

# Minutes

## 2nd 6SE CABINET MEETING, Pueblo, Colorado

November 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order by DG Maria Herndon at 1:05 pm.

The invocation was given by PCC Rick Calhoun

The pledge was led by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa Schlotterhausen

Introductions DG Lion Maria Herndon. She recognized the PDG's and PCC's in attendance. We were also pleased to have Council Chair K. Scott Hayward, Lion Penny Hayward, IPDG David McInly, PCC Michelle McGowan and PDG2 Kenneth Moore in attendance.

Snacks were provided by the Pueblo Charter Lions Club.

Attendance was taken by PCC Dr. Ron Smith. Twenty-three Lions from six clubs attended including three presidents and three secretaries. See attachment 1.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**Minutes:** Minutes were emailed from the Special meeting in June and the August cabinet meeting. Lion Jon Stone made a motion to accept the minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa Schlotterhausen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Reports** (to be accepted) Lion Jon Stone – Lion Jon Stone presented the financial reports and the updated budget that was discussed at the first cabinet meeting. He has transferred the accounting back to Quickbooks. A motion to accept the financials and budget was made by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa Schlotterhausen. Second by PCC Ron Smith. Motion carried. See Attachment 2 and 3

### **TRAINING:**

Several Lions in attendance gave their impressions of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum which was held in Reno, Nevada. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa stressed how important that multiple years of planning for succession at the club and district are important. That was her main take away.

### **REPORTS:**

**District Governor 6SE DG Maria Herndon** – Stressing marketing. Will have an award for the best marketing. Be sure and submit your ideas.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor 6SE Lisa Schlotterhausen** – Has visited 7 clubs. She also has finished her Guiding Lion training and is working with zone chairs. Continuing on her 1<sup>st</sup> VDG training as well and is doing officer training as well.

**Global Leadership Team coordinator PDG Cathy Valenzuela** – absent – submitted report – see attachment 4.

Global Service Team coordinator IPDG Geoff Clothier – absent - no written report.

Global Membership Team coordinator PDG Sharon Agun – absent - no written report – A canvassing has begun in Trinidad, CO and they are about ready to do an information meeting.

Zone Chairs Lion John Davis/1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa Schlotterhausen – no report

Lion Fran Holliday – no report submitted – Has visited some clubs.

LCIF District coordinator PCC Bob Selle – written report submitted – see attachment 5

Past District Governor Association PDG Cathy Valenzuela -see attachment 6

### **Elected Representatives:**

Colorado Lions Camp Lion Jim Hitt ('24)/Lion Art Unwin ('24) – no report – Camp Report – see attachment 7

Colorado Lions Foundation Lion Jon Stone ('24) - see attachment 8

Schuyler Scholarship Committee Lion Tomalee Young ('26)/Lion Suzanne Cooper ('24) – absent – no report submitted

Colorado Lions Kidsight Vacant ('24)/Lucille Reimer ('24) – absent – no report submitted

Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank (RMLEB) – PCC Ron Smith – report submitted – see attachment 9

Rocky Mtn Lions Eye Institute Foundation (RMLEIF) Lion Danielle Van Esselstine ('25)/PDG Betsy Denney ('26) – absent – no report submitted

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#### **Committees:**

Childhood Cancer Lion Catherine Tempel – absent - no report – newsletter available on the district website:

[District 6SE - Lions e-District Houses](#)

Colorado School for the Deaf & Blind Liaison – Lion Terry Darby has agreed to be the liaison. DG Maria met with him and had lunch at the school. Email available on the district website: [District 6SE - Lions e-District Houses](#)

Constitution & Bylaws DG Maria Herndon/1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lisa Schlotterhausen – Changes are being made and we will have some items to vote on at the convention.

