



District N-1 Cabinet Meeting
Rexton Lions Club
February 12, 2017

The District Governor Brennan called the Cabinet meeting to order at 10:56am February 12, 2017. The Lions were led in the American National Anthem by Lion Dale Carter. PCC Susan led us in the Canadian National Anthem. Moment of silence for world Peace and deceased Lions. PG Lion Lucio to lead the Lions in our Lions Invocation.

District Governor Brennan called for an approval of the Agenda, moved by Lion Carlos seconded by Lion Antoine, motion carried. District Governor Brennan welcomed ID Rod, all Lions, PDG's, Zones chairs.

District Governor Brennan asked for the newest member, Lion Antoine was presented with DG Brennan's pin, and was thanked for attending the Cabinet meeting (Hampton Lions Club, tail twister). We need more new faces.

District Governor Brennan called for approval of the minutes from November Cabinet meeting, moved by Lion Paul (Hampton) seconded by PDG Doug, Motion Carried.

District Governor Brennan asked President Lion Tracy from Rexton to welcome the Lions. Have a great meeting, take home some valuable information. District Governor Brennan said it is always great to come to Rexton as so many other clubs you are always welcome. Lakeville Lions arrived and were recognized.

District Governor Brennan informed the Lions that he and Lion Cindi have attended 57 clubs and several charters to date so they have been busy. They have really enjoyed learning about the clubs their fundraising and the impact they have on their communities. Since our District is large sometimes we do not realize all the great and different things our clubs are involved in.

One of the things I have been pushing this year is visitations, many times I have been asked is this ok to do, if more people were out doing visitations we would realize what others are doing, whether right or wrong because we do not always do things right, chose the best service. We have many things going on in our District there are good and some that are not so good, some horror stories, but that does not mean they cannot be resolved. This is the meeting that many do not like as we must deal with the audit and Constitution and Bylaws, because that is how we do business, please respect the 4 minute speak.

Before we move on we must deal with the GLT and GMT both positions will be replaced this year as the term is over. There are rules and time periods that are involved in these positions and I choose to go to the District for that decision because all of us are the ones that will work with these individuals. LCI has not made a decision on the term, they are talking of maybe a 1 year term or two, they will make that

decision at the March Board Meeting. Sometimes people can commit for 1 year but maybe not 3 so they have a lot to discuss. CST will put out to the District that we are looking for a GLT and a GMT.

We have 2 banners on the tables one is my DG banner and the other ID Rods Banner. we ask that you sign both if you have not yet done so. This goes part and parcel with our IP theme New Mountains to climb. These banners will all be presented at the International Convention.

Introduction of head table, CST Heather, 1st VDG Paul, 2nd VDG Jim and ID Rod, who is our one and only ID for Canada, USA has 11 of a board of 34. This reflects on numbers.

CST report. Roll call, Rexton with most 16. Lion Dale was asked to be the tail twister by putting the first coin in. PDG Jan is our tail twister but just got out of hospital, is doing well but unable to attend. Lion Nelson is our second tail twister and was on his way here but cannot make it.

Budget has been printed and CST asked for any questions moved to adopt the budget as presented moved and seconded motion carried.

Lion Kathy was fined for not recognizing the DG when doing roll call.

DG Brennan introduced the ID and asked for him to address the Lions. ID Rod welcomed everyone that thanked the DG. ID Rod first spoke on membership across Canada, 45% of Canadian Clubs are under 20 members, if we maintain our ID we must maintain 30k members. District N-1 has 77 clubs 41 of those clubs have less than 20 members. There is positive, 1746 members at the beginning of 2016-2017 our female membership has increased, this is positive. The number have not moved however. To maintain our seat at the table at LCI we are the group that made LCI International. We need to get people out to serve with you so they too will want to serve.

ID Rod asked how many have taken an LCI webinar, course through the LCI University, a few hands have gone up. If you are looking for training for members, clubs or your own business. They have great programming and you can earn an LCI Diploma.

How many have been to a forum? Several hands went up, it is the most interesting and learning experience for you and your clubs. They happen every year, hopefully we will be able to bring a forum back to Canada soon. ID Rod will attend but not as an ID, this has been an opportunity and ID Rod thanks you for your support. His replacement has been selected Lion Tom Gorden from Ontario.

LCIF is always on his talks, we give and receive funding from LCIF. How many know we received a grant from LCIF last year? A few hands went up. The grant was approved by this body and it was a matching grant for Portage. (The year before) \$75,000.00 USD for the new fitness center. ID Rod has asked the clubs/Lions to reach a bit deeper for the foundation.

The other item is the silver Lions coin (\$52.00US) \$10.00 of every dollar purchased goes to LCIF.

ID Rod has challenged the clubs to support LFC with a dollar per member per month from July to June. ID Rod said he hopes his district takes up this challenge LFC is a wonderful cause.

