

Minutes - Cabinet Meeting Riverview Lions Club February 16, 2020 11:00am

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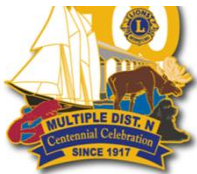
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The meeting was Call to Order at 11:07am with a Moment of Silence for World Peace and Deceased Members, followed by the singing of the National Anthems, led by Lion Dale Carter and PDG Doug Small, and the Lions Invocation led by Lion Jamie Penton. DG Lloyd then congratulated PDG Doug Small on receiving his Lions Certified Instructor designation from LCIP. DG Lloyd Soucie asked for approval/ additions to the agenda. PCC Paul added discussion on Convention Registration forms. DG Lloyd called for approval of the agenda as amended. PCC Sonny Bonnell moved to approve the Agenda. ZC Lionel Vautour seconded. **MC**

District Governor Lloyd welcomed and thanked all for attending. He stated the year is going by very quickly. With the new changes to the reporting system MyLCI reporting has become much easier. We are all volunteers working together with respect, putting aside our individual opinions for the good of the whole. He has met with 60 plus clubs either individually or in Zone settings. Thank you to those clubs who adjusted meetings to accommodate his visitations. The message remains the same - diversity. Approximately one half of our clubs have added new members. To date we have inducted 87 new members in our Lions clubs with 4 more being done in Bath this week and 2 more in Fort Kent. Unfortunately we have lost 151 during the same period of time. Why? Are we doing exit interviews to know the reason these members are leaving. It would give us the opportunity to look at our leadership styles, how we do business, our personalities Do we need to adjust our membership styles. He is visiting the Shippagan area and signing a Branch Club Application – the Pokeshaw & Blackrock Lions Club. They are hoping to charter as a full club by the end of next year. Dg Lloyd thanked VDG Paul for working on the a Campus cub at UPEI.

CS Susan Sangster extended condolences extended to the Hunter River Lions Club on the passing of Lion Shirley Andrews. She then did roll call.

DG Lloyd introduced the head table beginning with PID Rod Wright, 2nd VDG John Bettie, 1st VDG Paul Gauthier, CT Carlos Vicente, CS Susan Sangster. DG Lloyd recognized PID's Past Council Chairs and Past District Governors, Lions, Lioness and Leos. Host President Lion Lisa MacKenzie Riverview Lions Club designated PCC Brennan Beaumont to welcome all on her behalf, great to see so many attending hoped all would enjoy the day, reminded all to get their lunch tickets for a roast pork dinner and have a good meeting.

Reports: DG Lloyd did his report with his welcome.

1st Vice District Paul has been travelling Portage for the Christmas Party, to Toronto, and Chicago just getting home yesterday. If you are interested in working in the District next year contact VDG Paul or Lion Susan for positions available. 1st Vice District Paul's report is attached.

2nd Vice Governors thanked the Zone Chairs for attending the meeting. From the Zone Chairs, we need more training, not just President and Secretary training but all training – member Orientation, Guiding Lion, how to get new members, how to keep new members were a few of the specifics mentioned. Why did you join a Lions club? Report attached.

Peace Poster Chair Lion Isabel reported the Peace Poster is a popular project with 498 participants in her area alone. The Peace Poster contest gives us the opportunity to work with the youth in our area, the children between 11 and 13. This project gives the children the opportunity to express their idea of Peace in the world and gives us an opportunity to introduce Lions to the children. The theme this year was Journey for Peace. 1st place Rebecca MacDonald Belleisle Regional School Hampton Lions Club

2nd place Myah Arbeau Central New Brunswick Academy School Upper Miramichi Lions Club

3rd place Colby Estsy Hampton Middle School Hampton Lions Club

Congratulations to all three winners. Rebecca also received 1st Place at the Multiple District level. Clubs, please encourage your youth to get involved with the project. We have 11 guests as part of this project. Checks were presented to the winners.