Diabetes Awareness – no report

District Convention – Will be in Calhan – April 12-13<sup>th</sup>. Please see attachment 10

Environment – no report

Eyeglass Collection Lion Steve Herndon

Hunger – PCC Bob Selle – written report submitted – see attachment 11

With no further business, DG Maria adjourned the meeting at 2:17 pm

Respectfully submitted,

PCC Lion Ron Smith

Cabinet Secretary

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### ATTACHMENT 1:

#### Attendance 2nd Cabinet Meeting

Club	Pres	Secretary	others	Total
CLUB				
Avondale/Vineland	1	1	0	2
Calhan	0	0	4	4
Can. City Noon	1	0	4	5
Colo City/Rye	0	1	2	3
CS Downtown	0	0	0	0
CS Nob Hill	0	0	0	0
CS Security	0	0	0	0
Cotopaxi	0	0	0	0
El Paso Tri-Lakes	0	0	0	0
Flagler	0	0	0	0
Florence	0	0	0	0
Hugo	0	0	0	0
Lamar	0	0	0	0
Las Animas	0	0	0	0
Limon	0	0	0	0
Olney Springs	0	0	0	0
Pueblo Charter	1	1	6	8
Rocky Ford	0	0	0	0
Springfield	0	0	0	0
Swink	0	0	0	0
Wiley	0	0	1	1
Woodland Park	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>

### Attachment 2

District 6 SE Treasurer Report to the 6 SE Cabinet Meeting Held on November 18, 2023, Pueblo, Colorado  
Transfer of the Treasurer's responsibilities has been completed. The account structure used for the draft budget proposal was used to build a file in QuickBooks. This will allow financial reporting using standard formats – balance sheet, income and expense statement, etc. The draft budget was included allowing performance against the budget. Attached are financial reports for the District for the period July – October 2023. Respectively submitted November 18, 2023, Lion Jon P. Stone -

### Attachment 3

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2:13 PM  
11/06/23  
Accrual Basis

### Lions District 6-SE Profit & Loss Budget Overview July 2023 through June 2024

	Jul '23 - Jun 24
<b>Income</b>	
40100 · Previous Year Checkbook Balance	16,331.20
41000 · Program Income	
41100 · Membership Dues	11,927.25
41200 · Buck-A-Brag	50.00
41300 · Melvin Jones Contributions	1,000.00
41900 · Interest	2.00
<b>Total 41000 · Program Income</b>	<b>12,979.25</b>
42000 · District Convention Income	
42100 · Registration	2,250.00
42200 · 60/50 Raffle	500.00
42400 · Tail Twister	50.00
42700 · Zone Chair Training Grant	500.00
<b>Total 42000 · District Convention Income</b>	<b>3,300.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>32,610.45</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
50000 · Program Expenses	
51000 · 1st VDG Expenses	
51100 · 1VDG Training/Travel/Visits	400.00
51200 · 1VDG USA/Canada Forum	585.00
<b>Total 51000 · 1st VDG Expenses</b>	<b>985.00</b>
52000 · 2nd VDG Expenses	
52100 · 2VDG Training/Travel/Visits	400.00
52200 · 2VDG USA/Canada Forum	585.00
<b>Total 52000 · 2nd VDG Expenses</b>	<b>985.00</b>
53000 · District Governor Expenses	
53100 · DG USA/Canada Forum	585.00
53200 · DG Misc. Expenses	300.00
53300 · DG Gifts and Pins	700.00
53400 · Melvin Jones	1,000.00
<b>Total 53000 · District Governor Expenses</b>	<b>2,585.00</b>
54000 · District Convention Expenses	
54100 · 50/50 Raffle	500.00
54200 · Convention Logistics	1,100.00
54300 · Int'l Dir Humanitarian Award	500.00
54400 · District Awards -	400.00
54500 · Donations to Charities	50.00
54600 · Zone Chair Training	500.00

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### Lions District 6-SE Profit & Loss Budget Overview July 2023 through June 2024

	Jul '23 - Jun 24
Total 54000 · District Convention Expenses	3,050.00
55000 · Global Action Team Expenses	
55100 · Global Leadership Team	600.00
55200 · Training Scholarship	5,000.00
55300 · Global Membership Team	100.00
55400 · Global Service Team	100.00
55500 · Eyeglass Recycle	250.00
<b>Total 55000 · Global Action Team Expenses</b>	<b>6,050.00</b>
56000 · Cabinet Meeting Expense	
56100 · District Governor Meetings	150.00
56200 · 1st District Cabinet Meeting	200.00
56300 · 2nd District Cabinet Meeting	200.00
56400 · 3rd District Cabinet Meeting	200.00
<b>Total 56000 · Cabinet Meeting Expense</b>	<b>750.00</b>
57000 · Operating Expenses	
57100 · Annual Periodic Report to SOS	10.00
57200 · Website/Internet Expenses/	12.00
57300 · Legal and Professional Fees	50.00
57400 · District Officers Expenses	200.00
57500 · Office Administrative/Printing	100.00
57700 · State Directory	200.00
57800 · State Dues	7,277.25
57900 · Other Operating Expenses	300.00
<b>Total 57000 · Operating Expenses</b>	<b>8,149.25</b>
58000 · Youth Outreach Services	
58100 · Peace Poster	50.00
58200 · Speech Contest	500.00
58300 · Speech Contest Winner Travel	100.00
<b>Total 58000 · Youth Outreach Services</b>	<b>650.00</b>
<b>Total 50000 · Program Expenses</b>	<b>23,204.25</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>23,204.25</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>9,406.20</b>