International Convention register, it will be a great time. ID Rod has requested that all Canadian Lions march together with 150 Canadian flags behind. We will then stop to sing Oh Canada.

Last ID Rod has said we have a candidate running for IP, she will be running in Las Vegas, she will be stepping back to run in Las Vegas. Stepping back means that the International executive has endorsed an individual, so instead of making it a competition she will step back. we as Canadians need to assist maybe in funding. ID Rod has her pins to sell if anyone would like to see them. ID Rod asked that District N-1 endorse Dr. Patti Hill as 3rd VP, moved by ID Rod seconded by PCC Bev, all in favor, motion carried.

ID Rod asked District N-1 to endorse Haines Townsend for 3rd VP he will be running in Chicago, moved by ID Rod seconded by PCC Stewart. ID Rod gave some information on Haines Townsend (Judge) in southern USA. Motion Carried.

The board has major changes going on, LCI forward, GLT and GMT will be discussed. They are beginning a Certified Lions Leadership School. If you have been teaching at the DG Elect seminars, Faculty development, etc you can be judged at that level and can find out if you can be certified. If you are selected to attend the Certified Lions leadership school, you may or may not be certified. It costs about 5 million to put on a DG school. They want to make sure those teaching are qualified. In 2019 there will be a change in the training, it will be held in Chicago, it will save LCI 250,000.00.

Lion Dale, tail twister ID Rod over spoke his 4 minutes about 6 times and was fined.

DG asked PCC Bev Centennial chair to update the Lions. Today world wide we have achieved our goal, exceeded our goals to 134million acts of service. If any clubs preferably Zones would like PCC Bev to come and speak to let her know. If you are having a Legacy Project take a picture and send them, she will send them on to the MDN Legacy chair. There will be a contest at the MDN.

DG Brennan, said it is a wonderful thing 100 years. Lion Cindi is chairing the District Legacy Project. The District is collecting pictures for the annual convention. Lion Cindi said they have had a great time travelling to the clubs, beautiful scenery, lots of fun and on the way home heart stopping as all the deer come out at night in the fall. Lion Cindi thought the District should have a legacy Project, and her passion of kids took her to the idea of Portage. Lion Cindi told a story about a girl that waited on her while shopping for Portage. Lion Cindi told of how she came up with the idea for the quilts for Portage. A call was put out for the Lions to participate. We have a few that have been dropped off. We have about 50 now. PDG Larry's wife, Andrea contacted Lion Cindi to help. Thank you for all your support. Andrea has been asked to speak. Andrea talked about the guilds (22) she contacted them and asked the guilds to help. They have lots of material but need to purchase the batting. The quilts are coming from all over. We will have the quilts before they go away.

Lion Cindi advised there will be a Lions Legacy patch sewn on all the quilts. The patches are donated. PCC Bev has advised there are funds from the Multiple as well.

DG Brennan said this is a great project and do not assume because we have 50 quilts don't think we have enough.

DG Brennan asked 1VDG Paul to speak. Recognized the head table. Welcome all Lions. VDG Paul mentioned PCC Stewart and the training he is doing is great need lots of that. Lion Peter and Lion Jason have done training as well and have done a great job as well. 1st VD Paul announced PCC Bev will be his CST next year. VDG Paul said there is a company on PEI this doing certificates he will send the info later. He is hoping to surround himself with good people next year. He would like more Lions to step forward to help.

2nd VDG Jim said he was with the Zone Chairs this morning and he takes that job serious. VDG Jim thanked the Lions from Rexton that helped him this morning setting up the flags. LCI forward VDG Jim said the training module is already out When the Newsletter comes out there will be info from IP Corlew about membership. VDG Jim said they have been able to help 6 clubs record the activities there are a few more to do and hopefully they can get that accomplished. Lion Tamer Lion Dale fined the DG for not following the agenda.

Break for Lunch

Reconvened 1PM

Audit Report Included in reports. PDG Gerard was unavailable, CST Heather read report. The audit report will have to be voted on at the Annual Convention.

DG Brennan reconvened with speaking on LCIF and LCI recognizing that LCIF is the strong financial arm of LCI and that each club President appoint a member of their Club to serve as LCIF Coordinator, this position is a position that will serve on your Board of Directors. This position will be an elected position and should be placed on your election platform for 2017-2018.

Roll Call 22 clubs in attendance 72 Lions.

Lion Jerry Kirkpatrick Convention Chair was unable to attend, information on the convention has been distributed is on the District website as well as the Riverview Lions Club website. Host Riverview Lions Club most activities will be from the Hotel and the Lions Club. The cut off is March 7th 2017. There are many things planned, please attend.