DG Lloyd had a couple more presentations to make. Trees have been planted in memory of the 2 Past District Governors we have lost, from the Moncton Lions Club in memory of PDG Clarence Curwin and PDG Shirley Dickinson of the Hunter River Lions Club. In the Memorial Forest there will be a plaque at the base of the memorial tree. He called on Lion Amanda Bent to come up to introduce a short presentation on Sight Conservation. She introduced Christine Kennedy-Babineau who is the manager of CNIB Foundation in Moncton, NB. She thanks us for our involvement with CNIB. CNIB has recently has been given government support for essential services. This leaves room for her organization to focus on the quality of life programs – recreation activities, a youth retreat for youth with sight loss. They have started a Pop-up mobile office – partnered with the local library to see people in a casual setting. They would like the Lions to share information by chatting at their events or set up table in the next 21 location events this year. This will be shared on the CNIB facebook page. A vision screening machine was set up for demonstration throughout the lunch hour. We can organize these testings easily with the only information being shared is to see your optometrist if necessary.

Lion John Murray did tail-twisting during lunch. He is selling DG Jims both his personal ones and those donated from his family at \$2.00 each to be donated to LFC.

IPDG Brennan Beaumont drew attention to a picture being auctioned by the Riverview Lions Club with all proceeds going to the Lions Foundation of Canada. This is available to view online on the facebook and website pages. He briefly explained the function of the PDGA Assoc is to assist the Governor with whatever they chose to ask of the Association to help fulfil their mandate. He reported from the PDGA meeting, there was 13 PDGA's in attendance and discussed the Portage beautification project, discussed the availability of a grant, branch clubs, assisting Lion Lorraine as overseer of the Portage Leo club, commemoration of the Lions 2020 program. As Immediate Past Governor, PCC Brennan is the chair of the PDGA. They also discussed membership, how can we assist.

DG Lloyd called for approval of the minutes of our last meeting in East Royalty. It was moved by Lion Donnie Walton of the Millidgeville-Northend LC, seconded by Lion Susan Stennick of the Geary LC the minutes be approved. MC

Cabinet Secretary Susan reviewed the Roll Call Summary for a total of 86 as follows:

Presidents = 11

Secretaries = 15

Members = 60

The Cabinet Treasurer asked if there were any questions on the Budget summary of February 6, 2020 that was presented. Hearing no questions, CT Carlos Vicente moved that the budget summary dated February 6, 2020 be accepted as presented, seconded by Lion Margaret of the Simonds LC. MC It was moved by Lion Carlos and seconded by Lion Lion Vautour to add \$250 the budgeted amount \$500 for Memorials trees for Past District Governors be increased. Our budget allowed for 2 and we have lost 3 as of February 2020. **MC**

DG Lloyd asked for any secretary to discuss the updates to MyLion. Cabinet Secretary Susan lead the discussions by asking who had tried it and if any were still having problems. She is using and found the updates great. Some Lions indicated they still can't login which is another issue and CS Susan recommended they contact LCI for assistance, stating the staff there will help them get logged on. If you are having problems, let us know. Question was "Will this be part of the Convention training?" Lion Carlos is in the process of learning it so he can include with his secretarial training.

DG Lloyd made a couple of sad announcements – The Souris Lions Club lost a member Lion Bob Conway and the Geary Lions Club lost Lion Jack Astle. WE held a moment of silence for these 2 members.

DG Lloyd reminded all his visitations are posted on the e-District website . <https://www.e-district.org/sites/n1/>

Canada 2020 — PCC Bev Semple was suppose to have a box of pamphlets and buttons, as well as PID Rod and the DG but none have received. This pamphlet has lots of information. When she get it, she will scan to CS Susan for distribution. She encouraged the clubs to have 2020 celebration events and let the DG, and her both know the information about the event. There are matching grants available up to \$5000 to help with the cost of the projects. Irving Woodlands is willing to donate the tree seedlings for planting – 3 locations will be set up to arrange for pick-up of the trees. This is a great way for Lions to get out in the community, be visible in your area. Noted by DG Lloyd the trees do not have to be planted on Irving land.