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6SE Global Leadership Team Coordinator Cathy Valenzuela Report November 18, 2023

Training for current and emerging leaders has been offered and promoted through multiple communications via our district Facebook page, emails to district leadership and all club presidents and secretaries, and in person. We had five members of District 6SE attend the USA/Canada Forum in Reno, and want to encourage members of our district to plan now to attend the next one in Louisville, KY. The dates are September 5th to 7th, 2024 and the district has set money aside to offer \$500 scholarships for first time attendees to help cover the cost of your registration and room! Put this on your calendar now! <https://lionsforum.org/> Zone chairs and potential zone chairs have been contacted, and we have completed one training program in Wiley, CO. We are planning for a zone chair training at the district convention and have received a grant from LCI thanks to FVDG Lisa. Our training in Wiley packed a lot of information into one evening! With a large group that included Lions from Wiley, Lamar, and Swink clubs, we held a "Building a Vision" session with a call to action for each club to set SMART goals and create action steps based on what they identified as areas for improvement. Then we broke out for Club President/Vice President training in one room led by FVDG Lisa, and Secretary/Treasurer training in another with me. A wide range of experience was represented in each session, so mostly what we covered was how to access resources to support leaders in their roles. Questions were answered and e-books handed out. I invite all zones to set dates for a visit to let us bring learning to you! Thank you. PDG Cathy

#### Attachment 5

Lions Clubs International Foundation District 6-SE Cabinet Meeting November 18, 2023 "Giving Tuesday" is coming up on November 28th. Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) would be the perfect organization to donate to on "Giving Tuesday". If you have not been able to set a date to donate to LCIF, now you can set that date to donate for November 28, 2023. "Serving a World in Need" is the motto for the Lions Club International Foundation. Disasters around the world never seem to end. War in Gaza and Ukraine, wildfires in the Hawaii, Greece and Tunisia, flooding in the United States, Bangladesh, Colombia, India, Japan, Korea, and Slovenia, and hurricanes in Bangladesh, Brazil, China, and Philippines. When humanitarian crises of devastating destruction strike, like those mentioned, the Lions are ready to help. In the months of July and August, LCIF awarded 45 disaster relief grants totaling \$485,000. For District 6-SE to do its part, I am asking every club to donate at least \$10 per member and each member to donate at least \$5. All money donated to LCIF will go to needs around the world and on occasion LCIF funds have come back to Colorado to help with wildfires and tornados. So far, no funds have come back for hurricanes or wars, but nobody knows who will need help next. I would like to visit your club and your LCIF Club Coordinator. I can provide your club with the amounts each member has donated toward a Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF) Award, the number of MJFs past and present from your club, and how much money your club has in undesignated funds toward a MJF Award. Many clubs have enough undesignated funds to present an award to a deserving member. My contact information is listed below – call, text or email me. PCC Bob Selle, LCIF Coordinator, District 6-SE Home -719 347 2873 Cell 719 351 4421 [bndselle@yahoo.com](mailto:bndselle@yahoo.com)

#### Attachment 6

6SE Past District Governor Association Cathy Valenzuela Report November 18, 2023- The MD PDGA has no agenda or activities planned for the year until the State Convention, May 3-4, 2024, in Akron, CO.

