June 30, 2022. Money is greatly needed. The goal is to raise \$300 million to serve 200 million people. Consider being a participating club. Set a dollar amount per member and then raise that either from members or fundraisers. Everything helps. Please contact PCC Bob to schedule a presentation at your club.

Colorado Lions Camp: PCC Bob Selle submitted a written report. The new Camp Director is Erin Newport. She has a vast amount of experience and will be a great asset. The new Business Manager is Angela Wolcott. The camp has closed the post office box, so the mailing address is the physical address: 28541 HWY 67N, Woodland Park, CO 80863. The Sunday night grilling schedule is out. All but two Sundays are needed.

Colorado Lions Foundation: Lion Bryan Cooper was online. No written report submitted. Lion Bryan stated that they made a change in their bylaws that stated a trustee must have had a district position prior to running for a trustee position. That is no longer the case. DG Penn Street and our MD 6 IT Chair John Spice have helped to make the CLF website accessible to visually impaired individuals. This can be done from your club website. If interested contact Lion John: spicec@comcast.net. Don't forget about the Anne Sullivan and Humanitarian Awards. Also be sure and promote the Schuyler Scholarship which is \$2,500. Applications are available online. Due by April 15th. Remember donations to CLF are entirely tax deductible. Donor applications are also available online.

Schuyler Scholarship: Lion Don Ross – has sent information to fifty high school counselors

Colorado Lions Kid Sight: no report – still need a director

RMLEB: Lion Wes Dorman – absent – No report.

RMLEIF: Lion DG Betsy reported that the institute did get an LCIF grant to help equip the fourth floor.

Childhood Cancer: No report

Constitution & By Laws: No report

Diabetes Awareness: Lion Harvey Unwin – watch your numbers and exercise.

District Convention: PCC Ron reported that Friday night April 16th will be at Pizza Madness. Then Saturday the meeting will be at the Brookside Community Center with lunch provided by the Fremont County Cattlewomen. The Abbey Events Center has been booked for the banquet on Saturday night April 17th, 2021. It is also possible that we will have a wine tasting at the Abbey.

Environment: No report

Eye Glass Collection: Lion Steve Herndon reported that he is willing to get the glasses from clubs as they collect them. They will come and get them wherever.

Hunger: No report

IT: No report.

PDG association: No report

Public Relations & Lions Information: No report

Vision: No report

Youth Services: Lion Nicole Richards – information on the speech contest has been sent out to all clubs. If you did not receive it, please contact Nicole: nrichards@cotopaxiire3.org.

Door Prizes: A drawing for Valentine door prizes was held. Many attendees were thankful for the prize they won as it would keep them in good standing their sweetheart.

Club Buck a Brag: PDG Sharon Agun said that there is a possibility of a new club in Stratton. She also has been working with Olney Springs and they are coming along. Canon City Noon said they will be having their 100th Charter Night in November and PIP Joe Preston will be their international guest. They are doing several projects during the year to celebrate such as donating 100 pints of blood in April, making 100 flag holders for veteran graves in May etc. Cotopaxi is still doing a food drive to help people affected by COVID. 15-20 Lions members are involved with the project. Several bucks were collected for personal brags.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 am. The next cabinet meeting will be April 17, 2021 @ 10:00 am at the Brookside Community Center.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Smith".

PCC Dr. Ron Smith, Cabinet Secretary