Diabetic Camps – Reported by PCC Brennan that we are moving ahead with support for the camps. PEI has some different projects on the go. Lion Peter Gallant, PEI Diabetic Chair, reported a Hockey game in the Northstar arena with the proceeds going to the Diabetic Camp Phonix and ½ going to Camp Triumph the NB Camp.program. Camp Triumph now has their own fund to help resolve some of the funding issues we have encountered. \$100 cost to have your clubs name on the program. For donations to Camp Phonix, the PEI Clubs have always purchased a Harry Newman Award. They will also have a PEI Phonix Award for a donation of \$500 to honor a Lion or community member.

LFC – PCC Brennan is requesting the Zones allow him to come to speak to the Zone on the foundation. Our Dog Walks - we still do the Dog Walks. We need the support – Can we do it as a District? The nationally promoted date is May 31. The website is www.walkfordogguides.com. Any information you need is on this website. The Foundation now has 7 dogs – with the newest dog being the facility support dog. This new dog goes to groups not an individual and people are encouraged to pet them – unlike our other working service dogs. Three of these dogs have been put into service 2 to RCMP type locations and one here in NB to a crisis center. The Foundation has a new CEO with the retirement of Sandy Turney. The Board is made up entirely of Lions across Canada. Lion Cindy does the Lions Clothing. Dog Walks to date are 18 – 12 in NB 6 in PEI. Please support our Foundation.

GMT - Membership- Lions Ed Evans was unable to attend due to work commitments. His report is attached. Member count 12 months ago 1760 – today is 1735 lost of 25. Clubs with membership under 20 - 55% Clubs not reporting 16% - 10 clubs beyond 3 months with 1 of those clubs over 34 months. We need to grow our membership – work together and learn from each other. We need to ask people **to join in Service** not to join a Club. Report attached.

DG Lloyd told of a very special new member induction made in Fort Kent of a member who always wanted to become a Lion but ended up in hospital before it could happen with terminal cancer. The Club pulled together a special team of 40 members and with the cooperation of the nursing staff held his most special new member induction with the Lions Roar.

GST – PCC Paul Cousins commented on the wonderful meal. Riverview has set a very high standard for the rest of us going forward. He also pointed out the impending dues increase coming July 2020-21 of \$3.00 per member with annual increases thereafter. Service is any hands on activity. If you need help with the reporting, just ask. PCC Paul encouraged Lions to step up to the position of 2nd Vice District Governor. Report filed

GLT – PDG Doug Small spoke on orientation for the Zone level. Officers School is in the planning stages – Orientation is prepared at the Zone level – Officer training – Secretary, MyLion, LCIF, Leadership, a Service Panel will be offered. There is training available at the club, district level and beyond on the LCI website in the Lions Learning Center and through the Lions University’ The Zone Chair training will be offered in June. PDG Doug announced that he is stepping aside from the position as GLT but he will be available for training events. Report attached

LCIF – PDG Luke has filed his LCIF reported donations in Canada to campaign 100 are \$1,314.000 and in District N 1 \$38,592.23. He also reported that District N 4 has obtained a vision grant for \$12,000 and District C 1 in Alberta one for \$60,000. He has 30 minute powerpoint presentations ready to speak on any time anyone wishes. Remember to donate through LCIF Canada. Report attached
Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF, c/o Stan Durwood, Box 38, Sunderland, On L0C 1H0