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Traditionally, the PDG get together has been the Thursday night proceeding, but there has been interest in having a breakfast on Sunday morning instead so an additional night's stay at a hotel is not necessary. Please let me know if you have an opinion on this so I can represent your wishes. Most of the PDGs in our district already fill a continuing leadership role for 6SE, and we are all so thankful for that! We have Geoff at GST, Betsy at RMLEIF, Sharon as GMT, Rick as Chaplain, Joe at RMLEB, Bob as LCIF Coordinator, Ron as Cabinet Secretary and at RMLEB. There are a few others, and I think we should encourage them to continue to be active in recruiting new leaders to fill our leadership pipeline. There is a mentoring program for PDGs to participate in on the LI website, and I invite you all to take a look for some ideas:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/mentoring-program> We also ask all PDGs to share the emails, FB posts, and other information coming from LCI that discuss the resources and information available to support everyday Lions in their clubs and club officer positions. If there are other activities anyone has in mind for the District 6SE PDGA, please let me know! Thank you. PDG Cathy

#### Attachment 7

COLORADO LIONSCAMP NEWSLETTER November 2023 A Message From the Director- Hello and Happy November everyone! Camp is back in full swing for our off season, between our respite weekends and rental groups we have welcomed so many back over our cattle guard! Thanksgiving is one of my favorite holidays, because I have so much to be thankful for. I want to extend a special thank you to all of you, for your continued support of our camp and our campers, and for even just taking the time to read our newsletter. I have said it before, but camp would not be what it is without each and every one of you. As the holiday approaches your love, passion, and generosity will not be forgotten. With Peace and Love, Erin Newport

Program Updates We have updated our Amazon Wishlist! Camp would not be made possible without the donations we receive! Colorado Gives Day is here! Now through December 5th you can donate on this site! We thank you all for your continued support and dedication to our camp and our program. Your generosity does not go unnoticed! Off-Season Here at Camp At the start of the month we had our November Respite! Campers gathered to celebrate Thanksgiving by making thankful cards, crafts, and made some sweet treats! We have openings in the following Respites: - December 7-10, 2023 (Thursday-Sunday) - March 1-3, 2024 (Friday-Sunday) - April 5-7, 2024 (Friday-Sunday) Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram and watch for updates on our website. [clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org](mailto:clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org) Tel: (719) 687-2087 To be removed from our mailing list, please email us at [clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org](mailto:clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org) Updates on Summer 2024 Our camp application is now live! Follow this link to get to our application. We look forward to welcoming both returning and new faces to our program in just a handful of months! Click on this link for summer 2024 application. [https://www.coloradolionscamp.org/files/ugd/085119\\_db4f0d2c5cf7420baa4d9699800a2207.pdf](https://www.coloradolionscamp.org/files/ugd/085119_db4f0d2c5cf7420baa4d9699800a2207.pdf) Our staff application is also live! Working at camp is an awesome and unique experience! Follow the link below to get our staff application. CLICK HERE FOR STAFF APPLICATION <https://www.coloradolionscamp.org/work-at-camp>

Staff Highlight Meet Hannah or as we know her, Chaco! She has been at camp for 5 years and during that time has had a handful of positions, her most recent being Lead Counselor. Her love for camp shines through in all she does! She guarantees that her camp songs will be stuck in your head for months after. Favorite Camp Memory: Picking one is so tough! Anytime a camper tries the ropes course for the first time, helping campers pick an outfit for the Thursday Night Dance, and just seeing the campers at check in! Favorite Camp Meal: My favorite camp meal is either Sunday Cookout or the Thursday Night Dance dinner and Ice Cream Bar! Favorite Camp Activity: I love a good campfire! I could sing repeat-after-me songs for hours. But I truly enjoy every

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activity we do at camp! Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram and watch for updates on our website. [clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org](mailto:clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org) Tel: (719) 687-2087 To be removed from our mailing list, please email us at [clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org](mailto:clcoffice@coloradolionscamp.org)

#### Attachment 8

Colorado Lions Foundation Report to the 6SE Cabinet Meeting Held on November 18, 2023, Pueblo, Colorado  
The Trustees of the Colorado Lions Foundation met using Zoom on October 16, 2023. Trustees and Officers: PCC David Parker - President PCC Debbie Day - Vice President PCC Michelle McGowan – Secretary Jon Stone – Treasurer Lion Flossie O’Leary - Trustee Advisors - Bryan Cooper, John Spice, David McInay and Ken Schwols. Accounting – Joanne Cook. The Trustees approved two grants, one to the Redlands Lions Club, \$10,000 as matching funds for roof replacement for the Redlands Community Center. The second grant, \$1,405, was to the Pueblo Charter Lion Club assisting in the acquisition of a second Lensometer for the eyeglass recycling program. The Trustees and Officer appreciate both the contributions to the Foundation and the pass-thru funds that help it meet the IRS requirements for sources of funds. A reminder that the Foundation’s mailing address is PO Box 2342, Pueblo, CO -981004. Assets as of October 31, 2023 - \$2,518,833.33. Respectively submitted November 18, 2023, Lion Jon P. Stone