Constitution & ByLaws PCC Susan Copies are available. PCC Susan thanked Lion Dale for his assistance and other Lions in the District. PCC Susan said with the new LCI document most of the information is mandatory. The committee came up with one document this information is included with the Minutes and published on the District website <http://e-district.org/sites/n1/page-9.php>
At convention PCC Susan would like to pass a block of items for housekeeping items and a block for constitution.

The additions placed in the document are mandatory items and we do not have a choice to accept.

Substantial change items, will either be moved to ballot or defeated.
Please see items attached. Our new administration does not have an ending balance from last year, totally unacceptable and we have people to assist when things get too busy.
DG Brennan thanked PCC Susan for all the work she has put into this.

Lion Anna Mae brought up the Peace Poster awards as well as the Essay Contest awards, they are the same amounts. PCC Susan will consider. Point of order noted by Lion Jim Belliveau.

A motion was made to cover the already appointed CST for next year 1st VDG, it was brought forward that the motion was before it was needed because the Constitution & By Laws has not been passed. At the annual convention, the CST already announced for 2017-2018 be grandfathered into as the 1st VDG and CST (announced) are from the same club. This will be dealt with at the annual convention. This is a recommendation that Cabinet agrees.

This will not deal with the signing authorities because the signing authorities cannot be from the same club. There were changes made that there are no records for.

Lion Carlos asked if the recommendations have been sent out.

DG Brennan brought up the LFC request that the Lions attempt to have one weekend set aside for the dog walk (fundraising for LFC) Lion Paul advised that they are looking at a few things but nothing decided on yet. All clubs around the district to do something participate together.

Next we will call upon committees to report.

See reports provided attached

PDG Luke mentioned about Lion Krista wanting to organize a curling bonspiel again please contact her by next Sunday February 19, 2017.

GLT advised working with Zone Chairs to sure up training functions.

Cavalcade host 2016-2017 will know in two weeks, Nackawic Lions won the trophy per capita.

We did have an Essay contest entry and Lion Jim has donated the funds to the District to cover that award.

Lion Paul Gauthier presented Lion Peter Gallant with the Harry A Newman award for all his work. He has been recommended as Lion Paul G replacement. Lion Paul advised that Lion Peggy will not be continuing with LFC Stores.

Andrea Barton spoke that Harry A Newman was the first sitting president from Canada. Harry A Newman was a friend of her uncle and when he died he gave the gong to Andrea's uncle who gave it to her and PDG Larry when he died. This gong is going to the convention this year and will be given to the Canadian Museum in London Ontario for our history.

DG Brennan spoke on how special this is, 100 years of service 150th birthday.
PCC Susan spoke on Quest and a seminar can be held here in our District if she can get a club to host, preferably in the Moncton area, these areas are very dormant in Lions Quest. Lion Reg has offered from Riverview.

Old Business 1VDG Paul advised about the free books distribution in late spring. Dress for International Convention Parade. Our Policy says we will wear the convention dress so that is what has been passed. The shirts are available at MDN convention.

DG Brennan read correspondence from a cycling across Canada.

Lion Tracy was presented with a certificate for hospitality book for convention for hosting the Cabinet meeting.

Tail Twister reported \$95.60 ID Rod added a fine for PCC Susan \$5.00 = \$100.60

Great time for all

VDG Jim has lost his binder with his reports please return if found.

Dates to remember.

Motion to adjourn PDG Boyd



February Report – 2017

Fellow Lions:

In October 2016 I requested the CST Lion Heather to send to the District Clubs my October report whereby I requested all Clubs to activate an Alert Team within their own Clubs and contact the local EMO organizations within their areas. The purpose of this exercise was to touch base with the local Emergency Measures Organizations to see where the Lions could assist in cases of an emergency.

Our first major emergency this year has been the big Ice Storm in the North Eastern part of our province over the last ten days. The media has covered this operation very well both in pictures and word. One could see the devastation in the pictures showing the loss of power and all of the emergency crews and military in action trying to get things back in operation. Unfortunately there were deaths involved by the improper use of gasoline powered generators that produce carbon monoxide. These machines are not to be used in poorly ventilated areas.

One of the things to note is the number of volunteers that are required when something like this happens. Warming centers were set up by the Red Cross which provided warm areas for people to go for shelter and food. Areas were also provided for all of the hydro crews and others working the emergency. The Red Cross register all of those people who come to these centers so that family can reach their loved ones to make sure they are of. The list goes on and on.

The Lions Alert Program suggests that Lions get involved and make themselves available to assist in these emergencies. Things like working in the warming centers, preparing food for people in the shelters, assisting in the registration of persons, assisting seniors who are in their own homes, and so on. The list is endless as there is always something happening to change the direction.

Working with your local EMO group you will become familiar with the tasks that you may be requested to carry out. As the old saying goes many hands make light work.

Hopefully your Club Alert Committee will contact your local EMO group and we can assist if and when an emergency situation develops.