New Voices – written Report attached

Lions Quest – Lion Lori Perley reported that she and District N 1 Director PCC Susan attended the Lions Quest National meeting held in Toronto in January 2020. 1st Vice District Governor Paul also attended. From the National meeting, we have a monthly newsletter that is sent out. We had a very good tail-twister who raised \$1000 in one day. Since the national meeting there has been 2 grant applications, 2 workshops booked with several more in the works, 2 presentations booked for cabinet meetings and conferences, outreach made to schools and other organizations, a new Lions Quest Chair was appointed many other Lions Quest activities including several new members to the Q Bear fan Club, new pictures on the Lions Quest facebook page, new displays ordered. Donation and activity is matching last years and 9 club have met the \$100 challenge from last meeting. District C 1 who has 98 clubs has issued a challenge to see who can donate the most on a percentage basis. There were several special presentations made with one very special Lions Quest fellowship being presented to Lion Lori in honour of her many years as an avid supporter and trailer of Lions Quest. You will be receiving tickets in the mail to for our annual promotion - 1st prize is \$5000, 2nd prize is \$2500 and 3rd prize is \$1000. The tickets are \$20 each. We have reached only 30% of our fund-raising goal. There is a Lions Quest retreat happening March. New Polo Shirts available from Lions Quest at \$35 each with the QBear logo Lion Lori moved that District N 1 loan us \$2500 from our Lions Quest restricted funds to purchase items to promote Lions Quest Canada. This would be to buy items for promotion and the proceeds would pay back the loan. The purchase and sale will be overseen by Lion Susan Sangster and Lion Lori Perley plus available from the Lions Quest Canada Office. Motioned seconded by PCC Susan Sangster. **MC**. We will also apply for a LCIF grant of \$1500 to promote Lions Quest in the schools. There are also Community Service Grants available.

Speakout 2020 – District Chair Lion John Murray encouraged the clubs to get their local speakouts done for the District speakout. He reminded all that the responsibility to get your speakout participant and their family to the District competition is an expense of the sponsoring club.

Tail-twister report - Chair Lion John Murray reported he is turning in \$136.30 to the Cabinet Treasurer. These funds have been dedicated to the Children’s Diabetic Camps.

Convention Report: - PID Rod Wwright – Chair

PID Douglas Alexander is currently serving as our 1st Vice President but he will also be running for International President. Due to the death of Judge Townsend, and PID Alexander being appointed to fulfil the position of 1st Vice President, PID Alexander will need to be elected to the position of President. His candidacy could be challenged. Any Past International Director or Past International President could challenge for that seat. We have a candidate running for 3rd Vice International that has been endorsed by the Board of Directors of LCI PID Fabricio Oliviera.

Diabetic Camps - PID Rod Wright , as the NB Diabetic Chair reminded that we raised over \$30,000 for those camps last year and we will need those funds again this year. Please remember to take back to your clubs for funding.

Vision Machine - PID Rod Wright suggested the machines could be purchased as a District project and apply for half of the funding through LCIF

District N 1 Annual – in Presque Isle Me. Booklet Ad deadline is February 21, 2020.

Speaker PID Allen Lundgren from Scotsdale, Arizona. The registrations are slow coming in with several coming from District 41 (Maine) who want to renew old friendships. PDG John Youney is running for International Director. Registration will begin at 4pm. Registration will not be available at the door. You may pay the \$5.00 to come in and Vote but will not be able to attend anything else. Registration deadline is March 20. The Ad deadline is February 21. Please send as a word document. Entertainment by the Fort Kent Lions Club for their sell out variety show as well as some music. Opening at 8:30 Saturday morning – seminars – lunch on our own – meet with ID Alan Hunt. Sunday will begin with the Necrology service then directly into the Annual Meeting. Registration is in Canadian funds. The checks will be made to payable as per the registrations form in order for him to be able cash Canadian checks and transfer to American funds for the Fort Fairfield Lions Club to pay the bills. Question regarding any difficulty at the border with drivers licence and birth certificates for those with no passports – there should be none as long as the birth certificate is an original document not a photo copy and a pictured drivers licence. Suggested you use the Houlton Border crossing. According to a retired border agent, with drivers licence and birth certificates.

MD N Convention in Fredericton – hosted by 3 clubs – the Barkers Point Northside and Burtts Corner with Nashwaaksis Lion Club looking after the Meet and Greet. The account has been set up for that in Fredericton. The Registration forms have been sent out and are on the MD N website www.lcimdn.org PDG Rhonda has been ill and Past Council Secretary Brenda will be assisting her till she is feeling better. Another copy of the Registration form will be sent out.

Lions Clubs International Convention in Singapore only PID Rod and VDG Paul are the only 2 people

Reports:

Eye-Glasses - Lion Doug Cook of the Winsloe Lions club has approximately 25000 pair of glasses at their club in Winsloe. – He has some New form here with him today. If anyone has any glasses he will take them with him. Charlottetown is at a standstill again. MD N Chair Scott Mackenzie is working with the Charlottetown Correctional Center. Armour transport will transport the glasses from Winsloe to the processing center only under our agreement. If you wish to ship to Winsloe, then the club must cover the cost of that freight.