#### Attachment 9

Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Bank District 6-SE Cabinet Meeting Report PCC Dr. Ron Smith November 18, 2023. The second board of directors meeting of the Lions year was held November 10th at the Rocky Mountain Lions Eye Institute. The surgery fund continues to help with eye surgeries. Two applicants were approved for cataract surgery. Investments have been down but are recovering which will allow added money to be put into the fund. Tissue donations are down slightly at the beginning of the year, but October was one of the best months since the pandemic. Personnel continues to be a real challenge. Issues including finding applicants that are the right fit for the work and finding people who are committed to staying after training. The annual appreciation dinner for the staff and board was held that evening. This was a very nice event, and it was great to meet staff that we never see and reward them. I am available to come to clubs to discuss the eye bank. This project of the Lions of Colorado and Wyoming is really something to be proud of. Yours In Lionism, PCC Ron Smith District 6 SE Director.

#### Attachment 10

District Convention 6SE April 12th and 13th, 2024 Cathy Valenzuela Report November 18, 2023- Plan to attend now! See attached flyer. We have finalized plans to spend Friday evening at the Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch in Limon and have hotel rooms secured in Limon at the La Quinta Inn. Convention Activities, Awards and Training Opportunities will be in Calhan at the Fairgrounds on Saturday, to wrap up by 5pm. We’re working on the budget and schedule now, with registration forms to be sent out after the first of the year. I’ll be coming up to Calhan to meet with the convention committee soon, but there are so many needs and positions to be filled, that we welcome all volunteers! Committees and committee chairs needed include: -Host committee (greeters, registrations, registration table, guest speakers, color guard and national anthem, room setup) - Program committee (seminars, services, necrology, master schedule, head table setup, a/v coordination) - Finance chairperson (budget, revenue and expenses tracking, deposits, paying bills, all in support of the cabinet treasurer) -Marketing chairperson (district and multiple district wide promotion of the convention, i.e.

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newsletter, social media, etc. Promote the international officer's visit.) -Audio visual coordinator (provides equipment such as speakers and microphones and screens and computer hookups as needed, runs equipment and has backups) -Decorations committee (works with DG's theme to create an atmosphere with backdrops, decorations, centerpieces, table covers, etc.) -Food and Beverage committee (I understand Carl Finney, a Calhan club member, has volunteered to cater; we should offer support to have continental breakfast, snacks, additional beverages, etc. on hand on Saturday if he is not already planning for that.) -Elections committee (create ballot, run elections, count ballots, write official report to cabinet for recording in cabinet minutes, solicit nominating speeches and seconds, speakers to discuss ballot measures, all in support of the cabinet secretary) -Protocol Chairperson (sets protocol for the convention, head table seating, ID travel) Please contact me for questions or to volunteer! PDG Cathy

For save the date flyer right click on the link below and open the hyperlink.

[Plan now to join the Lions of 6SE at their District Convention, April \(e-district.org\)](https://e-district.org)

#### Attachment 11

Hunger District 6-SE Cabinet Meeting November 18, 2023- People suffer from hunger and poor diet around the world, in the United States, in Colorado and in local communities. Hunger issues are everywhere. Worldwide, 18.2 % of the population struggle with hunger issues according to the Global Hunger Index. The good news is that the percentage is down from 19.1% in 2014. In the United States, the hunger rate was 12.4% in 2022. That means around 44 million people face hunger each day which includes 1 in 5 children. The hunger index in Colorado was 15% in 2022. Roughly, 130,000 children did not have enough food to eat. The real issue is not just food to eat, the issue is a variety of nutritious foods to eat. There is enough food in the world to feed everyone, but the problem is getting the food distributed. The Lions Club International Foundation is the best way to help with hunger issues worldwide. Donations can be designated for hunger relief. Individual clubs may want to address hunger concerns in their own community. If so, the first thing to do is see what is available in the local town and county. If there is help available for the hunger, join in. If there is no help available, adopt a hunger relief program as a club project. Clubs will find that there is a lot of support for food banks, pantries, and meal programs. I suggest partnering with other organizations to tackle hunger problems locally. PCC Bob Selle, Hunger Chair, District 6-SE