Yours in Lionism

Lion Don Doran

District Alert Chair

The Peace Poster contest for 2016 is now behind us. District level winners were 1st place Fallon Thorton-Nashwaaksis Middle School. Fallon also won at the Multiple therefore poster went to International level. 2nd Bailey Rutherford from Riverview Middle School 3rd Katelynn Ravn Hampton Middle School (Bell Isle) There was one entry for the essay contest.. Ethan Morehouse from the Keswick Valley Memorial School submitted by Burt's Corner Lions Club. This year is the 30th Anniversary of the Peace Poster Contest and the new theme is " The future of Peace". Kits are now available from lions International. We have one new club interested in the Peace Poster Contest this year. All clubs please purchase a kit, contact the school or another group in your area. Lets really make this the biggest year yet. Make it a real 30th and as a District aim for 30 entries. One for each year. Please feel free to contact me if you would like further information on the Peace Poster Contest at annamaebasque@gmail.com

Respectively submitted

Lion Anna Mae Basque

Environment

if we think that a small act cant have an effect think about a small mosquito in a bedroom at night you cant see him but it certainly effects you the same can be said for a small act of upcycling

that item that you repurposed is not going to landfill there fore less energy used to dispose of it which means a little less emissions which means a little cleaner air and environment so next time you think about throwing that old coffee can out turn it in to a plant container for your home which cleans more air

lion Peter Gallant
Enviroment chair



Gerry Forsythe GMT

District N-1

February 6, 2017

DG Brennan

First and foremost I must make an apology to you in that I did say in a phone conversation that I would have contacted all Clubs in the District that have a membership under 10 by the end of January. Well that did not happen for several reasons and I accept full responsibility.

One of the biggest problems other than personal problems is the amount of time that I have been devoting to the reorganization of the Sackville Area Club. Things are going well than wait a moment and no they are not, and it has been an ongoing battle. I must say that ZC Dan GLT Stewart KL Reg and ZC Steve from N-2 have been working overtime with me on this project. Having said that, I will try and get this done before the end of the year to see if we cannot increase our membership a bit more.

On a positive note, as at the time of writing this we stand at PLUS 10 which is a lot different than this time last year, but still not good. The most disturbing factor is the number of drops which stands at 102 while our new Lions total 112. So far this month we have brought in 4 and dropped 4, not good and we need more members.

In closing I would like to give a special thank you to the following for their work through this last few months especially with the Sackville Club, ZC Dan, ZC Steve of N-2, GLT Stewart and KL Reg we would not be as far along as we are, and I offer them a very sincere thank you and especially you for your visit to the last meeting on January 26. I feel that the talk you gave did something for those attending and hopefully we can see this come together before the Cabinet meeting in April.

Lion Gerry
GMT N-1

MDN Recycle For Sight February 11, 2017 Report

Since our last Cabinet meeting, District N1 has shipped 17,000 pairs of eyewear. No hearing aids or C-Pap machines have been turned in to me.

A few improvements have taken place. Our relationship with Vogue Optical has made much advancement, one being the personal touch given by the new General Manager, Jamie Hearn, who has reached out to the lions to improve our working relationship by making sure that the appearance of eyewear collection boxes are in good state of repair. He was provided 25 boxes to replace any box that was unsightly. Remember, they are concerned about the appearance of their store.

Jamie has indicated he is interested in becoming a lion, because he was asked, and has encouraged all of his store managers to becoming lions as well.

Collection boxes are available today, and are always available by some way or another.

Lion Reg House

Eyewear Collection Chair

District N1

Report on this year's District Speak Out Competition

At the Club Level, a committee was formed, an information package was created and we are currently in the process of make contact, delivering and sending out information packages to our local high schools and youth groups. To date, we have not attracted any competitors however are hopeful when we follow up with each of our contacts.

In the Zone, clubs have been contacted and I would like to thank the clubs who returned my calls and provided their support.

Within the District, I encourage member clubs to approach the schools and youth groups in their area, provide them with the details and regulations that are required to generate interest within their respective groups.

As the District Speak Out is being held on April 8th, clubs should be in the process of having competitions completed within their own club so that if a Speak Out Competition is required in their Zone, there will be ample time for these competitions to be held before the District Convention Speak Out competition.

Any club that has been successful in generating candidates for this competition please let me know so that the necessary arrangements can be made for their accommodations and to ensure they have a pleasurable experience. The convention rate of \$119.00 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel is valid only until March 7th. Accommodations booked after that date, if available, would be their regular room rates.

The regulations for the Speak Out, can be found in the District Policy Manual on the District website at <http://www.e-district.org/sites/n1> - District Documents - District Policy Manual – Pages 74 to 85.

If I can be of any assistance or if you have any inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me at: kthbllv@gmail.com or phone 506-386-7279.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Kathy Belliveau, Riverview Lions Club

February 9th, 2017