Nominations – Chair Jim Belliveau. The Nomination forms for District Governor, 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor, Cabinet Treasurer and Zone Chair have been sent out as well as posted on-line <https://www.e-district.org/sites/n1/>. Send all applications to the Nominations – Chair Jim Belliveau except that of Zone Chair.. Those would be submitted to your sitting Zone Chair.

PDGA Portage Project – PCC Stewart MacDonald Chair. We have been working with Portage as a committee - Proposing a memorial park - Portage Lions Community Gardens - at the entrance of Portage – PDG Stewart moved to proceed with the study/plans to create a Zen space for residents and visitors to Portage that will provide the residents an upkeep project. Seconded by PCC Brennan. **MC** Committee consists of PCC Stewart, PCC Brennan, Lion Lorraine Pollock. They are looking at setting up a specialty club in Norton to oversee the project and the working of the youth from portage. We have a good working relationship with Portage. This will be on Portage land, right at the gate, and open to visitors at the discretion of Portage. Agreed by the PDGA to apply for a Canadian \$5000 matching grant, matching funds to be taken from surplus funds, to erect a monument to identify the project and to cover some of the landscaping/maintenance. Moved by PCC Stewart seconded by PCC Brennan. **MC**

Constitution & By-Laws – Review the Notices of Motions for the 2020 Convention

Resolutions

Item A:Whereas PID Douglas X. Alexander is the current 1st International Vice President and will be expected to advance as the next International President:

Be it hereby resolved that the members, Cabinet and Executive of Lions International District N 1 will hereto lend their support to PID Douglas X. Alexander to be the next President of the International Association of Lions Clubs.

Mover:PID Rod Wright

Secunder: PCC Sonny Bonnell

MC

Item B:Whereas PID Fabricio Oliviera has received the endorsement of the International Board of Directors to run for the position of 3rd International Vice President:

Be it hereby resolved that the members, Cabinet and Executive of Lions International District N 1 will hereto lend their support to PID Fabricio Oliviera to be the next 3rd Vice President of the International Association of Lions Clubs.

Mover: PID Rod Wright

Secunder: PCC Brennan Beaumont

MC

Required Changes/Additions as per By-Laws Article 10, Section 2 – Automatic Update

Amendment #1: District N 1 By-Laws Exhibit D- Whereas the District By-Laws have the District Governor Nomination Checklist but not the District Governor Nomination Form, the District Governor Nomination Form will be added to Exhibit D.

Required Changes/Additions as per By-Laws Article 10, Section 2 – Automatic Update

Amendment #2: District N 1 By-Laws Exhibit E - Whereas the District By-Laws have the First Vice-District Governor Nomination Checklist but not the First Vice District Governor Nomination Form, the First Vice District Governor Nomination Form will be added to Exhibit E.

Amendment #3: District N 1 By-Laws Exhibit F- Whereas the District By-Laws have the Second Vice-District Governor Nomination Checklist but not the Second Vice District Governor Nomination Form, the Second Vice District Governor Nomination Form will be added to Exhibit F.

Amendment #4: District N 1 By-Laws Exhibits-Whereas the District By-Laws does not currently have the Region/Zone Chairperson Nomination Form, the Region/Zone Chairperson Nomination form will be added as “Exhibit H”.

Notices of Motion

Item #1: Whereas the application forms for all elected District positions exist in the By-laws with the exception of the Cabinet Treasurer’s position, which currently only exists in the District N 1 Policy Manual,

And, whereas all Nomination Forms and Checklists would be more easily referenced if they were co-located in the same document:

Motion: District N 1 By-Laws Exhibits – Copy Appendix P of the District N 1 Policy Manual over to the District N 1 By-Laws so as to be the next available Exhibit letter in the By-Laws.

Mover: PDG Doug Small

Seconder: Lion Susan Stennick

Item #2:Whereas there is some ambiguity in the current wording of the Peace Poster Contest regarding the required date stamps and timelines,

And, whereas an adjustment in the language has been requested to alter the point of contact:

Motion: District N 1 Policy Manual – Appendix N – Change the current wording of:

All Peace Poster submissions must be received by the District Governor no later than the date of the November Cabinet Meeting of each contest year.

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All Peace Poster submissions, **irrespective of delivery method,** must be received by ~~the District Governor~~ **the Peace Poster Chair prior to the date of** the November Cabinet Meeting of each contest year **for judging.**

Mover: Lion Isabelle Simpson

Seconder: PCC Susan Sangster

Item #3: Whereas the Constitution Article V1, Section 3(e) and (f) and the By-Laws Article II, Section 8 allows for the regional/zone chairperson position to be filled by election within the region/zone but for which there is no election procedure stipulated:

Motion: District N 1 By-Laws - Article II, Section 8 – Append the following language to the end of the current Section:

In the event of an election for the position of region/zone chairperson, balloting shall be handled as per Article II, Section 4 of these By-Laws with the voting delegates being the Presidents and Secretaries of the clubs within the region for the position of regional chairperson (if the position is utilized during the district governor's term) or within the zone for the position of zone chairperson.

Mover: Lion Peter Gallant

Secunder: Lion Lionel Vautour

These are the motions that will be voted on during the District Convention.

Applications for District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor , 2nd Vice District Governor and Cabinet Treasurer which can be found online at <https://www.e-district.org/sites/n1/page-9.php> go to the Nominations Chair – Lion Jim Belliveau

Applications/interest for District positions for the 2020-2021 Lions year should be submitted to 1st VDG Paul Gauthier.

Applications for Zone Chair should be submitted to your sitting Zone Chair for election at your Zone meeting, normal voting rules apply – that of President and Secretary of each club in that Zone.

PCC Paul Cousins announced that the President of the Kensington Lions Club has had a stroke and is in hospital.

DG Soucie announced he had received the Membership Chevrons for only the 3 Maine Clubs.

DG Lloyd contacted PID Rod who made a telephone call and guess what... DG Lloyd received another package of the 3 Clubs in Maine. A second call was made and he finally received the Canadian Clubs. If there are any Zone Chairs here to take them to their Zones, please do so.

There are positions available at the Multiple District level. www.lcimdn.org

Check application for deadlines – these all begin July 1, 2020 and end June 30 2023

Global Membership Chair,

Global Service Chair,

Budget and Audit,

MD N Youth Services Chair

Long Range Planning

DG Lloyd asked for the support of the Lions of District N 1 to run for Council Chair. Moved by VDG Paul we support DG Lloyd. Seconded by PDG Boyd Sangster **MC**

There is no new Business.

Get your Registrations in for Convention. Guaranteed you will have a good time. Everything is being held onsite at the Presque Isle Inn and Convention Center.

Conventions –

N 1 Convention will be in Presque Isle, ME April-17/19, 2020. Fort Kent will host the Meet and Greet MDN Spring Convention in Fredericton, NB May 15/17

PDG Denzil sent his apologies for not attending and sent in a Pop Tab report – Report attached.

PCC Brennan reminded everyone of the Riverview on their 60th Charter being held March 14, 2020. Their 93 year old Charter President will be in attendance. There will also be the most recent service Dog from the Lions Foundation Dog Guides.

The Basket donated by Lion Ed Evans was won by ???

Moved by PCC Stewart PCC Sonny. **MC** Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time (Atlantic)</u>
February 15, 2020	ABC of Lions (tentative)	Riverview Lions Club	
February 16, 2020	Cabinet Meeting	Riverview Lions Club	Zone Chair 9:30/PDGA 9:30/Cabinet 11:00
April 17 – 19, 2020	N 1 Annual Convention	Presque Isle Inn & Convention Center, Maine	
May 15– 17, 2020	MDN Spring Conference	Fredericton, NB	

Please Note: The ticket was drawn for the basket but the name was not auditable on the tape. Please let me know so I can correct my minutes